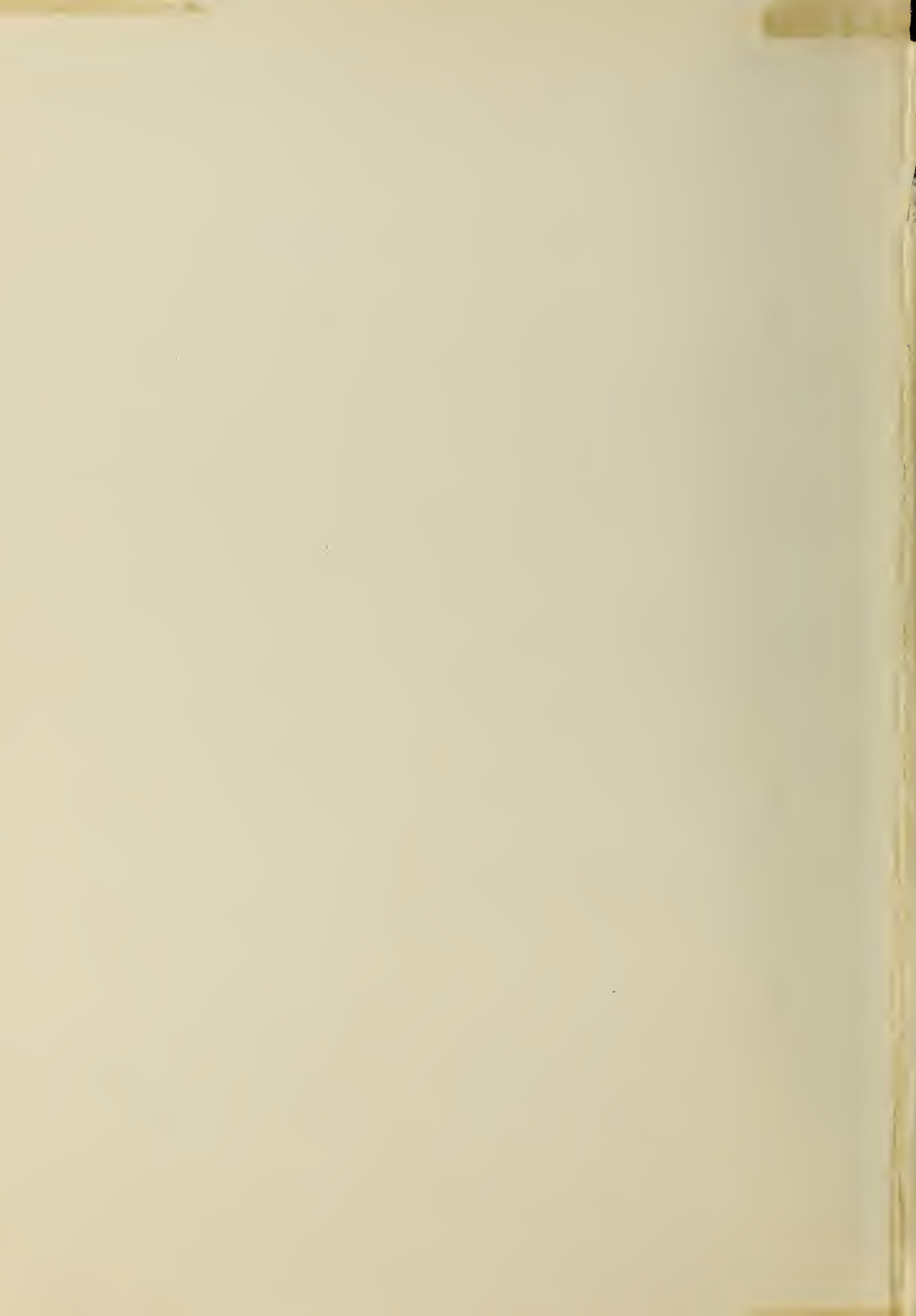
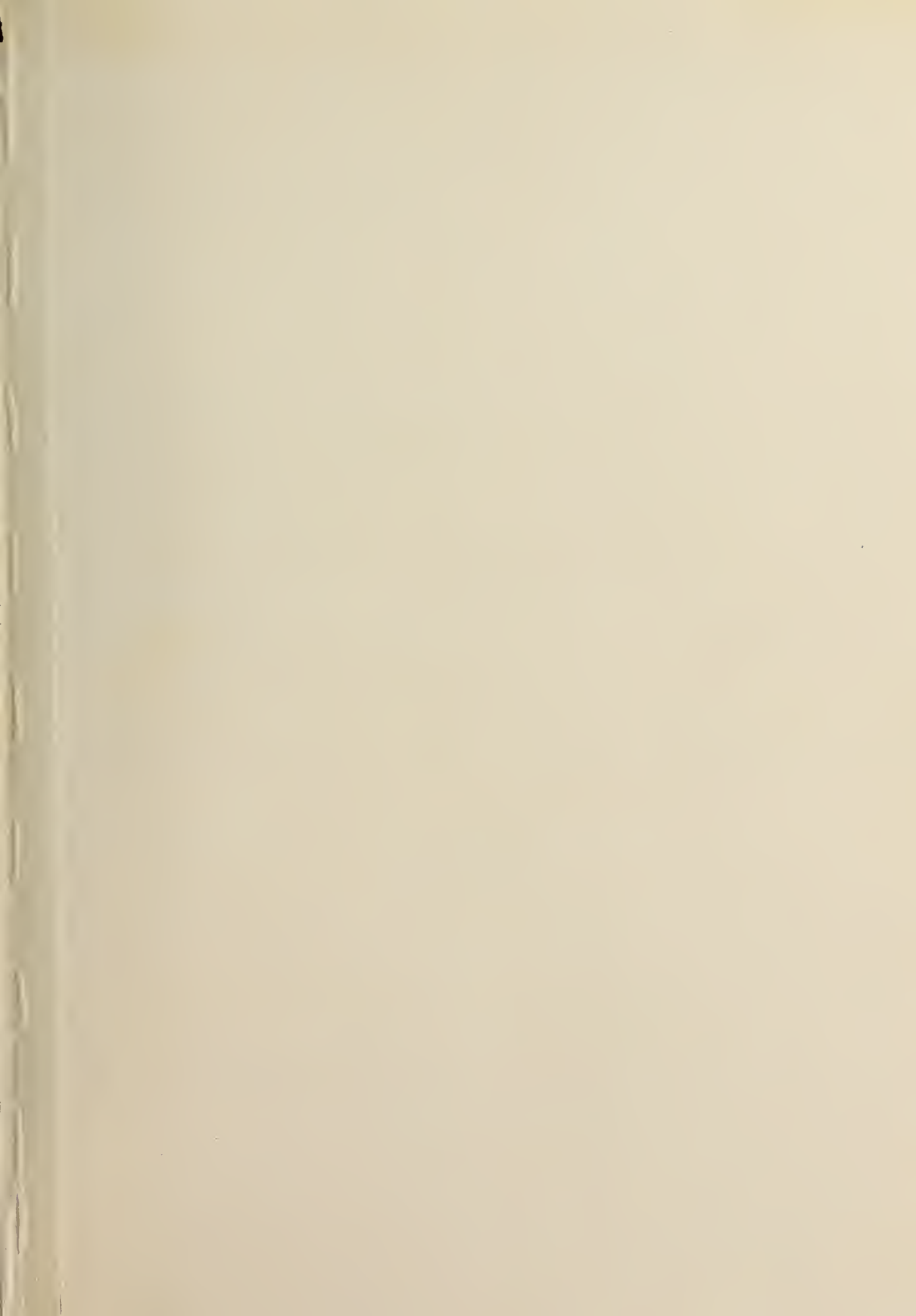


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CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

INAUGURAL EXERCISES.

Symphony Hall, Boston, Mass.
Monday, January 7, 1952.

The ceremonies attending the inauguration of Mayor-elect John B. Hynes, the City Councilors-elect, and the School Committee Members-elect of the City of Boston were held in Symphony Hall at ten o'clock a.m., when the Mayor-elect, the members-elect of the Council, and the members-elect of the School Committee entered the hall in a procession headed by City Clerk Walter J. Malloy and City Messenger William J. O'Donnell to the strains of an inaugural march, "Triumphal March from Aida," by Verdi. They took seats on the platform, and the meeting was called to order by City Clerk Malloy, who said:

Ladies and gentlemen, as City Clerk of the City of Boston, I now officially open these inaugural ceremonies. The principal purpose of these exercises is the taking of the oath of office by the Mayor-elect, the members-elect of the City Council, and the members-elect of the School Committee.

Incidentally, may I state that once again this occasion gives me distinct personal pleasure, as Mayor-elect Hynes was my predecessor as City Clerk.

I now have the pleasure to introduce The Boston Teachers College Music Club who will sing "The Star-Spangled Banner."

"The Star-Spangled Banner" was then sung by The Boston Teachers College Music Club.

City Clerk MALLOY—I now most respectfully present His Excellency, the Most Reverend Richard J. Cushing, Archbishop of Boston, who will give the invocation.

Archbishop RICHARD J. CUSHING—In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost, Amen. Direct all our actions to carry them out by Thy gracious assistance that every thought and word and deed of ours may begin always from Thee and be happily ended, through Christ our Lord, Amen.

Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. Amen.

City Clerk MALLOY read a communication from the Board of Election Commissioners certifying the election of John B. Hynes as Mayor.

The oath of office was administered to Mayor-elect John B. Hynes by the Honorable Stanley E. Qua, Chief Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court of Massachusetts.

City Clerk MALLOY read a communication from the Board of Election Commissioners certifying the election of members of the City Council as follows:

Gabriel Francis Piemonte.
William F. Hurley.
William J. Foley, Jr.
Michael J. Ward.
Francis X. Ahearn.
John E. Kerigan.
Frederick C. Hailer, Jr.
Joseph C. White.
Francis X. Joyce.

A roll of the members-elect of the City Council was called by City Clerk Malloy, and as each arose and announced his presence he was greeted with applause. It appearing that all were present the oath of office was administered to them by his Honor, Mayor John B. Hynes.

City Clerk MALLOY read a communication from the Board of Election Commissioners certifying the election of five members of the School Committee as follows:

William F. Carr.
Alice Lyons.
Isadore H. Y. Muchnick.
Patrick J. Foley.
Mary K. Fitzgerald.

A roll of the members-elect of the School Committee was called by City Clerk Malloy, and as each arose and announced his or her presence they were greeted with applause. It appearing that all were present the oath of office was administered to them by his Honor, Mayor John B. Hynes.

City Clerk MALLOY—I now most respectfully present Dr. Israel J. Kazis, Rabbi of Temple Mishkan Tefila, who will give prayer.

Rabbi KAZIS—Heavenly Father, bestow Thy blessings, we pray, upon the man whose fellow citizens have honored him by electing him to the highest office in our city. Sustain him with strength to fulfill the arduous tasks and the rigorous demands which his duties will require of him. Inspire him with vision and understanding in the conduct of the affairs of state so that his deliberations may be carried on with wisdom and his decisions made with good judgment.

Strengthen within his soul the zeal and the determination to pursue justice and righteousness with high courage and unflinching vigor. Bless him as Thou did Solomon of old with a wise and understanding heart which shall ever be sensitive to the needs and the well-being of his fellow men. Keep strengthening his faith in Thee, and illumine his mind to see clearly Thy eternal truths by whose light he may walk humbly and with comfort in the years that lie ahead.

Grant that blessing, O Lord, to all those who assume the responsibilities of office in this administration. Strengthen them in their resolve to uphold the hands of the Mayor, and crown with success their common effort to secure justice and righteous government.

We pray that our great city with deep roots in old and honorable traditions shall go forward from strength to strength in the service of the ideals of democracy which are so dear to the inhabitants of our land.

May we all be inspired so to live and so to act that our country under Thy providence shall ever be an influence for good throughout the world, uniting men in peace and freedom to help to fulfill the vision of Thy prophet Isaiah: "They shall beat their swords into ploughshares, and their spears into pruning hooks. Nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more." Amen.

City Clerk MALLOY—I now have the pleasure of again presenting The Boston Teachers College Music Club who will sing "Like as a Father" and "America the Beautiful."

The Boston Teachers College Music Club then sang "Like as a Father" and "America the Beautiful." (Applause.)

City Clerk MALLOY—The inaugural address will now be delivered by the Honorable John B. Hynes, Mayor of Boston.

INAUGURAL ADDRESS OF HONORABLE JOHN B. HYNES.

In this inaugural address, marking the start of my full four-year term, I shall not attempt to recount, in any detail, the efforts, the activities, or the accomplishments of the city administration during the past two years. Those years have passed into history, never to return.

Let it suffice for me to state that during those two years our city government has moved steadily forward—not with giant, awe-inspiring strides, but with even and progressive cadence.

The record of the past twenty-four months shows a general improvement in all the services and functions of the city. It shows an impartial exercise of the executive power and authority. It shows unrelaxing efforts to fulfill our obligations in every sphere in which the city government has responsibility or influence.

In general summation of the years 1950 and 1951, it can be reported fairly that the pressing and acute problems of the city have been met with understanding and vigor; the basic, chronic problems have been attacked with patience and perseverance.

Today, we begin a new chapter in the history of our city. The changes in the city charter, as voted by the people, have become effective. Beginning this day our city will be operated under the Plan A form of municipal government.

While this plan of government is not radically different from that set forth in our former charter, and while the fields of responsibility and authority of the Mayor and the City Council remain practi-

cally unchanged, I nevertheless join with our citizens in the hope that the effect of the new plan of government will be a further improvement in the conduct of our city's affairs.

As we start our deliberations, our activities, and our planning under the new charter, let me observe that, despite the progress made during the past two years in strengthening Boston's financial standing and reducing its debt, the financial condition of our city still remains its most vexatious, worrisome, and difficult problem.

In the discharge of our duties during the past two years, and in the planning of every necessary improvement and activity, the financial burden imposed on the city was a primary consideration. Necessarily, it must continue to be of primary importance in the years immediately ahead.

Our present tax base is narrow. In consequence, the owners of real estate bear the heaviest portion of municipal expenditures. Rising costs, the result of inflation, increase this burden, and no brighter prospect is in view until such time as the tax base of the city is broadened.

The federal government and the state government both meet increased costs of operations by instituting new taxes or increasing old taxes. For the same reason, public utility corporations seek, and usually obtain, higher rates for service rendered. Your city government, however, with its limited power to tax, can only resort to an increase in the tax rate.

Lacking any new and substantial source of income, and faced with ever-increasing costs of operations, it is extremely unlikely that relief can be given to the taxpayers of Boston by way of a lower rate. Indeed, it appears that the force of circumstances beyond our control will neutralize, or make completely unavailing, even our most heroic efforts to stay the upward trend in the tax rate.

It is obvious, therefore, as we consider the financial state of our city, that every present and future activity must be viewed and weighed with relation to the pocketbook of the taxpayer, and with relation to its effect upon our financial status. No new commitments or obligations will be made calling for large expenditure of funds, unless the purpose therefor is clearly for the immediate good of the city.

It will be necessary, consequently, to defer all but the most essential improvements. It also will be necessary to withhold approval of other proposals which would increase the operating and maintenance costs of the city. All administrative expenses, including those for personnel, must be held to the barest possible minimum.

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The main problems of our city, all of which have an effect upon its financial standing, are as follows:

1. The inflationary costs of operating and maintaining city services.
2. The continuing process of decentralization.
3. The inadequate revenue base.
4. The traffic and parking situation.
5. The cost of mass transportation.
6. The housing shortage.

With respect to the unwelcome bugaboo of inflationary costs, we shall try to control our expenditures so that a very disturbing situation shall not be made worse. Within our limits we shall fight inflation. It is the duty of higher branches of government to control it.

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With respect to decentralization, may I say that the movement of business and residents to areas beyond the city's boundaries is a source of deep concern to almost every urban center in the United States. It may yet prove to be the greatest challenge to our resourcefulness. If continued, it undoubtedly will cause a revision in the concept of the place our urban centers occupy in the American economic system. Decentralization is a specter of frightening men to the older and larger cities of America.

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With respect to the inadequate revenue base, our city, among other cities in the Commonwealth, must now rely for approximately three fourths of its operating revenues on receipts from the real estate tax. This heavy reliance on one source of revenue is neither desirable, nor is it equitable. Corrective measures can only be secured with the approval of the Legislature, or by constitutional amendment. I have been privileged to examine

a preliminary draft of a report under consideration by the Special Commission on Taxation on the subject of "State and Local Fiscal Relations." The program outlined in this report is intended to lessen the burden on real estate. It is to be hoped that this program, when submitted to the Legislature, will furnish a basis for broadening the present restricted municipal revenue base. I strongly urge that the Legislature give this acute problem of our cities prompt and helpful action.

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With respect to traffic congestion and parking facilities, it is gratifying to report that the state government, recognizing that traffic improvements which by-pass or ignore urban centers fall short of their objectives, has embarked on a program which, when completed, will give encouragement to those who transact business in our city. The new Storrow Highway, an undertaking deserving of general commendation, the improvements at Sullivan Square, the new overpass at Forest Hills, and the Arterial Highway through our city should, in combination with other projects launched by the city government itself, prove to be not only stopgaps to further decentralization, but also cornerstones upon which we can build a better and greater city.

Our present parking facilities are sadly inadequate. It is our hope that world conditions will shortly make it possible to go forward with the building of six off-street parking garages in the downtown area, now delayed in construction because of federal limitations on the use of steel. We fully realize the gravity of the lack of sufficient parking facilities in our downtown area. We shall correct this situation just as quickly as materials are available. In the meantime, we shall proceed as rapidly as possible with the laying out of parking spaces with meters in those local shopping centers which now have insufficient facilities to care for the automobile trade.

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With respect to mass transportation, it is beyond argument that no urban center can thrive or even exist without a transportation system which provides not only adequate, but rapid and economical service for the great urban and suburban populations.

The more general use of the automobile has cut deeply into the receipts of mass transportation systems in all parts of the United States. The future well-being of every large city in America depends, to some degree, on the stability of its transportation system, and on its ability to meet satisfactorily the requirements of the riding public at a reasonable rate of fare.

The problems of the MTA are deep-seated. A continuing rise in costs of operation on one hand and a declining income on the other combine to aggravate these problems. Despite a fifteen-cent fare the road is losing money, and the prospect is that it will suffer even heavier losses in 1952 than in 1951.

Its deficit for the twelve months just ended will be in the neighborhood of \$5,500,000. Under the law Boston must pay close to \$3,500,000 of that loss. This amount must be assessed on the taxpayers of Boston in our 1952 tax levy and will add approximately \$2.25 to our tax rate. Paying for this 1951 deficit, plus the installment on a loan floated to meet the old deficit for 1948 and the first seven months of 1949, will require about \$3.00 in our tax rate this year.

It is almost unnecessary to point out, therefore, that mass transportation has become a most serious problem of the city government. We cannot long continue to write off in our tax rate so great an expense for a public service which is not a part, and which is completely beyond the scope, of our municipal government. Certainly, the City of Boston, troubled with other acute problems, should not be forced to shoulder the brunt of this problem, especially since it is one that goes to the very roots of the economic health of the entire metropolitan area, extending well beyond even the present boundaries of the MTA district.

There is no easy or simple solution to this problem, but the time is here when the full value of the MTA system to the present fourteen cities and towns of the metropolitan district should be re-surveyed. Such a study also should ascertain the actual service of the MTA to other cities and towns which, although not actually in the district covered by the MTA, benefit from the availability of transportation provided by the system.

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With respect to shortages in housing accommodations, important and substantial advances have been made by this administration toward overcoming this social and economic problem. When the program now under way is completed, it should provide enough additional living accommodations to break the back of the shortage of shelter for families in moderate circumstances.

Our next step in this field will be the urban redevelopment of blighted or substandard areas in our city. We contemplate a program which will make it possible for private enterprise to join with municipal and federal governments in the rehabilitation of run-down sections, which now have an injurious effect on contiguous areas.

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While the problems I have just discussed, however briefly, are the chief causes of our concern and anxiety, there are other matters—many and varied matters—which, both singly and collectively, affect the efficient and economical conduct of the city's business.

To mention, even in passing, all of them would require considerably more discussion, and would, undoubtedly, strain your patience beyond endurance.

There are, however, a few observations which should fittingly be made at this time.

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It has been apparent for a number of years, if not for a score of years, that the system of assessing valuations on real property in our city has left much to be desired.

This administration has attempted, with moderate success, to bring some order out of a very complex and chaotic situation. Much remains to be done, however, before we can point to an assessment picture which is reasonably harmonious, and reasonably fair and just.

It might well be—and this will be a subject of serious discussion during this year—that a complete reassessment should be made of every piece of real property in our city. It might well be, too, that this reassessment should be undertaken by the officials of our Assessing Department, in conjunction with impartial local experts, employed for this specific purpose. I think it will be admitted by all careful observers that only by some such procedure can we get on a firm basis with respect to our assessing methods and practices.

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It also has become apparent in recent years that our present zoning law, enacted in 1924, is in need of revision. To this end, I am directing the Boston Planning Board to make a study of this matter and to prepare the proper recommendations.

Since the zoning law went into effect, close to thirty years ago, our city has changed in many material respects. Even at this time, it is undergoing a series of extensive alterations in its topography. Not only do these changes suggest new zoning lines, but in some instances, as, for example, the Back Bay area, they call for the removal of outdated restrictions which seriously hamper the growth of the city. Unquestionably, zoning changes are in order in those sections of Boston which have changed face with the passage of time. Because of its narrow boundaries, and until such time as the hope of a Greater Boston becomes an actuality, Boston must capitalize to the fullest extent on the potentialities for growth and development within its present limits. To make the most of our possibilities, and to encourage venture capital to invest in the future of our city, it is logical, even imperative, that sweeping changes be made in the present zoning law.

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The relations between the government of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the government of the municipality of Boston have been, for the past two years, most encouraging, and have, consequently, been productive of beneficial results for both branches of government. I am hopeful that these good relations will continue.

The legislative arm of the state government has been, on the whole, most considerate of Boston, and has given our city and its problems a degree of nonpartisan attention which is both comforting and heartening. This is especially significant because, for a long period of years, the City of Boston found it most difficult to obtain legislative cooperation in the solution of its municipal problems.

I especially wish to congratulate the Legislature for the passage, during the recent session, of a bill giving to cities in the Commonwealth a greater measure of self-determination. Undoubtedly, this modified home-rule law is a step in the right di-

rection, for it indicates that the Legislature has a growing regard for the capacity of our cities to manage their own internal affairs. A further broadening of this delegation of power will, I am certain, shorten the sessions of the Legislature by relieving it of the annual consideration of a multitude of purely local, so-called housekeeping bills which, by every measurement, should be the primary concern and responsibility of city officials.

I am confident that municipalities will exercise with restraint and wisdom the greater power conferred by the Legislature.

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The necessity for a civilian defense program which will both educate our people and protect us, as much as possible, from the horrible results of an atomic air attack, is admitted by all. It is most difficult, however, here in Boston and in other large cities, to enlist sufficient active volunteer workers who can intelligently direct and help, if such an attack should come. I am confident, however, that we shall have no dearth of volunteers should world conditions worsen.

In the meantime, we are making, in conjunction with the state government, all necessary plans dealing with the problems of evacuation, hospitalization, medical, surgical, and food supplies, and necessary equipment.

You may be certain that our plans for adequate defense are in the stage of readiness. When equipment now on order arrives, and subject to the approval of the State Director of Civilian Defense, we shall have an all-out test alert. Pending that occasion, we shall most gratefully accept the offers of additional volunteers to serve in civilian defense. Federal civil defense authorities estimate that casualties as a result of an atomic bombing can be reduced by 50 per cent if a target area is well organized. The more volunteers we have in our civil defense program, the greater will be our chances for survival in the event of attack.

CONCLUSION.

The city government is a vast organization, made up of many component parts and given life and vitality by its many thousands of employees.

Its justification for existence is to serve all the people in our city; to protect their lives and property; to guard their health; to provide medical and surgical care; to educate our children; to assist the unfortunate and needy; to enter into activities, recreational and otherwise, which make it worth while for men and women to band together in a mutual, beneficial society, which we call a city.

As the administrator of its myriad functions, my continued purpose in the next four years will be to improve our municipal government, and thereby improve the lot of the people within our borders.

With the means at hand, we shall do our best to make Boston a better place in which to live—a better place in which to work out our individual destinies.

In this objective we ask for the continued cooperation of our civic agencies, our journals, and our outlets for the dissemination of information and news; and the cooperation of other arms of government of a higher level.

We ask also for the continued good will, understanding, and patience of the people of Boston.

In return, we give our assurance to do at all times that which is best for our city, and best for all our people, and to conduct their municipal business in an honorable manner.

Finally, let me say that Boston, our city, is by no means descending into the Limbo of great cities of the past. We are going through a period of transformation. When it passes, Boston will be a greater city than it is today.

We are the center of a great metropolitan area, a healthy, prosperous, growing, forward-looking area. One day, and perhaps not too far off, we shall be the core of a metropolitan type of government, which will enure to the long-time benefit of the whole metropolitan community.

With the strong, unselfish help of the new City Council and the School Committee, composed, as these bodies are, of men and women with appropriate training, with knowledge, with experience, and with a fresh outlook upon municipal affairs, we shall go forward, realizing always, that being of common clay, we need the constant guidance of Him on high.

May God be with us in all our deliberations and actions. May He help and inspire us to do His will—to be good and faithful public servants. (Prolonged applause.)

City Clerk MALLOY—It is my pleasure to present Al Bandera and his orchestra who will play "L'Estudiantina" and "Dreams of Erin." The orchestra here played "L'Estudiantina" and "Dreams of Erin." (Applause.)

City Clerk MALLOY—I now most respectfully present the Reverend Robert G. Metters, Rector of Emmanuel Church of Boston, who will deliver the benediction.

Reverend ROBERT G. METTERS—O God of all power and might, the Maker and Ruler of men, we commend our city for guidance and wisdom unto the keeping of Thy love. May the officers whom Thy people chose to serve them, serve Thee in honesty, firm purpose, and uprightness of life. May they never forget their answerableness to Thee and the people whom they serve. Deliver them from the love of power and motives of personal gain, from consideration of men or money in place of the demands of truth and justice, and losing patriotism in partisanship. Bless them in their various offices with an ever larger vision of truth and an ever deeper sense of the demands of righteousness that through their faithfulness the life of our city and its people may be guided by wise policies and lifted to higher ideals and nobler achievements, through Christ our Lord.

May God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Ghost bless, preserve and keep you. May He look upon you and fill you with spiritual benediction and grace, giving you such strength and power as to make it possible to serve us daily in this life as in the world to come. Amen.

City Clerk MALLOY—These exercises will now close with the playing of the Recessional March.

The Recessional March was played as the Mayor and his suite left the stage at 11.05 A.M.

Monday, January 7, 1952.

First meeting of the City Council of 1952 was called to order in the Council Chamber, City Hall, by Councillor Hurley, senior member, at 12.30 P.M.

A roll call showed that all members were present, as follows: Francis X. Ahearn, William J. Foley, Jr., Frederick C. Hailer, Jr., William F. Hurley, Francis X. Joyce, John E. Kerrigan, Gabriel Francis Piemonte, Michael J. Ward, Joseph C. White.

The Reverend Father James Doyle, Pastor of St. Patrick's Roman Catholic Church of Roxbury, and Reverend Father Jeremiah F. Moriarty of St. Thomas Aquinas Roman Catholic Church of Jamaica Plain were escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY REVEREND FATHER JAMES DOYLE.

O Almighty God, Lord and Father of all men we ask Thy blessing on this new day which we are about to consecrate to Thy service. We are mindful of the frailty and weakness of our mortal selves; yet we know that Thy strength will support us and that by Thy Divine Providence even our faltering efforts will be turned to the realization of our loftiest hopes and to the glorification of Thy Holy Name. Today's world presents the troubled scene of nation struggling against nation, of selfishness and greed prevailing over honest devotion to the ideals of human society. We are made to live with one another, to work for one another, to rest in the enjoyment of our common effort. Do Thou create in those who meet in this deliberative session a deep sense of their responsibility to Thee, from Whom all human authority proceeds and in Whom all earthly power finds its right to function. Help them to see in one another not adversaries to be conquered but loyal fellow workers in the service of this great city. Help them to see in the great body of citizens whom they represent not a seething mass of defenseless subjects, but the structure and expression of the society which Thou hast ordained for the preservation of our human dignity. O God of mercy, look with compassion on our faults. O God of justice, turn our thoughts to the execution of Thy commands. O God of peace, stir up in us the honest effort which will lead to victory over the forces of evil and to the everlasting triumph of Thy Law. God of our Fathers, be Thou our God, the daily inspiration of our lives, our never-failing comfort in trial and adversity, Who livest and reignest forever and ever. Amen.

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:

Robert Santis, 40 Lorna road, Mattapan, Weigher of Coal, for term ending April 30, 1952.
William G. McDonald, 32 Chestnut street, Malden, Weigher of Goods, for term ending April 30, 1952.

Severally referred to the Committee on Confirmations when appointed.

LOAN IN ANTICIPATION OF REVENUE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 7, 1952.
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 1952 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,
JOHN B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Auditing Department, January 7, 1952.
Hon. John B. Hynes,
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. This method of financing is made necessary by the fact that under the Massachusetts municipal tax calendar the bulk of the city's revenue receipts is received late in the year.

Under existing law, the city could issue in 1952 in anticipation of revenue receipts temporary notes in the approximate amount of \$110,000,000. In the light of the experiences of recent years, however, it is felt that an authorization of \$60,000,000 will satisfy current year's requirements. 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 1952, 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 order was given its first reading and passage, yeas 9.

Yeas — Councillors Ahearn, Foley, Hailer, Hurley, Joyce, Kerrigan, Piemonte, Ward, White.

The order was assigned to the next meeting for final action.

MONTHLY DEDUCTIONS FOR TEACHERS' RETIREMENT FUND.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 7, 1952.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:
Included in the measures which I submitted to the Legislature for consideration at the current

session is a bill concerning the deductions of certain contributions from salaries of members of the Teachers' Retirement Fund of the City of Boston. Under existing law, deductions of three dollars are made every other month from the salaries of teachers belonging to the Boston Teachers' Retirement Fund. These deductions represent the teachers' contribution to such fund, and in the aggregate represent eighteen dollars per year.

The bill makes no change in the aggregate annual amount of these contributions, but provides that deductions shall be made on a monthly basis of one dollar and fifty cents. This bill, if enacted, will permit uniform monthly payroll deductions, insofar as this item is concerned. Under the provisions of Joint Rule 7B of the Legislature, a measure of this character cannot be admitted for consideration by the Legislature unless approved by the Mayor and City Council.

I submit herewith a resolve to meet this requirement and respectfully recommend its adoption by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Resolved, That the petition of Mayor John B. Hynes for legislation concerning the retention of certain contributions from the salaries of members of the Teachers' Retirement Fund in the City of Boston be, and hereby is, approved.

Referred to the Executive Committee when appointed.

ANNUAL ACTUARIAL VALUATION OF PERMANENT SCHOOL PENSION FUND.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 7, 1952.

To the City Council,
Gentlemen:

Included in the measures which I have submitted to the Legislature for consideration at the current session is a bill providing for an annual actuarial valuation of the Permanent School Pension Fund of the city. It is common practice to actuarially value each year the assets and liabilities of pension funds. This has never been done, however, with respect to one of the earliest of these funds, the Permanent School Pension Fund of the City of Boston.

All parties of interest are agreed that the proposal contained in this bill should be adopted. Under the provisions of Joint Rule 7B of the Legislature, a measure of this character cannot be admitted for consideration by the Legislature unless approved by the Mayor and City Council.

I submit herewith a resolve to meet this requirement and respectfully recommend its adoption by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Resolved, That the petition of Mayor John B. Hynes for legislation providing for an annual actuarial valuation of the Permanent School Pension Fund of the City of Boston be, and hereby is, approved.

Referred to the Executive Committee when appointed.

APPOINTMENT OF JAMES G. MURPHY.

Notice was received from the Health Department of appointment of James G. Murphy, 3546 Washington street, Jamaica Plain, as inspector of housing and sanitation (provisional) at \$52.95 per week, effective January 4, 1952, and continuing for six months.

Placed on file.

REFERENCE OF UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That all matters of unfinished business referred to this City Council by the preceding City Council be hereby referred to the appropriate committees when appointed.

The order was passed.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

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

Executive.

Petition of Mary A. Cross, to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, Charles E. Cross, late member of the Fire Department.

Petition of Nellie A. Gallishaw, to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, Abraham P. Gallishaw, late member of the Police Department.

Petition of Catherine M. Maloney, to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, Thomas E. Maloney, late member of the Fire Department.

APPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That all the members of the Council compose a temporary Executive Committee, the chairman to be designated by the presiding officer; said chairman to serve until permanent committees are appointed.

The order was passed.

ADOPTION OF TEMPORARY RULES.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the rules of the City Council of 1951 be adopted as temporary rules of this Council until permanent rules are adopted, with the following changes and exceptions:

Rule 2. Strike out the word "twelve" and insert the word "five."

Rule 8. Strike out the word "three" and insert the word "two."

Rule 14. Eliminate the entire rule.

Rule 25. Eliminate the entire rule.

Rule 35. Eliminate the entire rule.

The order was passed.

PREPARATION OF MUNICIPAL REGISTER, ETC.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Statistics Department be authorized, under the direction of the Committee on Rules, to prepare and have printed the Municipal Register for the current year; and that the Clerk of Committees be authorized to prepare and have printed a pocket edition of the Organization of the City Government; the expense of said register and organization to be charged to the appropriation for City Documents.

The order was passed.

TEMPORARY EMPLOYEES OF CITY COUNCIL.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the temporary help employed in the City Council be retained until the Council is organized.

The order was passed.

On motion of Councilor Ward the foregoing vote was reconsidered.

On further motion of Councilor Ward the order was referred to the Executive Committee.

BALLOT FOR PRESIDENT.

On motion of Councilor Ward the Council voted to proceed to the election of a President for the municipal year 1952. The roll was called with the following result:

For Francis X. Joyce—Councilors Ahearn, Hailer—2.

For William J. Foley, Jr.—Councilors Foley, Hurley—2.

For Frederick C. Hailer, Jr.—Councilor Joyce—1.

For John E. Kerrigan—Councilor Kerrigan—1.
For Gabriel Francis Piemonte—Councilor White—1.

For Michael J. Ward—Councilor Ward—1.
For Joseph C. White—Councilor Piemonte—1.

— and there was no choice.

On motion of Councilor White that the Council adjourn, the motion was lost.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor Hailer, the Council voted at 1.04 P.M. to take a recess until 3 P.M. The members reassembled in the Council Chamber at 3.19 P.M. and were called to order by Chairman HURLEY.

BALLOT FOR PRESIDENT.

On motion of Councilor White the Council voted to proceed to ballot for election of President for the municipal year 1952:

The roll was called with the following result:

For Francis X. Joyce—Councilors Ahearn, Hailer, Joyce, Piemonte—4.

For William J. Foley, Jr.—Councilors Foley, Hurley—2.

For John E. Kerrigan—Councilor Kerrigan—1.

For Michael J. Ward—Councilor Ward—1.

For Gabriel Francis Piemonte—Councilor White—1.

— and there was no choice.

JURORS DRAWN.

The following jurors were drawn in the manner prescribed by law, Mayor Hynes presiding at the box, viz.:

Sixty-one traverse jurors, Superior Criminal Court, to appear February 4, 1952.

Louis Aceto, Ward 1; Albert A. Adams, Ward 1; James John Danna, Ward 1; Joseph A. Pedro, Ward 1; Arthur Saia, Ward 1; James P. Frizzell, Ward 2; Joseph F. Scalli, Ward 2; Neal F. Dolan, Jr., Ward 4; George Donovan, Ward 4; John H. Greene, Ward 4; George J. Ibbetson, Ward 4; Charles E. Monroe, Ward 4; Phillip Rosen, Ward 4; Flora Allen Bryant, Ward 5; Jeffrey Geedcak, Ward 5; Russell A. Greaves, Ward 5; Francis P. Mullen, Ward 5; Maurice F. Rahilly, Ward 5; Maurice Spiegel, Ward 5; Francis T. Feeney, Ward 6; James E. Roemer, Ward 6; Albert J. Sullivan, Ward 6; Joseph Venesia, Ward 6.

Charles L. Donaghue, Ward 7; Raymond Veno, Ward 7; Alfred V. Campbell, Ward 8; James H. Lucas, Ward 8; Francis L. Sergi, Ward 8; Theodore H. Mason, Ward 10; John J. McBrearty, Ward 10; Gerard L. White, Ward 10; Charles F. Wehner, Ward 11; John D. Malone, Ward 12; Samuel Palmer, Ward 12; William J. Barber, Ward 14; Mark H. Collins, Ward 15; Charles W. Litch, Ward 15; William H. Becker, Ward 16; Charles J. Murphy, Ward 16; Robert J. Cann, Ward 17; Samuel Cohen, Ward 17; Herbert N. Meissner, Ward 17; Benjamin Rosenthal, Ward 17; Rocco DelSignore, Ward 18; George R. Egar, Ward 18; Kenneth Harris, Ward 18; Felix Parillo, Ward 18; Lloyd P. Burton, Ward 19; John J. Chlothey, Ward 19; Joseph J. Devine, Ward 19; James G. Grinham, Ward 19; Bertil H. Gustafson, Ward 19; Robert C. Swan, Ward 19; Donald W. Flinn, Ward 20; Andrew A. Gravalese, Ward 20; Albert E. Holland, Ward 20; Francis H. Toohill, Ward 20; William E. FitzGerald, Ward 21; Edward T. Byrne, Ward 22; Maurice H. Kaufman, Ward 22; Donald J. Kelley, Ward 22.

The following jurors were drawn in the manner prescribed by law, Councilor Ahearn presiding at the box in the absence of the Mayor, viz.:

One hundred forty-eight traverse jurors, Superior Civil Court, to appear February 4, 1952:

Frank W. Briana, Ward 1; Adelaide Campagna, Ward 1; Joseph D. Constantino, Ward 1; Louis DiStacio, Ward 1; Angelo Grasso, Ward 1; Robert J. Lee, Ward 1; George McRae, Ward 1; William Marmorale, Ward 1; James Mirisola, Ward 1; Edward J. Riley, Ward 1; Edna M. Ross, Ward 1; Carl Sozio, Ward 1; Albert L. Allen, Ward 2; Dominic T. D'Avolio, Ward 2; Frederick D. Higgins, Ward 2; John F. Woods, Ward 2; Caroline Esposito, Ward 3; Harold O. Forsman, Ward 3; William W. Yallen, Ward 3; Paul H. Kelly, Ward 4; John R. MacKinnon, Ward 4; William B. Sexton, Ward 4.

Donald F. Cuddyer, Ward 5; Carl N. Freeman, Ward 5; James J. Gordon, Ward 5; Howard I. Hine, Ward 5; Joseph J. Keilty, Ward 5; Thomas Lyman, Ward 5; Donald Munson, Ward 5; Carl H. Johnson, Ward 6; John A. Kiley, Ward 6; Christine McDonough, Ward 6; Gertrude E. Ryan, Ward 6; James F. Maloney, Ward 7; Matthew J. Nest, Ward 7; William Clifford, Ward 8; Albert M.

Dalton, Ward 8; John A. Fay, Ward 8; John L. Havey, Ward 8; George Hubert Hill, Ward 8; Charles E. McCuen, Ward 8; James J. Ryan, Ward 8; Philip Dyer, Ward 9; William H. Ghodey, Ward 9; Maxwell H. Reardon, Ward 9; Jack Taylor, Ward 9.

Andrew P. Clifford, Ward 10; John J. Donovan, Ward 10; Edward Julius Wollent, Ward 10; Edmund A. Woodlock, Ward 10; Benjamin Figur, Ward 11; Thomas P. Glynn, Ward 11; Thomas A. J. Hession, Ward 11; Mort J. Judson, Ward 11; Dennis F. Keating, Ward 11; John J. Plunkett, Ward 11; Anna L. Rehm, Ward 11; Leo Stier, Ward 11; Leonard Tipping, Jr., Ward 11; Elliott Benjamin, Ward 12; Nathan Blacker, Ward 12; Lindsay E. Hiltz, Ward 12; Frederick William Layne, Ward 12; Myer E. Levinson, Ward 12; Jack Robinson, Ward 12.

Bernard Columbo, Ward 13; Carl Sorin, Ward 13; Oscar I. Arriek, Ward 14; Philip M. Belgard, Ward 14; Philip Cohen, Ward 14; John J. Donovan, Ward 14; Mitchell Finkelstein, Ward 14; Frank Perlmutter, Ward 14; Edward M. Phillips, Ward 14; Sadie Rosegartin, Ward 14; Samuel M. Rosen, Ward 14; Henry Sidman, Ward 14; Laurence P. Valentine, Ward 14; Herbert W. Bancroft, Ward 15; James F. Cuning, Ward 15; William F. Curry, Ward 15; James E. DesRoche, Ward 15; Charles S. Donnelly, Ward 15; James R. Kirven, Ward 15; Edmund L. Lamb, Ward 15; James H. Murphy, Ward 15; John J. O'Connor, Jr., Ward 15; John Penbroke, Ward 15; Clayton C. Settino, Ward 15.

Walter R. Egersheim, Ward 16; John W. Hutcheson, Ward 16; William J. Mitchell, Jr., Ward 16; Christopher J. Scully, Ward 16; John J. Sullivan, Ward 16; Carter P. Trotter, Ward 16; Ernest S. Baxter, Ward 17; James F. Broderick, Ward 17; Thomas E. Cummings, Ward 17; James F. Doherty, Ward 17; James William Haesler, Ward 17; Paul H. Kelleher, Ward 17; Joseph C. O'Hara, Ward 17; Joseph S. Trifiro, Ward 17; Raymond F. White, Ward 17; Carolyn V. Forbes, Ward 18; Arthur J. Goduti, Ward 18; Philip J. Kirchner, Ward 18; Evelyn McGee, Ward 18; Hugh L. Moran, Ward 18; John J. Neelon, Ward 18; Henry R. Williams, Ward 18; Walter L. Buote, Ward 19; Edward S. Carroll, Ward 19; William J. DeCourcy, Ward 19; Richard J. Haverty, Jr., Ward 19; Cyril J. Johns, Ward 19; Chauncey L. True, Ward 19.

Raymond P. Coyle, Ward 20; Charles W. Fennessey, Ward 20; William E. Fermoyle, Ward 20; Fred E. Nylon, Ward 20; George Irwin, Ward 20; Alexander McNeil, Ward 20; Percy W. Baker, Ward 21; Benjamin A. Berkall, Ward 21; Charles M. Cochrane, Ward 21; John J. Coleran, Ward 21; Ernest A. Cook, Ward 21; Jacob M. Daum, Ward 21; Richard M. Donahoe, Ward 21; Abraham Granoff, Ward 21; Louis Green, Ward 21; Maxwell Greenstein, Ward 21; Axel George Larson, Ward 21; Charles S. McCarthy, Ward 21; Harold H. Matt, Ward 21; Samuel Mushkin, Ward 21; Charles E. Proctor, Ward 21; George McDonald Searle, Ward 21; Robert J. Sherman, Ward 21; John E. Casey, Ward 22; Edward J. Cotter, Ward 22; Margaret E. Gibbons, Ward 22; John T. Kerry, Ward 22; Charles C. Lamb, Ward 22; John T. McCarthy, Ward 22; Martin F. O'Connor, Ward 22; Frank T. Riley, Ward 22.

BALLOT FOR PRESIDENT.

On motion of Councilor Piemonte the Council voted to proceed to ballot for election of President for the municipal year 1952:

The roll was called with the following result:

For Francis X. Joyce—Councilors Ahearn, Hailer, Joyce—3.

For William J. Foley, Jr.—Councilors Foley, Hurley—2.

For Gabriel Francis Piemonte—Councilors Ward, White—2.

For John E. Kerrigan—Councilor Kerrigan—1.

For Joseph C. White—Councilor Piemonte—1.
— and there was no choice.

Adjourned at 3.58 P.M., on motion of Councilor Ward, to meet on Monday, January 14, 1952, 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 14, 1952.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., Councillor WHITE, senior member, presiding. Absent, Councillor Hurley.

The Reverend Thomas Herlihy, S. J., pastor of St. Ignatius Catholic Church, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY REV. THOMAS
HERLIHY, S. J.

In the beginning of the year, it is only fitting that we should offer thanks to Almighty God.

We give Thee thanks, Almighty God, who livest and reignest world without end. Amen. And in a world looking for guidance we should follow the dictates of God from the beginning of the world, to work for peace, to offer atonement for our faults, and to offer thanks to Almighty God for all that He has done for us, and now the prayer of our Lord Himself:

Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.

God bless you, gentlemen.

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 with authority to serve civil process upon filing of bond, for term ending April 30, 1952: Morton L. Bardfield, 4 Brinsley street, Dorchester.

Weigher of Coal, for term ending April 30, 1952: William D. Fitzgerald, 1638 Commonwealth avenue, Brighton.

Weighers of Goods, for term ending April 30, 1952: Harold E. Olsen, 34 Business street, Hyde Park; Emanuel C. Mello, 40 G street, South Boston; Timothy J. Donovan, 21 Carson street, Dorchester; Ernest Mello, 40 G street, South Boston.

Severally referred to the Committee on Confirmations, when appointed.

APPOINTMENT OF JOHN CARROLL.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, January 14, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

Under the provisions of section 26L of the Housing Authority law of the Commonwealth (as inserted in chapter 121 of the General Laws and as most recently amended by chapter 688 of the Acts of 1949), I hereby appoint John Carroll of 17 Elmira street, Brighton, to be a member of the Boston Housing Authority for the term expiring January 8, 1957.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Ordered, That the appointment by his Honor the Mayor of John Carroll to be a member of the Boston Housing Authority for the term expiring January 8, 1957, be, and hereby is, confirmed and approved.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

REPLACEMENT OF EXISTING GAS
LAMPS BY ELECTRICITY.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, January 7, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of December 3, 1951, concerning the request for the replacement of all the existing gas lamps with electric lights, and, if this is not possible, for a bond issue to be authorized in a sum sufficient to cover 100 per cent replacement.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,

Public Works Department,

January 4, 1952.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,

Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Mr. Shannon:

This is in reference to the following order that was passed in the City Council under date of December 3, 1951:

"Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to include in his budget a sum sufficient to replace all the existing gas lamps with electric lights, and, if this is not possible, for a bond issue to be authorized in a sum sufficient to cover 100 per cent replacement."

This department is very desirous of removing all existing gas lamps that are located in the streets of this city and replacing them with modern, up-to-date electric lights. In fact, in the past two years we have undertaken the largest program of this kind in the history of the city.

During the current year I am hopeful that we shall be able to remove a substantial number of gas lamps, but I do not feel that it would be physically possible to replace all of them, due to the inadequacy of street-lighting facilities in some of the streets of this city where gas lamps are located, and also because of the difficulty that the Boston Edison Company is encountering in obtaining sufficient replacement parts necessary to provide for the installation of the electric street lights that are being substituted for the gas lamps.

Respectfully yours,

GEORGE G. HYLAND,

Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

INCREASED WATTAGE FOR STREET
LIGHTING.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, January 7, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of December 3, 1951, concerning the request that a sum be included in the budget to increase the wattage of electric light bulbs now used in street lighting to 150 watts in order to provide adequate lighting.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,

Public Works Department,

January 4, 1952.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,

Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Mr. Shannon:

This is in reference to the following order that was passed in the City Council under date of December 3, 1951:

"Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to include in his budget a sum sufficient to increase the wattage of electric light bulbs now used in street lighting to 150 watts in order to provide adequate lighting."

I think that it would be most desirable for the city to undertake a street-lighting modernization program, which, in general, would increase the intensity of the lights on residential streets. However, such a program must be spread over a period of years, because of the large cost involved.

In fact, during the current year we are faced with an increase in the electric street-lighting rates of approximately \$125,000 as the result of an order that was passed by the D.P.U. last year, and which became effective on January 1 of this year.

The department recognizes that many of the residential streets in this city—and also many of the main arteries—are inadequately lighted, and we shall, therefore, do everything within reason to improve the street-lighting conditions consistent with our budgetary appropriations.

Respectfully yours,

GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

PEDESTRIAN UNDERPASS OR OVERPASS, WARD 19.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, January 9, 1952.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of January 3, 1952, concerning the request for the construction of a pedestrian underpass or overpass in the vicinity of the Archdale Road Housing Project which will connect Washington street with Hyde Park avenue, Ward 19.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
January 7, 1952.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Mr. Shannon:

This is in reference to the following order that was passed in the City Council under date of January 3:

"Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to construct a pedestrian underpass or overpass in the vicinity of the Archdale Road Housing Project which will connect Washington street with Hyde Park avenue, Ward 19."

It is the intention of this department—in conjunction with the Boston Planning Board—to consider the advisability of constructing a pedestrian underpass or overpass in the area referred to in the above-referenced order. Before a final determination is made concerning the feasibility and practicability of installing an underpass or overpass as requested, I feel that it would be desirable to wait until the housing project is completely occupied. We shall then be in a better position to determine the necessity of providing for pedestrian access between the housing project and Hyde Park avenue.

Respectfully yours,

GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

BETTER LIGHTING ON WASHINGTON STREET, WARD 17.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, January 9, 1952.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of January 3, 1952, concerning the request to study the feasibility of placing more electric lights along Washington street, from Bowdoin street to Talbot avenue, and also to study the feasibility of increasing the voltage of these lights.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
January 7, 1952.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Mr. Shannon:

This is in reference to the following order that was passed in the City Council under date of January 3;

"Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to study the feasibility of placing more electric lights along Washington street, from Bowdoin street to Talbot avenue, and also to study the feasibility of increasing the voltage of these lights so that fewer lives will be lost on this hazardous highway."

During the current year, it is our intention to provide for the modernization and improvement of our street lighting system, with the cooperation of the Boston Edison Company, and consistent with our budgetary appropriations.

A study will be made to determine what main arteries and residential streets should be included in the current year's modernization program, and steps will be taken, therefore, to include the above-referenced section of Washington street in our study.

Respectfully yours,

GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR NURSING HOMES.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, January 7, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Building Commissioner relative to your order of December 17, 1951, concerning the request that a plan be worked out, by various departments, whereby the nursing homes will conform with all the rules and regulations without duplicating expenses.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Building Department,
January 2, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes,

Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

In answer to the order of the City Council dated December 17, 1951, permit me to say that this department is presently engaged in conjunction with the State Department of Public Safety in a survey of all boarding and convalescent homes in the city.

Arrangements have been made to integrate our requirements with those of the state so that there will be no conflict in orders given.

Ample time, consistent with public safety, will be given to the operators of these homes to meet the requirements. It is our present intention to set December 31, 1952, as the final date for compliance.

Very truly yours,

HARRY KEEFE,
Building Commissioner.

Placed on file.

REMOVAL OF TREES, WARD 17.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, January 11, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Chairman of the Park Department relative to your order of January 3, 1952, concerning the request for the removal of all the trees from Bowdoin street to Talbot avenue on Washington street, Ward 17.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,

Park Department, January 10, 1952.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a memo from your office with attached enclosure, City Council order from Councilor Farin asking for the removal of all trees from Bowdoin street to Talbot avenue on Washington street.

The councilor claims that the trees place the lives of pedestrians in jeopardy because of the dark shadows they cast over the road.

We will have an inspection made of the territory by our general foreman of the Tree Division.

Very truly yours,

FRANK R. KELLEY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

RESCISSION OF ORDER RE CONVEYANCE OF LAND TO JAMES J. COLLINS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, January 14, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

On December 16, 1949, the City of Boston acquired by eminent domain various parcels of land in East Boston for the purpose of removing thereto dwellings within the location of the recently completed East Boston Rapid Transit Extension. The relocation project was accomplished without using certain of these parcels. The former owners of the unused parcels indicated a desire to regain their respective lands; and by orders passed by the City Council once on October 9, 1950, and again on October 23, 1950, reconveyances of the parcels were authorized.

Reconveyances have been consummated with the exception of the land of James J. Collins at 62 Homer street, East Boston. When reconveyance to Mr. Collins became possible, it was too late for him to use the land for the purpose for which he had acquired it; and so, as was his right, he elected to seek monetary damage rather than to accept the return of his land. In the circumstances, the record should be clarified by a rescission of the vote authorizing the reconveyance to Mr. Collins. Transmitted herewith is an order for that purpose. Its early adoption is recommended.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Whereas, No conveyance has been made under the order passed by the City Council once on October 9, 1950, and again on October 23, 1950, and approved by the Mayor on October 24, 1950, whereby his Honor the Mayor was authorized in the name and behalf of the City of Boston to convey to James J. Collins, by a deed in form satisfactory to the Corporation Counsel, at a minimum price of one dollar (\$1), and a release by said James J. Collins of all claims against the City of Boston and the Metropolitan Transit Authority for damages arising from a certain eminent domain taking, all right, title, and interest of the City of Boston in and to the land shown as Parcel IX on plan by J. A. Berrigan, designing engineer, and Arthur V. Lynch, engineer of subways, dated December 16, 1949, entitled "City of Boston, by Metropolitan Transit Authority, Agent—Plan of Land in the East Boston District—Harmony, Milton, Moore, Horace, Homer Streets and Barnes Avenue," and recorded with Suffolk Deeds, Book 6570, page 382; and

Whereas, There is reason to believe that no conveyance will ever be made under said order; now, therefore, it is hereby

Ordered, That said order be, and the same hereby is, rescinded.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

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

Claims.

Josephine Amoral, for compensation for loss of clothing at City Hospital.

Frederick W. Apel, for compensation for damage to car by fire truck.

Nicholas DiFronzo, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Charles E. Dolan, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Thomas E. Donahue, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Police Department.

Daniel Flood, for compensation for damage to car by fire truck.

Bob Gerstel, to be reimbursed for amusement license paid twice.

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

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

John F. X. Joyce, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect in Columbia road.

George Lewis, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Vincent Masciulli, for compensation for damage to car by city car.

Elaine M. McCarthy, to be reimbursed for expenses incurred in repairing broken water pipe at 37 Hill Top street, Dorchester.

John McDonald, for compensation for damage to property at 7 Cherokee street, caused by street lighting department.

Anna A. McGrath, for compensation for damage to property at 103 Greater road, West Roxbury, caused by defective sewer.

Joseph A. Merithew, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him on account of his acts as employee of Paving Division.

Edward J. Schofield, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him on account of his acts as employee of Police Department.

Bernard Sherman, for compensation for injuries caused by city truck.

George and Benjamin Swartz, for compensation for injuries and damage to property by city truck.

Frank Trovato, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

David Gallis, for compensation for damage to property caused by city motor vehicle.

Licenses.

Petition of 20th Century Billiard Company, 1231-1241 Hyde Park avenue, Ward 18, to operate bowling alleys on the Lord's day.

NOTICE OF HEARING BEFORE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held on January 31 at 10 A.M. on petition of I. N. Doe and W. H. Clifford for rehearing of its order, D.P.U. 9389, for authority to increase freight rates and charges, including certain charges in connection with passenger service, on less than statutory notice of 30 days.

Placed on file.

APPROVAL OF SURETY BONDS.

The surety bonds of the following were received: Leo J. Sullivan, Register of Deeds; Joseph D. Coughlin, First Assistant Register of Deeds; John J. Mahoney, Second Assistant Register of Deeds; Daniel Danick, Fourth Assistant Register of Deeds; Jacob M. Levenson, Technical Assistant Register of Deeds.

The bonds were severally approved.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMISSION RE CITY PLANNING BOARD.

The following was received:

The Finance Commission of the City of Boston, January 10, 1952.

Hon. Paul R. Achin,

Chairman, Special Recess Commission.

(Appointed under the Provisions of Chapter 55, Resolves of 1951.)

Gentlemen:

The Finance Commission of the City of Boston presents to you herewith its views on a bill before you which relates to the organization, powers, and duties of the City Planning Board of Boston. These views should be of considerable significance because the effort which produced the bill stemmed from the Finance Commission reports on city planning in the Commission's Administrative Survey of 1949. Moreover, the Commission has made repeated efforts for several years to obtain

a much more significant setting for the Planning Board in the administrative organization of the City of Boston.

However, the Commission feels strongly that, in providing for the Planning Board in the general scheme of administration, the best possible over-all administrative structure should be kept in mind. The planning function should be correlated to the other units of that structure. In the over-all survey above referred to, experts employed by the Finance Commission studied, first, the planning situation by itself, and then fitted its duties and responsibilities into proper niches in a proposed organizational structure. The main purpose of this proposal was to promote efficiency and economy in the municipal administration.

The Commission is in entire sympathy with any effort which may be made to elevate "the planning function" to its proper place in the administrative organization of the City of Boston. The lack of proper planning has repeatedly resulted in waste of municipal funds and undesirable directions in the physical development of the city. Waste is bound to follow from failure to plan properly and comprehensively when municipal needs require expansion of facilities or extension of service. The city in the past has usually followed the policy of "one thing at a time." Rarely has consideration been given in the accomplishment of that "one thing" to its relation to and its effect on other needs and proposals. In other words, it has not always looked ahead.

A central planning authority is an admitted necessity in any such agency as the City of Boston. It should be the clearing house for the study and determination of all plans for physical construction suggested for the improvement or enlargement of the city's facilities as well as for the physical development of the city. In short, it should be the principal arm of the mayor in the sifting of proposals for construction by the various departments of the city. It was for such purposes that the Legislature in 1913 enacted a general statute authorizing municipalities to establish city planning boards.

Boston took advantage of that enabling act and created its own City Planning Board in 1914; but this arm of the city government has rarely been given the encouragement, the facilities, or the consideration which it was intended it should have. Despite the persistency of its work and its many valuable contributions to planning for Boston, it has been for the most part ignored by mayors and department heads when the time came to determine what construction should be authorized and where.

However, the Finance Commission feels that the adoption of this proposed mandatory statute is not the proper way to correct this deficiency. The organization of the Planning Board and the allocation of the planning duties should remain with the municipal authorities.

First of all, this proposal is a further invasion of home rule. It is doing exactly what the Mayor and others have complained of during many years, but notably in recent times—the interference by the Legislature in matters which properly belong to the city government of Boston.

Secondly, it is in conflict with the Mayor's motive in his bill (H. 798) which was filed with the Legislature this year to give him, or to give the Mayor and Council, authority to organize and reorganize as he, or they, think proper. This authority, if granted, will make real progress possible in the better administration of municipal affairs. On the other hand, crystallization of the Planning Board in a specific form will limit the scope of reorganization.

Thirdly, it brings one more municipal department into the administrative field, since it takes some administrative duties away from the Street Laying-Out Department and gives them to the Planning Board, which previously has been intended to be a creative planning and advisory board.

Finally, it is unnecessary to adopt any new statute to obtain the intended benefits. They can be obtained under present authority. In fact, two of the five declared aims of the proposed act—the preparation of a "Master Plan" for the city, and the preparation of a "Capital Budget"—have already been accomplished, and "Mandatory Referral" to the Planning Board for all proposals for construction needs only a mayoralty directive to be accomplished. Of the remaining two aims, the first—the vesting in the Planning Board of the subdivision control in the opening

of new tracts—should go, as was recommended by the Finance Commission in its over-all administrative survey report, to a planning division in a central engineering department; and the second—giving to the Planning Board power to make studies of the resources and needs of the city and the metropolitan area—already exists. In fact, these studies with regard to Boston have been made; the scope of such studies may be extended any time now as the Mayor directs.

In short, the proposed legislation in the act before you is, in the opinion of the Finance Commission, first, unnecessary; secondly, it is inconsistent with a much more important principle in Boston government which is now recognized by the Mayor and will shortly be advocated before the Legislature—making the Mayor the actual Director of Administration in fact as well as in name.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD F. MULLEN, Chairman,
LEO J. DUNN,
FREDERICK DEANE,
JOSEPH K. COLLINS,
EDWARD U. LEE,

The Finance Commission.

ROBERT E. CUNNIFF,
Secretary.

Placed on file.

APPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY CHAIRMAN OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Chairman WHITE appointed Councilor Ward as temporary chairman of the Executive Committee.

LOAN IN ANTICIPATION OF REVENUE.

Chairman WHITE called up, under unfinished business, No. 1 on the Calendar, viz.:

1. Order for temporary loan of \$60,000,000 in anticipation of taxes.

On January 7, 1952, the foregoing order was read once and passed, yeas 9.

On motion of Councilor Ahearn the order was referred to the Executive Committee.

REOPENING OF STATE-BOSTON RETIREMENT SYSTEM.

Coun. WARD offered the following:

Resolved, That the City Council of Boston hereby favors legislation to temporarily reopen State-Boston Retirement System to admit present members of the Boston Retirement System; provided that such legislation includes a referendum to the Mayor and City Council.

On motion of Councilor Ahearn the resolution was referred to the Executive Committee.

PARKING PRIVILEGES FOR PARAPLEGIC VETERANS.

Coun. WARD offered the following:

Ordered, That the paraplegic veterans of World War I, World War II, and the Korean hostilities, certified by the Veterans Administration as being the result of service-connected injuries, or such veterans who are in receipt of a paraplegic automobile grant or paraplegic home grant, shall have exclusive parking privileges in front of their homes or places of business and that such areas shall be so marked by the Traffic Commissioner, and that the Police Department shall be notified of such marked areas.

The order was passed.

USE OF TUNNEL FREE LANE FOR PARAPLEGIC VETERANS.

Coun. WARD offered the following:

Ordered, That all cars bearing "V" number plates, which denote paraplegic veterans, be allowed to use the free lane when traveling through the Sunner Tunnel.

On motion of Councilor Ahearn the order was referred to the Executive Committee.

LIST OF CITY'S TEMPORARY EMPLOYEES.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:
 Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to instruct all heads of departments of the City of Boston and other subagencies to prepare and submit for the Council a detailed list of temporary employes in their respective departments as of January 7, 1952.
 On motion of Councilor Ahearn the order was referred to the Executive Committee.

PREPARATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF CITY.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:
 Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor cause to have prepared and transmitted at the earliest convenience to the Council a financial statement of the City of Boston as of January 1, 1952.
 The order was passed.

BALLOT FOR PRESIDENT.

On motion of Councilor Hailer the Council voted to proceed to the election of a President for the municipal year 1952. The roll was called with the following result:
 For Francis X. Joyce—Councilors Ahearn, Hailer, Joyce—3.
 For William F. Foley, Jr.—Councilors Foley, Ward—2.
 For John E. Kerrigan—Councilor Kerrigan—1.
 For Gabriel F. Piemonte—Councilor White—1.
 For Joseph C. White—Councilor Piemonte—1.
 —and there was no choice.

RECESS.

On motion of Councilor Hailer the Council voted at 2.30 P.M. to take a recess for the purpose of looking over the floor space of the Council rooms and to decide on the type of rearrangement the members wished. The members reassembled and were called to order by Chairman WHITE at 2.45 P.M.
 On motion of Councilor Ahearn the Council voted at 2.46 P.M. to take a recess for the purpose of going into executive session. The members reassembled and were called to order by Chairman WHITE at 4.30 P.M.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Coun. WARD, for the Executive Committee, submitted the following:
 1. Report on message of the Mayor and resolution (referred January 7) favoring legislation for the retention of certain contributions from salaries of members of the Teachers' Retirement Fund—that same ought to pass.
 The report was accepted and the resolution was adopted.
 2. Report on message of the Mayor and resolution (referred January 7) favoring legislation providing for an annual actuarial valuation of the Permanent School Pension Fund of the City of Boston—that same ought to pass.
 The report was accepted, and the resolution was adopted.
 3. Report on order (referred today) that all cars bearing "V" number plates, denoting para-

plegic veterans, be allowed to use free lane in Sumner Tunnel—that same ought to pass.
 The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

4. Report on resolution (referred today) that Council favors legislation to temporarily reopen the State-Boston Retirement System to admit present members of the Boston Retirement System—that same ought to pass.
 The report was accepted, and the resolution was adopted.

5. Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred today) for temporary loan of \$60,000,000 in anticipation of taxes—that same ought to pass.
 The report was accepted, and the order was given its second reading and passage, yeas 8, nays 0: Yeas—Councilors Ahearn, Foley, Hailer, Joyce, Kerrigan, Piemonte, Ward, White—8.
 Nays—0.

6. Report on order (referred today) that the Mayor instruct heads of departments and other subagencies to prepare and submit list of temporary employes as of January 7, 1952, and length of time such temporary employes have been employed—recommending passage of the order in the following new draft:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to instruct all heads of departments of the City of Boston and other subagencies to prepare and submit to the Council a detailed list of temporary employes in their respective departments as of January 7, 1952, and the length of time such temporary employes have been so employed, with the date of expiration of such temporary employment.
 The report was accepted, and the order in the new draft was passed.

VISIT TO LONG ISLAND HOSPITAL.

Chairman WHITE read a communication from the Commissioner of Institutions of the City of Boston extending an invitation to the members of the City Council to visit Long Island Hospital on Thursday, January 31, 1952. The members of the Council accepted the invitation.

BALLOT FOR PRESIDENT.

On motion of Councilor Hailer the Council voted to proceed to the election of a President for the municipal year 1952. The roll was called with the following result:
 For Frederick C. Hailer, Jr.—Councilors Ahearn, Hailer—2.
 For John E. Kerrigan—Councilors Kerrigan, Ward—2.
 For Gabriel F. Piemonte—Councilors Joyce, White—2.
 For William J. Foley, Jr.—Councilor Foley—1.
 For Joseph C. White—Councilor Piemonte—1.
 —and there was no choice.

Adjourned at 4.55 P.M. on motion of Councilor Foley, to meet on Monday, January 21, 1952, 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, January 18, 1952.

Special meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 11 o'clock A.M., Councillor WHITE, Senior Member, presiding. Absent, Councillors Foley and Hurley.

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, January 16, 1952.

A special meeting of the City Council will be held in its Chamber, City Hall, on Friday, January 18, 1952, at 11 o'clock A.M.

By order of the court.

W. J. MALLOY, City Clerk.

Subject: To draw jurors.

Placed on file.

JURORS DRAWN.

Grand jurors were drawn in the manner prescribed by law, Councillor Joyce presiding at the box in the absence of the Mayor:

Five additional grand jurors, Superior Criminal Court, to appear February 4, 1952:

Edward Jerome, Ward 4; Albert Lewis, Ward 21; William H. Manning, Ward 22; Patrick J. Scannell, Ward 22; Stanley J. Stanowicz, Ward 22.

The purpose for which the meeting was called having been accomplished, Chairman WHITE declared the meeting adjourned at 11.10 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.

Monday, January 21, 1952.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., Councillor WHITE, senior member, in the chair. Absent, Councillor Hurley.

Monsignor Harry M. O'Connor, pastor of St. Augustine's Catholic Church, South Boston, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY MONSIGNOR

HARRY M. O'CONNOR.

O God of wisdom, of mercy, of justice, and charity, we beg of Thee guidance for those who are to deliberate here this day, that under Thy direction they may lead us for Your glory, for the well-being of this, our beloved city, and for the welfare of all our citizens. With Thy Holy Spirit, enfold them and direct their works that what they say may contribute to the happiness and the well-being of all who are members of this great metropolitan city. Guide their deliberations this day and every day that their every word, thought, and deed may redound to Thy glory and to the glory of our beloved city, and to the peace and happiness and well-being of every citizen.

Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the flag.

TRANSFER OF LAND AT 11 WAREHAM STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, January 21, 1952.

To the Honorable City Council.

Gentlemen:

The Fire Commissioner of the City of Boston has determined that the land and building located at 11 Wareham street, which was formerly occupied by the Fire Alarm Division Construction Shops and Storeroom, is no longer required for the purposes of the Fire Department, and has so notified your Honorable Body.

I therefore transmit herewith an order transferring the land and building at 11 Wareham street to the care, custody, management, and control of the Chairman, Board of Real Estate Commissioners, as provided for by St. 1951, c. 159, and recommend the adoption by your Honorable Body of said order.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,

Fire Department, December 10, 1951.

Honorable members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:

In accordance with chapter 159 of the Acts of 1951, the Fire Department desires to dispose of the building and land located at 11 Wareham street, Boston, which was formerly occupied by the Fire Alarm Division Construction Shops and Storeroom, inasmuch as said land and building are no longer required for Fire Department purposes.

Respectfully yours,

MICHAEL T. KELLEHER,
Fire Commissioner.

Whereas, The City of Boston is the owner in fee of a certain parcel of land, together with the

building thereon, situated on the southwesterly side of Wareham street, and being numbered 11 Wareham street, Boston Proper, and held by said city for Fire Department purposes; and

Whereas, The Fire Commissioner of the City of Boston has determined that the said land, which has ceased to be used for said purposes, is no longer required for said purposes and has notified the City Council of his determination; now, therefore, it is hereby

Ordered, That the care, custody, management, and control of the land hereinafter described be, and the same hereby is, transferred to the Chairman of the Board of Real Estate Commissioners. Said parcel of land is bounded and described as follows:

Southwesterly by Wareham street, fifty (50) feet; southeasterly by land now or formerly of Frank L. Whitcomb, one hundred seventy (170) feet; southwesterly by Plympton street, fifty (50) feet; northwesterly by a 12-foot passageway, one hundred seventy (170) feet; containing eighty-five hundred (8,500) square feet of land, more or less.

The above-described parcel of land is shown on a plan marked, "City of Boston, Wareham Street and Plympton Street, Boston Proper, November 26, 1910, F. A. McInnes, Acting Chief Engineer, Street Laying-Out Department."

Referred to the Executive Committee.

TRANSFER OF LAND ON BRISTOL STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, January 21, 1952.

To the Honorable City Council.

Gentlemen:

The Fire Commissioner of the City of Boston has determined that the land and buildings located at 60 and 70 Bristol street, which were formerly occupied as Fire Department Headquarters Maintenance Division Building and Drill Yard, are no longer required for Fire Department purposes, and has so notified your Honorable Body.

It is my opinion that this property should be transferred to the Board of Real Estate Commissioners for lease or sale for private commercial purposes, since it can serve no useful public purpose. I therefore transmit and recommend for your adoption the accompanying order transferring the care, custody, control, and management of the Fire Department properties at Bristol street to the Chairman, Board of Real Estate Commissioners, in accordance with the provisions of St. 1951, c. 159.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Whereas, The City of Boston is the owner in fee of a certain parcel of land situated on the northerly side of Bristol street and held by said city for Fire Department purposes; and

Whereas, The Fire Commissioner of the City of Boston has determined that the said land, which has ceased to be used for said purposes, is no longer required for said purposes and has notified the City Council of his determination; now, therefore, it is hereby

Ordered, That the care, custody, management, and control of the land hereinafter described be, and the same hereby is, transferred to the Chairman of the Board of Real Estate Commissioners. Said parcel of land is bounded and described as follows:

Southerly by Bristol street, two hundred ninety-four and 84-100 (294.84) feet; westerly by land now or formerly of the Home Savings Bank, sixteen and 60-100 (16.60) feet; southerly by land now or formerly of the Home Savings Bank, four (4) feet; westerly by land now or formerly of the Home Savings Bank, four (4) feet; southerly by land now or formerly of the Home Savings Bank, four (4) feet; westerly by land now or formerly of the Home Savings Bank, sixty-one and 40-100 (61.40) feet; northerly by Public Alley No. 717, seventy-one and 94-100 (71.94) feet; westerly by Public Alley No. 717, four (4) feet; northerly by Public Alley No. 717, two hundred twenty and 90-100 (220.90) feet; easterly by the westerly line of Albany street, seventy (70) feet; containing

approximately twenty thousand nine hundred forty-five (20,945) square feet.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

SALE OF PORTION OF FRANKLIN FIELD TO BOSTON HOUSING AUTHORITY.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, January 21, 1952.

To the Honorable City Council.
Gentlemen:

The Boston Housing Authority proposes to construct a state-aided project at Franklin Field, Dorchester. The project will consist of 504 dwelling units and will be erected at the site presently occupied by the temporary project. It is estimated that the cost of the new project will be approximately \$6,000,000 over and above the cost of land acquisition.

At a meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners held on the sixth day of December, 1951, it was unanimously voted that the land is no longer required for park and playground purposes, and I transmit herewith a communication from Frank R. Kelley, Chairman of the Board of Park Commissioners, notifying your Honorable Body of this determination.

I therefore transmit the accompanying order whereby the City of Boston may sell to the Boston Housing Authority approximately 1,210,492 square feet of land, being a portion of Franklin Field, and earnestly recommend the adoption of said order in order that this most desirable project may be accomplished.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,

Park Department, December 10, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hynes,

Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

At a meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners of the City of Boston held on the sixth day of December, 1951, all members being present, it was unanimously voted that it be, and hereby is, determined to be the opinion of this Board that the land hereinafter described is no longer required for public purposes, to wit:

Approximately one million two hundred ten thousand four hundred ninety-two (1,210,492) square feet of land, being a portion of the estate known as Franklin Field, shown on a plan entitled, "City of Boston, Franklin Field, Stratton street, Dorchester, James W. Haley, Chief Engineer, Street Laying-Out Department."

It was further voted that the chairman be, and he hereby is, authorized and directed to notify the City Council of the City of Boston on behalf of the Board that in the opinion of the Board said land is no longer required for public purposes and that the Board recommends the sale of said land to the Boston Housing Authority for the sum of \$165,750.

Respectfully yours,

FRANK R. KELLEY, Chairman.

Whereas, The City of Boston is the owner in fee of approximately one million two hundred ten thousand four hundred ninety-two (1,210,492) square feet of land situated on the northwesterly side of Stratton street, Dorchester district of the City of Boston, being a portion of the estate known as "Franklin Field," held by said city for park and playground purposes; and

Whereas, The said parcel of land is no longer required for any municipal purpose; now, therefore, it is hereby

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor of the City of Boston be, and he hereby is, authorized to sell at private sale to the Boston Housing Authority for the minimum price of one hundred and sixty-five thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars (\$165,750) the said parcel of land hereinafter more fully described and to execute and deliver to the Boston Housing Authority an instrument in writing satisfactory in form to the Corporation Counsel of the City of Boston, conveying the City of Boston's right, title, and interest in and to said parcel of land. Said parcel of land is bounded and described as follows:

A certain parcel of land, being a portion of the estate known as "Franklin Field," situated on the northwesterly side of Stratton street, Dorchester district of the City of Boston:

Southeasterly by Stratton street, by five (5) dimensions, eleven hundred forty-one and 98-100 (1,141.98) feet, fifty and 25-100 (30.25) feet, two hundred sixty-four and 29-100 (264.29) feet, one hundred seventy-nine and 19-100 (179.19) feet; and one hundred twelve and 29-100 (112.29) feet; westerly by the easterly line of Stratton street, forty and 74-100 (40.74) feet; southerly by land of William N. Freeman, and land of Rosie Kastel, and land of William F. and Alice M. Sullivan, and land of Annie A. Sullivan, and land of Maurice and Pauline Kaufman, and land of Rosie Chasin, and land of William G., Margaret E., Elizabeth M. McInnis and William T. and Frances G. Desmond and Alice M. VanArsdale, and land of Jacob and Anna Goldstein, and land of William J. and Gertrude B. Ross, and land of Joseph and Dora Lebrovitz and Isadore and Jeannette Silverstein, and land of Ernest E. and Grace E. McClenathan, by ten (10) dimensions, one hundred twenty-four and 25-100 (124.25) feet, thirty-one and 9-100 (31.09) feet, thirty-five and 1-100 (35.01) feet, seventy (70) feet, fifty and 43-100 (50.43) feet, forty-nine and 4-100 (49.04) feet, fifty and 1-100 (50.01) feet, thirty-nine and 1-100 (39.01) feet, thirty-eight and 1-100 (38.01) feet, nine and 94-100 (9.94) feet; westerly by land of Boston Catholic Cemetery Association and land of William F. and Helen M. Steele and by the easterly line of Tonset street, by fourteen (14) dimensions, twenty-two and 13-100 (22.13) feet, thirteen and 9-100 (13.09) feet, fifteen and 96-100 (15.96) feet, nineteen and 23-100 (19.23) feet, nineteen and 77-100 (19.77) feet, thirty-four and 45-100 (34.45) feet, fourteen and 80-100 (14.80) feet, sixty-one (61) feet, seventy-six (76) feet, two hundred forty-one and 67-100 (241.67) feet, one hundred fifteen (115) feet, one hundred thirty-one and 40-100 (131.40) feet, one hundred twelve and 16-100 (112.16) feet, forty-five and 12-100 (45.12) feet; northerly by land of the City of Boston (Franklin Field), by nine (9) dimensions, nine and 73-100 (9.73) feet, fifty-seven and 3-100 (57.03) feet, two hundred twenty-nine and 5-100 (229.53) feet, six hundred sixty-four and 69-100 (664.69) feet, ninety-four and 83-100 (94.83) feet, three hundred sixty-two and 81-100 (362.81) feet, two hundred thirty-nine and 64-100 (239.64) feet, four hundred eighty-five and 91-100 (485.91) feet, twenty-three and 19-100 (23.19) feet; containing approximately one million two hundred ten thousand four hundred ninety-two (1,210,492) square feet.

The above-described parcel of land, together with the location and dimensions thereof, is shown on a plan marked, "City of Boston, Franklin Field, Stratton Street, Dorchester, November 26, 1951, 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.

John Blake, for reimbursement as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Sanitary Division.

Lillian Chase, for compensation for damage to property at 94 Essex street, caused by break in water pipe.

Mrs. Paul Curley, for compensation for damage to property at 3 Van Winkle street, Dorchester, caused by backing up of sewage.

Decelle, Inc., for compensation for damage to property at 188 1/2 Centre street, West Roxbury, caused by city plow.

Helen Dolaher, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at Main and School streets.

John J. Donnelly, for compensation for damage to property at Hampden and Albany streets, caused by city vehicle.

Charles Doucot, for compensation for damage to property at 201 Congress street, caused by city truck.

Robert J. Foster, for compensation for injuries caused by city truck.

Joseph M. Kenney, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Robert J. Kramer, for compensation for damage to car by city car.

Axel W. Lagerquist, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.
Joanna Lanovara, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Donald McKay School yard.

Jeremiah C. McCarthy, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Francis G. Mearn, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Salvatore and Antoinette Petrilli, for compensation for injuries caused by escape of gas at 9 Brookford street, Roxbury.

Angelina Sarno, for compensation for damage to property at 22 Juniper street, Roxbury, caused by fire truck.

Harold Seacrist, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 777 Gallivan Boulevard.

Weston W. Taylor, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Everett Tregurtha, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect in Atlantic avenue.

Elizabeth L., Salvatore M., and Joanna Vasta, for compensation for injuries caused by escape of gas at 9 Brookford street, Roxbury.

Nichioletta and Salvatore Vasta, for compensation for injuries caused by escape of gas at 9 Brookford street, Roxbury.

Patrick J. Walsh, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect at 44 Mercer street.

John F. Booth, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him on account of his acts as employee of Fire Department.

Executive Committee.

Petition of Boston Children's Theatre for children under fifteen years of age to appear at New England Mutual Hall on January 26 and February 2.

Petition of Mary Connolly to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, Martin W. Connolly, late member of the Police Department.

Petition of Sarah A. Donovan to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, John Donovan, late member of the Police Department.

Petition of Anna E. Reilly to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, Thomas P. Reilly, late member of the Fire Department.

Petition of Frederick L. O'Brien, probation officer of East Boston District Court, for retirement.

HEARING BEFORE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held on February 12 at 10 A.M. on petition of Rapid Transit, Inc., for operation of motor vehicles in East Boston.
Placed on file.

APPROVAL OF STATE HOUSING BOARD.

Notice was received from the State Housing Board of approval of expenditure by the Boston Housing Authority of \$204,262 on one- and two-family dwellings, for operating expense and reserves for fiscal year ending December 31, 1952.

Notice was received from the State Housing Board of approval of expenditure by the Boston Housing Authority of \$122,840 on multiple dwellings, for operating expense and reserves for fiscal year ending December 31, 1952.

Severally placed on file.

APPOINTMENT OF STANLEY S. KOWALEWSKI.

Notice was received from the Sealer of Weights and Measures, John F. McCarthy, of the appointment of Stanley S. Kowalewski, 634 Dorchester avenue, Boston, as Deputy Sealer of Weights and Measures, appointment effective January 16 and salary to start at \$3,000 a year.
Placed on file.

NOTICE OF INTEREST IN CONTRACT.

Notice was received from John A. Breen, member of the Board of Zoning Adjustment, of interest in lease between City of Boston and State Street Corporation covering premises at 10 State street.

Placed on file.

BURIAL LOT FOR ALLIED VETERANS AND THEIR DEPENDENTS.

Coun. WARD offered the following:

Ordered, That the original order passed by the City Council on May 10, 1920, and amended on June 3, 1940, November 9, 1942, and March 19, 1951, authorizing the Board of Cemetery Trustees to set aside a suitable lot now known as World War Veterans' Lot in Mount Hope Cemetery, be herewith further amended to include the burial of all residents of Boston who shall have served in the active service of the armed forces of the United States and members of allied forces on or after June 25, 1950, or prior to said date as shall thereafter be determined by Presidential proclamation or concurring resolution of Congress, and their dependents, in the same order of priority and under the same provisions as specified for veterans of World War I, World War II, and Korean conflict.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

DEVELOPMENT OF BOSTON & ALBANY RAILROAD YARD.

Coun. FOLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Chairman of the City Planning Board be requested by his Honor the Mayor to appear before the Executive Committee of the City Council on Monday, January 28, 1952, at 3 P.M., to advise the City Council as to what action has been taken by that Board toward the redevelopment of the land situated between Boylston street and Huntington avenue, known as the Boston & Albany Railroad yards and which this railroad intends to discontinue to operate. The City Council would particularly like to be informed whether or not any negotiations have been made with private interests relative to the redevelopment of this area with private capital.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

REORGANIZATION OF EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS OF CITY.

Coun. AHEARN offered the following:

Resolved, That the City Council of Boston hereby opposes the passage of House Bill No. 798, empowering the Mayor of the City of Boston to take action under said bill by executive order filed with the City Clerk; and be it further:

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be forwarded to the President of the Senate, Speaker of the House, the chairman and all members of the Committees on Cities and of Municipal Finance of the Senate and House of the Massachusetts Legislature.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

MARCH OF DIMES DRIVE.

The Hon. Laurence Curtis, chairman of the drive for the March of Dimes, addressed the Council on the appeal for funds for the March of Dimes, inviting the members to participate with the Mayor in a rally about to take place in front of City Hall, and the invitation was accepted.

On motion of Councillor Joyce the Council voted at 2.22 P.M. to take a recess to participate in the March of Dimes rally. The members reassembled in the Council Chamber and were called to order by Chairman WHITE at 2.47 P.M.

Coun. WARD moved that the Council take a recess for the purpose of going into executive session. The motion was lost.

ELECTION OF PRESIDENT.

On motion of Councillor Hailer the Council voted to proceed to the election of a President for the municipal year 1952:

The roll was called as follows:

For William J. Foley, Jr.—Councillors Foley, Ward—2.

For Francis X. Joyce—Councillor Hailer—1.

For John E. Kerrigan—Councillor Kerrigan—1.

For Gabriel F. Piemonte—Councillors Ahearn, Joyce, Piemonte, White—4.

Before the result was announced Councillor Ward changed his vote from Councillor Foley to Councillor Piemonte, Councillor Hailer changed his vote from Councillor Joyce to Councillor Piemonte, Councillor Kerrigan changed his vote from Councillor Kerrigan to Councillor Piemonte and Councillor Foley changed his vote from Councillor Foley to Councillor Piemonte.

Chairman WHITE announced that Councillor Piemonte, having received eight votes, was declared elected President for the municipal year 1952.

President PIEMONTE was escorted to the Chair amidst applause.

Councillor WHITE, upon receiving unanimous consent to make a statement, heartily congratulated President PIEMONTE in behalf of himself and the other members of the Council. (Applause.)

President PIEMONTE expressed sincere thanks to the members of the Council for his election as President. (Applause.)

RECESS.

On motion of Councillor Ward the Council voted to take a recess at 3.23 P.M., subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled and were called to order by President PIEMONTE at 6.13 P.M.

COMMITTEE TO PREPARE RULES FOR COUNCIL FOR 1952-53.

Coun. WHITE offered the following:

Ordered, That a committee of three members be appointed by the President to prepare and report rules to govern the proceedings of the City Council of 1952-53.

The order was passed under suspension of the rules, and President PIEMONTE appointed Councillors Ahearn, Foley, and White as a committee to prepare rules for Council procedure for 1952-53.

LEGISLATION RE MANASSAH E. BRADLEY, JR.

Coun. HAILER offered the following:

Resolved, That the City Council favors the enactment of legislation providing for a certain presumption with respect to certain injuries received by Manassah E. Bradley, Jr., late member of the Boston Police Department, provided such legislation includes a referendum to the Mayor and City Council.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

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

1. Report on petition of Boston Children's Theatre (referred today) for children under fifteen years of age to appear at New England Mutual Hall on January 26 and February 2—recommending that permit be granted.

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

2. Report on resolve (referred today) opposing passage of House Bill No. 798, empowering the Mayor to reorganize executive departments of city by executive order filed with the City Clerk—that resolution ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the resolution was adopted.

3. Report on petition (referred today) of Frederick L. O'Brien, probation officer of the East Boston District Court, for retirement—recommending passage of the following order:

Whereas, it appears from the certificate of the Justice of the East Boston District Court that Frederick L. O'Brien, probation officer of said court, has arrived at the age of sixty-nine; and

Whereas, said Frederick L. O'Brien has given his whole time to, and has faithfully performed the duties of, his office for more than thirty years; therefore be it

Ordered, That under chapter 32, sections 75 and 76, of the General Laws as amended, the retirement and placing upon the pension roll of Frederick L. O'Brien at an annual pension of \$2,832, being one half of his present annual salary of \$5,664, to take effect February 16, 1952, be, and hereby is, approved.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

4. Report on petition of Mary E. Connelly (referred December 3, 1951) to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, Francis W. Connelly, late member of the Police Department—recommending passage of the following order:

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 89A of chapter 32 of the General Laws, an annuity of fifteen hundred dollars be allowed and paid to Mary E. Connelly, widow of Francis W. Connelly, a member of the Police Department who died on April 16, 1951, 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 Police Department, Pensions and Annuities.

The report was accepted and the order was passed.

5. Report on appointment by the Mayor (referred January 14) of John Carroll as member of Boston Housing Authority for term expiring January 8, 1957—recommending that appointment be confirmed.

The report was accepted, and the appointment was confirmed, yeas 8, nays 0:

Yeas—Councillors Ahearn, Foley, Hailer, Joyce, Kerrigan, Piemonte, Ward, White—8.

Nays—0.

6. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred January 14) for rescission of order for reconveyance of land in East Boston to James J. Collins—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was given its first reading and passage, yeas 8, nays 0:

Yeas—Councillors Ahearn, Foley, Hailer, Joyce, Kerrigan, Piemonte, Ward, White—8.

Nays—0.

The order was assigned for fourteen days for final action.

7. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred today) authorizing sale of portion of land in Franklin Field to Boston Housing Authority—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted.

The question came on giving the order its first reading and passage. The order was rejected (6 votes being required for passage), yeas 5, nays 2:

Yeas—Councillors Ahearn, Foley, Kerrigan, Ward, White—5.

Nays—Councillors Hailer, Joyce—2.

Voting Present—Councillor Piemonte—1.

On motion of Councillor Foley the foregoing vote was reconsidered.

On further motion of Councillor Foley the order was referred to the Executive Committee.

Adjourned at 6.40 P.M., on motion of Councillor White, to meet on Monday, January 28, 1952, 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 28, 1952.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President PIEMONTE in the chair. Absent, Councillor Ward.

The Right Reverend Edward G. Murray, Pastor of the Sacred Heart Catholic Church of Roslindale, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY RIGHT REVEREND
EDWARD G. MURRAY.

Almighty and Eternal God, who has made of one blood all the races of mankind, and who, in this nation, this Commonwealth, and in this city, has brought together from all parts of the earth members of every race, grant us here in our deliberations all that is to be a symbol and force of unity. Give us an understanding that we act here in the name of the people and in Thy name. Grant us, therefore, to act for their welfare and according to Thy law. Give light to our deliberations; give strength to our counsel; give unity to our decisions.

May Thy blessing be upon us always and upon those for whom we labor here today. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

REMOVAL OF "NO PARKING" RESTRICTIONS ON WATSON STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 28, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of December 3, 1951, requesting the removal of the "No Parking" restrictions on the east side of Watson street, Ward 9.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
January 21, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

In reply to Council order dated December 3, 1951, requesting the removal of the "No Parking" restriction in the east side of Watson street, Ward 9, a survey was made of the business establishments on the street, and the results of this survey were discussed at a meeting of the Commission on Thursday, January 18, 1952.

It was voted to remove the parking prohibition in the northwest side of Watson street and retain it on the southeast side, from Camden street to Northampton street, 24 hours.

This regulation will become effective on February 5, 1952.

Respectfully submitted,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.
Placed on file.

PARKING PRIVILEGES FOR PARAPLEGIC VETERANS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 24, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Boston Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of January 14, 1952, concerning the re-

quest that the paraplegic veterans of World War I, World War II, and the Korean hostilities be granted exclusive parking privileges in front of their homes or places of business and that such areas be so marked by the Traffic Commissioner.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
January 23, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

With reference to Council order dated January 14, 1952, requesting that the paraplegic veterans of World War I, World War II, and the Korean hostilities shall have exclusive parking privileges in front of their homes and places of business and that such areas shall be so marked by the Traffic Commissioner, I wish to report that there is no law under which we can reserve parking spaces at curbstones for any type, kind, or class of vehicles.

We may prohibit parking, but we cannot reserve spaces. For example, we cannot reserve spaces at the City Hospital for ambulances, but we can by law prohibit parking at the curbstones in the vicinity of the City Hospital.

In view of these limitations on our authority it is not possible for us to carry out the request of the Council order.

Respectfully yours,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.
Placed on file.

USE OF FREE LANE IN SUMNER
TUNNEL BY PARAPLEGIC VETERANS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 28, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of January 14, 1952, requesting that all cars bearing "V" number plates, which denote paraplegic veterans, be allowed to use the free lane when traveling through the Sumner Tunnel.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
January 28, 1952.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Mr. Shannon:

This is in reference to the following order that was passed in the City Council under date of January 14:

"Ordered, That all cars bearing "V" number plates, which denote paraplegic veterans, be allowed to use the free lane when traveling through the Sumner Tunnel."

Under the provisions of section 9 of chapter 297 of the Acts of 1929 and amendments thereto, operators of city-owned vehicles, ambulances, and vehicles of the Boston Protective Department are exempted from paying tolls when using the Sumner Tunnel.

In that the law specifically describes the ownership of the vehicles that are permitted to use the tunnel free of charge, I do not believe that it is within my jurisdiction to permit the operators of any other vehicles to use the tunnel without payment of a toll, regardless of how meritorious or deserving the particular case might be.

Respectfully yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works,
Placed on file.

TRANSFER OF LAND ON CUMSTON
STREET TO PARK DEPARTMENT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, January 28, 1952.
To the Honorable City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication received from Frank R. Kelley, Chairman of the Board of Park Commissioners, requesting the transfer of approximately 730 square feet of land located at 4 Cumston

street, Boston, from the Chairman, Board of Real Estate Commissioners, to the Park Department for playground purposes.

The neighborhood in which this parcel of land is situated is in immediate need of playground facilities, and I therefore recommend the adoption of the accompanying order.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,

Park Department, January 23, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

I am today in receipt of a communication from the Chairman of the Board of Real Estate Commissioners to the effect that they are arranging for the transfer of property located at 4 Cumston street in the South End of Boston to the Park Department for playground purposes.

This is an area in whose development you expressed particular interest.

Accordingly, this is to inform you that if you will make the necessary arrangements whereby this property comes into the custody of the Park Department, we will be most pleased to accept it and will develop it for playground purposes.

Respectfully yours,

FRANK R. KELLEY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

City of Boston,

Real Estate Commission,

January 28, 1952.

To the Honorable City Council,
Gentlemen:

This is to advise you that at a meeting of the Committee on Foreclosed Real Estate of the Board of Real Estate Commissioners, held on January 17, 1952, it was unanimously

Voted, To transfer the city-owned lot of land located at 4 Cumston street, Boston, containing 730 square feet, from the care, custody, and control of the Board of Real Estate Commissioners to the Park Department for playground purposes.

Very truly yours,

JOSEPH B. BURKE,

Secretary to the Board.

Whereas, The City of Boston by a decree of the Land Court, Suffolk Registry District, dated October 20, 1939, foreclosed a right of redemption to a tax deed recorded with Suffolk Deeds, Book 5613, page 260, on about seven hundred thirty (730) square feet of land on the northwesterly side of Cumston street, numbered four (4) in the numbering of said Cumston street, making the northerly corner of Cumston place, adjoining an estate now or formerly of Elmer and Margaret L. Moore (numbered 8); and

Whereas, At a meeting of the Board of Real Estate Commissioners of the City of Boston held January 17, 1952, it was voted to transfer the above-described property to the Park Department for playground purposes; and

Whereas, The Board of Park Commissioners desires to acquire the above-described parcel of land for playground purposes; now, therefore, it is hereby

Ordered, That the land at 4 Cumston street, Boston, hereinbefore described, 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 Park Department for playground purposes.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

TRANSFER OF LAND ON WASHINGTON STREET, DORCHESTER, TO BOARD OF REAL ESTATE COMMISSIONERS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, January 28, 1952.

To the Honorable City Council,
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication received from Frank R. Kelley, Chairman of the Board of Park Commissioners, wherein he advises that a certain parcel of land containing 2,496 square feet, situated at Washington street, Dorchester, is no longer required for park purposes.

Since this land was originally acquired by the City of Boston through the foreclosure of a tax title, I submit herewith an order transferring the care, custody, control, and management of the property back to the Chairman, Board of Real Estate Commissioners.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,

Park Department, January 23, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

At a meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners held on Thursday, December 6, 1951, the Board voted unanimously to abandon a lot of land in the Dorchester district which is no longer needed for park purposes, bounded and described as follows:

Southwesterly by land now or formerly of Susan Hickey, 100 feet; northwesterly by land of the City of Boston, 25 feet; northeasterly by land of the City of Boston, 100 feet; southeasterly by Washington street, 25 feet; containing twenty-four hundred and ninety-six (2,496) square feet, more or less; said lot being shown on a plan entitled "Subdivision Plan of Land in Boston (Dorchester District) Mass.," dated July 18, 1951, and signed by Walter R. Luby, assistant chief engineer, Street Laying-Out Department, City Hall Annex, Boston, Mass.

Accordingly, will you please make arrangements to have this land transferred through the proper channels to the Real Estate Commission of the City of Boston?

Respectfully yours,

FRANK R. KELLEY, Chairman.

Whereas, The City of Boston is the owner in fee of approximately twenty-four hundred ninety-six (2,496) square feet of land on the northwesterly side of Washington street in the Dorchester district of the City of Boston, originally acquired by said city for nonpayment of taxes, and, subsequently, transferred to the care, custody, control, and management of the Park Department; and

Whereas, At a meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners held December 6, 1951, it was voted that the said parcel of land was no longer required for Park Department purposes; now, therefore, it is hereby

Ordered, That the parcel of land hereinafter described be, and the same hereby is, transferred from the care, custody, control, and management of the Park Department to the care, custody, control, and management of the Chairman, Board of Real Estate Commissioners. The said parcel of land is bounded and described as follows:

Southwesterly by land now or formerly of Susan Hickey, 100 feet; northwesterly by land of the City of Boston, 25 feet; northeasterly by land of the City of Boston, 100 feet; southeasterly by Washington street, 25 feet; containing twenty-four hundred and ninety-six (2,496) square feet, more or less; said lot being shown on a plan entitled "Subdivision Plan of Land in Boston (Dorchester District) Mass.," dated July 18, 1951, and signed by Walter R. Luby, assistant chief engineer, Street Laying-Out Department, City Hall Annex, Boston, Mass.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

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

Claims.

Allen Furniture Company, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Sarah Bailey, for compensation for injuries caused by ice on stairs at 53 Wianno road.

Rebecca Bearon, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at Summer street and Atlantic avenue.

Berg, DiMare, and Berg, Inc., for compensation for damage to property on Haverhill street, caused by break in water main.

Samuel Cohen, for compensation for damage to property at 1268 Blue Hill avenue, caused by stop sign crashing into property.

Albert H. Hough, for compensation for damage to property at 68 Boynton street, Jamaica Plain, caused by backing up of sewage.

Gertrude Jacobs, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 1134A Blue Hill avenue.

Norman and Joyce Kivitz, for compensation for injuries caused by city vehicle.

Kray's, for compensation for damage to ear by fire apparatus.

Winsor B. Leach, for compensation for damage to car by city vehicle.

Alan Locke, for compensation for injuries caused by police car.

Barry Locke, for compensation for injuries caused by police car.

Leo Loeke, for compensation for injuries and damage to property by police car.

Lillian Locke, for compensation for injuries caused by police car.

Samuel Pliskin, for compensation for injuries caused by police car.

Vincent J. Quealy, for compensation for damage to car by fire engine.

Roger's Jewelry, for compensation for damage to property at 569 Washington street, caused by broken water main.

John Stonis, for compensation for damage to truck by fire truck.

Barbara, Robert, and Joseph Susan, for compensation for injuries and damage to property by city vehicle.

Cecilia Weston, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 452 East Eighth street, South Boston.

Executive.

Petition of Ruth M. McShane for children under fifteen years of age to appear at South Boston Municipal Building on February 21.

APPOINTMENTS IN HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

Notice was received from the Health Commissioner of appointment of John Murphy, 53 St. Andrew road, East Boston, as food inspector (emergency) at \$52.95 a week, effective January 23 and continuing for thirty working days.

Notice was received from the Health Commissioner of appointment of Thomas R. Kelley, 53 St. Andrew road, East Boston, as inspector of housing and sanitation, at \$52.94 a week, for thirty working days, effective January 23.

Severally placed on file.

CONGRATULATIONS TO PRESIDENT PIEMONTE.

Copy of an order passed January 21 by the City Council of Cambridge was received, congratulating Councillor Piemonte upon his election as President of the Boston City Council.

Placed on file.

REFERENCE OF CERTAIN APPOINTMENTS AND A PETITION FOR SUNDAY BOWLING TO THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

On motion of Councillor White the appointments by the Mayor, referred January 7, 1952, of Robert Santis to be a Weigher of Coal and William G. McDonald to be a Weigher of Goods were recalled from the Committee on Confirmations and referred to the Executive Committee.

On motion of Councillor White the appointments by the Mayor, referred January 14, 1952, of William D. Fitzgerald to be a Weigher of Coal, Harold E. Olsen, Emanuel C. Mello, Timothy J. Donovan, and Ernest Mello to be Weighers of Goods, and Morton L. Bardfield to be a constable were recalled from the Committee on Confirmations and referred to the Executive Committee.

On motion of Councillor White the petition of 20th Century Billiard Company, referred January 14, 1952, for license to operate bowling alleys on the Lord's day, at 1231-1241 Hyde Park avenue, was recalled from the Committee on Licenses and referred to the Executive Committee.

PAYMENT OF LIBRARY EMPLOYEES BY CHECK.

Coun. FOLEY offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to consult with the Trustees of the Boston Public Library and request that they reconsider the contemplated plan of payment by check to employees of the Boston Public Library.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

PAYMENT OF SUM OF MONEY TO RITA SULLIVAN.

Coun. KERRIGAN 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 Rita Sullivan, a former employee of the Boston Sanatorium, who is now permanently disabled by reason of sickness contracted by her in the performance of her work at said sanatorium; provided that such legislation includes a referendum to the Mayor and City Council.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

INCREASED PENSION FOR THOMAS E. GOGGIN.

Coun. KERRIGAN offered the following:
Ordered, That because of the intent of the Legislature, as indicated in chapter 781 of the Acts of 1951, to increase by \$100 a year the amounts of pension and retirement allowances payable to certain retired persons of the City of Boston and County of Suffolk, the pension of Thomas E. Goggin, established by the City Council at its meeting of July 1, 1940, be increased from \$21.60 to \$23.52 a week, retroactive to the date of acceptance of the act by the City Council, namely, December 3, 1951.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

HIGH SCHOOL CIVIC CLASSES TO ATTEND SESSIONS OF COUNCIL AND LEGISLATURE.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:
Resolved, That the Boston City Council hereby requests the School Committee of Boston to permit the civic classes of all the public high schools in the city to attend the regular meetings of the Boston City Council and the sessions of the Massachusetts Legislature at least once during the school year.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

TEMPORARY CHAIRMAN OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

In the absence of Councillor Ward, President PIEMONTE appointed Councillor White as Temporary Chairman of the Executive Committee.

RECESS.

On motion of Councillor White the Council voted to take a recess at 2.15 p.m., subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled and were called to order by President PIEMONTE at 6.17 p.m.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PREPARATION OF COUNCIL RULES.

Coun. AHEARN reported that a meeting of the committee had taken place and that, as chairman, he had been in consultation with City Clerk Malloy twice and expected to make a final report at the next meeting of the Council. He asked the other members of the Council to submit either orally or in writing any suggestions they might have for revision of the rules.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

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

1. Report on petition of Ruth M. McShane (referred today) for children to appear at South Boston Municipal Building on February 21—that permit be granted.

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

2. Report on resolution (referred today) requesting School Committee to permit school civic classes to attend meetings of the Council and the Legislature at least once during the school year—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the resolution was adopted.

3. Report on order (referred January 21) concerning redevelopment of land between Boylston street and Huntington avenue known as the Boston & Albany Railroad yards—recommending passage of order in following new draft:

Ordered, That the Boston City Council urges upon his Honor the Mayor the urgent and immediate necessity of allowing the City Planning Board a sufficient appropriation to prepare an analysis of the best economic uses of the Boston & Albany Railroad yards, between Huntington avenue and Boylston street, use of which is about to be discontinued for railroad purposes.

The report was accepted, and the order in the new draft was passed.

4. Report on appointments by the Mayor (referred January 7) of Robert Santis as Weigher of Coal and William G. McDonald as Weigher of Goods—recommending that appointments be confirmed.

Report on appointments by the Mayor (referred January 14) of William D. FitzGerald as Weigher of Coal and Harold E. Olsen, Emanuel C. Mello, Timothy J. Donovan, and Ernest Mello as Weighers of Goods—recommending that appointments be confirmed.

Report on appointment by the Mayor (referred January 14) of Morton L. Bardfield as constable with authority to serve civil process upon filing of bond—recommending that appointment be confirmed.

The reports were accepted, and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councillors Hailer and Foley. Whole number of ballots 8, yeas 7, nays 1, and the appointments were confirmed.

5. Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred January 21) for sale of portion of Franklin Field to Boston Housing Authority—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted. On motion of Councillor Hurley the order was recommitted to the Executive Committee.

Adjourned at 6.27 p.m., on motion of Councillor Hurley, to meet on Monday, February 4, 1952 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 4, 1952.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President PIEMONTE in the chair. Absent, Councillor Ward.

The Reverend Neal Boyle of St. Anthony's Shrine, Arch street, Boston, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY REV. NEAL BOYLE.

In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.

Dear God, come into our hearts and minds so that You may teach us what to do, and show us what we must accomplish to please You, the Author and Finisher of all our judgments, to benefit our city and to promote the welfare of our people.

Suffer us not to disturb the order of justice—Thou Who lovest equity above all things.

Let not ignorance draw us into devious paths nor partiality sway our minds.

Let not respect of persons or riches pervert our judgment—rather unite us to Thee that we may never forsake truth.

And so, united with Thee, may we hold fast to justice tempered by pity in order that our judgments may in no wise be at variance with Thine.

And in the life to come may we attain to everlasting rewards for deeds well done. Amen. In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the flag.

JURORS DRAWN.

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

Forty traverse jurors, Superior Criminal Court, to appear March 3, 1952:

Lena Grasso, Ward 1; Baldassarro LaGrassa, Ward 1; Carmen Caso, Ward 3; Francis Madden, Ward 3; Patrick J. Sheehan, Ward 4; Anthony Balthrush, Ward 5; Patrick L. Flaherty, Ward 6; William T. Herlihy, Ward 6; John T. Barry, Ward 7; Iliarris Harry Doron, Ward 7; Thomas Gregory Gillis, Ward 7; Thomas L. McGahan, Ward 7; Jeanette P. Cowing, Ward 8; Alexander A. Ransney, Ward 9; Ruth McMahon, Ward 10; William A. O'Keefe, Ward 10; William T. O'Donnell, Ward 11; Joseph P. Dutton, Ward 12; Patrick J. Glennon, Ward 12; Arthur Hughes, Ward 13; James Brem, Ward 14; Sydney G. Harris, Ward 14; John G. Rossiter, Ward 14; John F. Dunleavy, Ward 16; Andrew S. G. Smith, Ward 16; Bernard J. Lynch, Ward 17; Ernest S. McAlister, Ward 17; Quentin L. Brown, Ward 18; Festus Joyce, Ward 18; John J. McIntyre, Ward 18; Maurice J. Moynihan, Jr., Ward 18; Joseph B. Landry, Ward 19; Joseph A. McKeon, Ward 19; George A. Brunzell, Ward 20; John A. Donahue, Ward 21; Rudolph Francis Kahn, Ward 21; Mary E. Kannaly, Ward 21; Catherine F. McParland, Ward 21; Albert J. Law, Ward 22; Eric C. Turnquist, Ward 22.

One hundred sixty-four traverse jurors, Superior Civil Court, to appear March 3, 1952:

Frank DeBonis, Ward 1; Richard B. Elberfeld, Ward 1; John J. McCormack, Ward 1; Arthur L. Nagle, Ward 1; William A. Olsen, Ward 1; Anthony Picarello, Ward 1; Frederick S. Phinney, Ward 2; Richard A. Price, Ward 2; Manuel Cardoza, Ward 3; Joseph Ferullo, Ward 3; Carl Kaminsky, Ward 3; Theodore Moschella, Ward 3; Frederick Porcella, Ward 3; Walter A. Rothwell, Ward 3; Morris Sherman, Ward 3; Philomena L. Vetraino, Ward 3; Walter Zenevich, Ward 3; Louis Zerendow, Ward 3; Lawrence A. Anzalone, Ward 4; Paul V. Chouchos,

Ward 4; Richard H. Counts, Ward 4; George W. Hunt, Ward 4; James R. Kingsbury, Ward 4; George S. Maloof, Ward 4; Andrew Whelan, Ward 4; Robert J. Brennan, Ward 5; John J. Costello, Ward 5; Domenic Folco, Ward 5; Samuel Litoofsky, Ward 5; Frank J. Gulinello, Ward 6; Lawrence A. Lyons, Ward 6; Catherine R. Sweeney, Ward 6; Ralph E. Whealan, Ward 6.

William S. Bachar, Ward 7; John J. Barrett, Ward 7; Frederick B. Beer, Ward 7; Peter L. Feeney, Ward 7; Henry F. Garney, Ward 7; Wilson E. Goodwin, Ward 7; June L. Halloran, Ward 7; William J. Jennings, Ward 7; William J. McGee, Jr., Ward 7; Joseph P. Murphy, Ward 7; Robert E. Keddy, Ward 8; Leo A. O'Brien, Ward 8; Thomas E. Walsh, Ward 8; Clarence J. Avant, Ward 9; Edward Fitzgerald, Ward 9; Stephen J. Geba, Ward 9; Robert Harvey, Ward 9; Harry C. Knightly, Ward 9; Howard F. Taylor, Ward 9; John Taylor, Ward 9; Wesley R. Taylor, Ward 9; James C. Caulfield, Ward 10; Thomas F. Forkin, Ward 10; Alice V. O'Brien, Ward 10; James F. Sheehan, Ward 10; Robert Whiteside, Ward 10.

Henry J. Blaney, Ward 11; Kenneth I. Browne, Ward 11; David F. Crowley, Ward 11; Thomas F. McCreedy, Ward 11; William F. O'Brien, Ward 11; Roland T. Reynolds, Ward 11; William Simon, Ward 11; Eugene H. Southwick, Ward 11; Harold W. Tower, Ward 11; Michael D. Varkas, Ward 11; Charles E. Wilkins, Ward 11; Walter F. Wolfrun, Ward 11; Donald H. Banks, Ward 12; Joseph F. Bello, Ward 12; Frederick Dubuque, Ward 12; Henry C. Duca, Ward 12; Charles E. Evans, Ward 12; Herbert R. Jones, Ward 12; Hyman E. Kaplan, Ward 12; John J. Marsden, Ward 12; Robert Miller, Ward 12; Michael J. Raferty, Ward 12; Catherine J. Tompkins, Ward 12.

Barbara Barnes, Ward 13; William A. Fletcher, Ward 13; John Mazukaitis, Ward 13; James H. Roache, Jr., Ward 13; Henry Barnett, Ward 14; Herbert B. Cohen, Ward 14; Abraham Feldman, Ward 14; Myer Gilman, Ward 14; Hyman Ginsberg, Ward 14; Isaac Godfried, Ward 14; Julius Goldstein, Ward 14; Nathan Grolnic, Ward 14; Max Grossman, Ward 14; Louis N. Katz, Ward 14; Morris Lesofsky, Ward 14; Henry Levine, Ward 14; Joseph J. Levitan, Ward 14; Irving Mandel, Ward 14; Walter F. Mayer, Ward 14; Theodore L. Neitliek, Ward 14; Egza Ramin, Ward 14; Benjamin J. Selig, Ward 14; Benjamin B. Silverman, Ward 14.

Alfred L. Adduci, Ward 15; James J. Halpin, Ward 15; Thomas J. Henry, Jr., Ward 15; Antonio J. LaBollita, Ward 15; William C. Connolly, Ward 16; Henry F. Coughlin, Ward 16; Cornelius P. Gibbons, Ward 16; James V. Hayes, Ward 16; Thomas P. Heffernan, Ward 16; James P. Howard, Ward 16; Leo J. Looney, Ward 16; John Murray, Ward 16; Matthew J. Thoemmel, Ward 16; John J. McCarthy, Ward 17; George M. Ryan, Ward 17; John E. Smith, Ward 17; Andrew C. Stenhouse, Ward 17; Stanley L. Stewart, Ward 17; Frederick J. Walsh, Ward 17.

Leo J. Bulger, Ward 18; Francis L. Carey, Ward 18; Mary E. Cook, Ward 18; Francis M. Crehan, Ward 18; John P. Haggerty, Ward 18; David E. Kelley, Ward 18; Olaf G. Olsen, Ward 18; Harold J. Shaw, Ward 18; Edward J. Coan, Ward 19; John J. Flynn, Ward 19; James P. Walsh, Ward 19; William J. Barker, Ward 20; Thomas J. Connaughton, Ward 20; William E. Durgin, Ward 20; Martha C. Fick, Ward 20; Caroline A. Morlock, Ward 20; Lillian R. Murray, Ward 20; Carl Sigurd Peterson, Ward 20; Harry N. Strickland, Jr., Ward 20; William H. Taylor, Ward 20; William H. Timmons, Ward 20.

David Blackstone, Ward 21; Frank Bono, Ward 21; Leonard Burkat, Ward 21; Edward V. Flynn, Ward 21; James H. Jope, Ward 21; Marshall W. Locke, Ward 21; George S. Long, Ward 21; Frederick T. O'Brien, Ward 21; Francis R. Pray, Ward 21; Herbert A. Souther, Ward 21; Anna Wainhouse, Ward 21; John F. Cassidy, Ward 22; Joseph F. Fitzgerald, Ward 22; John F. Gilboy, Ward 22; Elmer L. Gorin, Ward 22; Thomas Keyville, Ward 22; George M. MacLaughlin, Ward 22; John F. Mahoney, Ward 22; Richard Russell, Ward 22.

APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR.

Subject to confirmation by the Council, the Mayor submitted the appointment of Francis S. Zarthar, 40 West Newton street, Boston, as

constable with authority to serve civil process upon filing of bond, for term ending April 30, 1952.
Referred to the Committee on Confirmations, when appointed.

INSTALLATION OF EMERGENCY LIGHTS IN CERTAIN SCHOOLS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, February 4, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Secretary to the School Committee relative to your order of October 1, 1951, requesting that emergency lights be installed in the schools throughout the city where civic organizations meet.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
School Committee, January 30, 1952.
Mr. Walter J. Malloy,
City Clerk.

Dear Sir:

At the conference of the School Committee on January 22, 1952, the members considered the order of the City Council at its meeting on October 1, 1951, that this committee be requested to have emergency lights installed in schools throughout the city where civic organizations meet.

In reply thereto, I was directed to inform you that these emergency lights are being installed in the several school buildings as rapidly as possible, consistent with the funds available for this purpose.

Very truly yours,
AGNES E. REYNOLDS, Secretary.

Placed on file.

PERMANENT VISIBLE MARKERS AT CITY BOUNDARIES.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, February 4, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the secretary to the Board of Street Commissioners relative to your order of November 19, 1951, requesting the establishment of bound marks and the placing of permanent visible markers at those boundary corners having no markers or where markers are buried or otherwise not plainly visible as recommended by the report of the Committee on Perambulation of the Boundary Lines between Boston and the Adjacent Cities and Towns of Revere, Everett, Somerville, Newton, Brookline, Dedham, and Milton.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Street Laying-Out Department,
January 28, 1952.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the following Council order dated November 19, 1951:

"Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor to establish bound marks and place permanent visible markers at those boundary corners having no markers or where markers are buried or otherwise not plainly visible, as recommended by the report of the Committee on Perambulation of the Boundary Lines between Boston and the Adjacent Cities and Towns of Revere, Everett, Somerville, Newton, Brookline, Dedham, and Milton."

The engineering division of this office is now in the process of completing necessary surveys to establish the locations of our inadequately marked boundaries referred to in the above Council order. When these surveys are complete,

new stone bounds or other suitable markers will be laid, done with the cooperation of the several abutting communities.

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

Placed on file.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

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

Claims.

Charles F. Ruth G., and Frederick Binda, for compensation for injuries and damage to car by city truck.

Frederick J. Brady, to be reimbursed as result of executions issued against him on account of his acts as employee of Fire Department.

William T. Burke, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him on account of his acts as employee of Water Division.

Leah P. Carrey, for compensation for damage to property at 42 Tiverton road, Mattapan, caused by snowplow.

William J. Clegg, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him on account of his acts as employee of Public Works Department.

Community Laundry, for compensation for damage to truck by city truck.

Thomas J. Conaty, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Police Department.

Francis Darling, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Rebecca Desotell, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 2343 Washington street, Roxbury.

C. M. DiCecca, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Cecil Dickinson, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Thomas J. Flanagan, for compensation for damage to car by snowplow.

Minnie Graham, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in West End Branch Library.

John J. Green, to be reimbursed for execution issued against him on account of his acts as employee of Police Department.

Eleanor Kallenberg, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at Roxbury and Washington streets.

Lampert Taxi Company, Inc., for compensation for damage to property by ladder truck of Fire Department.

Wallace Martin, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 38 Rutland square.

James McGee, for compensation for damage to property at 232 Garfield avenue, Hyde Park, caused by backing up of sewage.

Annabel McLaughlin, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 3098 and 3100 Washington street.

Gerard Mennitto, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at Harrison avenue and Oak street.

Francis G. Napolitano, for compensation for damage to property at 80 Huntington avenue, caused by broken water main.

John Pacitti, for compensation for damage to property at 1124 Dorchester avenue, caused by broken water line.

Dorothy A. Richards, for compensation for damage to property at 6 Clinton place, caused by break in water main.

William P. Salerno, for compensation for injuries caused by fire apparatus.

Michael Shagoury, for compensation for damage to car by ladder truck of Fire Department.

Isaac Titlebaum, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Antonetta Catino, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 177 Maverick street, East Boston.

Executive.

Petition of Anna E. McBrine to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, Francis V. McBrine, late member of the Police Department.

Petition of Rapid Transit, Inc., for license to operate motor vehicles over St. Edward road, Metropolitan Transit Authority bus way, Boardman street, and Saratoga street, East Boston.

BUDGET FOR 1952.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, February 4, 1952.

To the City Council.
GENTLEMEN:

I submit herewith the tax and appropriation orders for the year 1952. These appropriation orders, plus those which will be presented to your Honorable Body at a later date, will provide for the maintenance requirements of city and county departments for a twelve-month period.

It will be noted that the 1952 maintenance requirements for city and county departments exceed those for 1951 by \$5,743,045.31. This sum represents a 6.2 per cent increase in maintenance costs over those of the previous year.

An examination of the allowances made for departmental purposes discloses that the budget requirements, as submitted, have been reduced by \$9,494,393.40 from the estimates submitted by department officials.

Appropriations for all purposes reflect present inflationary costs. The appropriations for personnel, as a result of general increases in salary rates during 1951, are considerably higher than for the previous year, and such appropriations represent about 63 per cent of the total budget increase.

The budget recommendations submitted for your consideration represent but one division or section of the maintenance requirements which will enter into the 1952 tax rate. The other elements yet to be determined include State and Metropolitan District assessments, school and schoolhouse budgets, principal and interest payments on outstanding debt, and requirements of the two contributory pension systems. According to the Cherry Sheet estimates issued by the Commissioner of Corporations and Taxation, it appears that assessments to be levied on the city for State and Metropolitan District purposes will be approximately \$3,350,000 greater than last year. This increase is occasioned by the 1951 operating deficit of the Metropolitan Transit Authority and a material rise in expenditures for expansion and developments in the Metropolitan park system. From advance notices it would appear as though the budgets now under consideration by the School Committee will represent a two million dollar increase over 1951. It is felt that no increase will be necessary in appropriations for the contributory retirement systems this year, and that because of the debt reduction policy followed in the past two years payments for principal and interest on the outstanding debt will be less than in 1951. Until all these elements are definitely determined, it will be impossible to state what the 1952 tax rate will be; but in the light of trends which are now evident it would appear that an increase in the rate is inevitable.

I hereby request that your Honorable Body scrutinize carefully the allowances as submitted. As a guide in your deliberations, I forward a detailed explanation of budget requirements, as prepared by the Budget Commissioner.

I trust that your Honorable Body will give prompt and favorable approval to the tax and appropriation orders submitted this day.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Budget Department, February 1, 1952.

HON. JOHN B. HYNES,
Mayor of Boston.

SIR:

I submit herewith a detailed analysis of the 1952 budget recommendations for City Maintenance, County Maintenance, and Income Departments, which are to be forwarded by you to the City Council on Monday, February 4, 1952.

The grand total of the proposed over-all budget is shown in the following table:

	1951 Appropriations	1952 Department Estimates	1952 Allowances
CITY MAINTENANCE	\$86,758,045 25	\$101,241,376 14	\$92,211,983 98
COUNTY MAINTENANCE	6,000,679 70	6,754,787 52	6,289,786 28
TOTAL	\$92,758,724 95	\$107,996,163 66	\$98,501,770 26
(Raised in tax levy)			

The following amounts for Income Departments, which are self-supporting, do not require appropriations in the tax levy.

	1951 Appropriations	1952 Department Estimates	1952 Allowances
INCOME DEPARTMENTS	\$1,251,013 25	\$1,613,460 70	\$4,335,611 64

The amount of this budget to be raised by taxation is \$5,743,045.31 in excess of that raised in 1951. The amounts recommended for City Maintenance total \$92,211,983.98, which represents a reduction of approximately \$9,500,000 in the estimates as originally submitted by the department heads and is \$5,453,938.73 greater than the total appropriations for 1951.

This budget does not include an appropriation for the establishment of the Classification and Compensation Plan for the employees of the city as a result of a survey recently conducted. It is intended to present to the City Council, at a later date, a supplementary appropriation order to provide funds for this purpose. In line with this arrangement step-rate increases, therefore, have been eliminated from this budget because the new Compensation Plan will supersede existing Compensation Plans.

TWO-YEAR BUDGET COMPARISON
CITY MAINTENANCE

	1951 Appropriations	1952 Allowances	Increase
PERSONAL SERVICES:			
Permanent Employees	\$45,136,008 77	\$48,144,742 47	
Temporary Employees	661,672 00	781,028 60	
Overtime	993,110 00	1,190,889 73	
TOTAL	\$46,790,790 77	\$50,116,660 80	\$3,325,870 03
CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	\$7,690,196 10	\$8,191,440 70	\$501,244 60
SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS	\$6,140,432 35	\$6,690,581 40	\$550,149 05

	1951 Appropriations	1952 Allowances	Increase
CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS:			
Aid to Dependent Children	\$4,225,000 00	\$3,875,040 00	
General Relief	4,005,000 00	3,184,000 00	
Old Age Assistance	9,670,000 00	9,620,000 00	
Veterans' Benefits	1,350,000 00	1,450,000 00	
Aid to Permanent and Totally Disabled	—	1,684,800 00	
All Others	282,153 87	309,871 30	
TOTAL	\$19,532,153 87	\$20,123,711 30	\$591,557 43
EQUIPMENT	\$1,088,456 16	\$1,260,131 69	\$171,675 53
STRUCTURES AND IMPROVEMENTS	\$1,326,700 00	\$1,280,500 00	*\$46,200 00
LAND AND IMPROVEMENTS	\$219,000 00	\$220,000 00	\$1,000 00
SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS:			
State-Boston Retirement System Expense Fund	\$48,000 00	\$65,218 89	
Conventions and Entertainment of Distinguished Guests	50,450 00	75,560 00	
Public Celebrations	91,400 00	67,869 00	
Bond Allotment Plan	51,000 00	60,000 00	
Board of Recreation	12,000 00	12,000 00	
Reserve Fund	250,000 00	150,000 00	
Snow Removal	300,000 00	400,000 00	
Workmen's Compensation	125,000 00	150,000 00	
Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements	250,000 00	260,000 00	
Pensions and Annuities	2,675,536 00	2,950,000 00	
Boston Housing Authority	27,000 00	27,000 00	
Civil Defense Activities	51,500 00	76,173 74	
Civic Improvement Committee	—	7,500 00	
Federal Public Health Program	38,430 00	27,636 46	
Total	\$3,970,316 00	\$4,328,958 09	\$358,642 09
GRAND TOTAL	\$86,758,045 25	\$92,211,983 98	\$5,453,938 73

* Denotes decrease.

TWO-YEAR BUDGET COMPARISON
COUNTY MAINTENANCE

	1951 Appropriations	1952 Allowances	Increase
PERSONAL SERVICES:			
Permanent Employees	\$4,235,061 18	\$4,571,332 88	
Temporary Employees	58,769 16	56,884 16	
Overtime	7,300 00	7,800 00	
TOTAL	\$4,301,130 34	\$4,636,017 04	\$334,886 70
CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	\$783,105 50	\$752,651 58	\$30,453 92*
SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS	\$612,191 50	\$644,716 60	\$32,525 10
CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS	\$11,977 76	\$11,189 06	\$788 70*
EQUIPMENT	\$55,274 60	\$77,212 00	\$21,937 40
STRUCTURES AND IMPROVEMENTS	\$85,000 00	\$13,000 00	\$72,000 00*
SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS:			
Middlesex County Training School	\$60,000 00	\$60,000 00	
Social Law Library	1,000 00	—	
Pensions and Annuities	91,000 00	95,000 00	
TOTAL	\$152,000 00	\$155,000 00	\$3,000 00
GRAND TOTAL	\$6,000,679 70	\$6,289,786 28	\$289,106 58

TWO-YEAR BUDGET COMPARISON
INCOME DEPARTMENTS

	1951 Appropriations	1952 Allowances	Increase
PERSONAL SERVICES:			
Permanent Employees	\$2,439,464 92	\$2,507,032 39	\$67,567 47
Temporary Employees	45,235 00	56,000 00	10,765 00
Overtime	69,500 00	43,000 00	26,500 00*
TOTAL	\$2,554,199 92	\$2,606,032 39	\$51,832 47
CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	\$899,250 00	\$871,034 00	\$28,216 00*
SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS	\$582,325 00	\$588,560 00	\$6,235 00
CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS	\$28,183 60	\$26,798 25	\$1,385 35*
EQUIPMENT	\$125,551 00	\$173,187 00	\$47,636 00
PENSIONS AND ANNUITIES	\$61,503 73	\$70,000 00	\$8,496 27
	\$4,251,013 25	\$4,335,611 64	\$84,598 39

* Denotes decrease.

The Income Departments are self-supporting and do not require appropriations in the tax levy, and the amounts recommended are necessary to efficiently operate these departments.

The increase in the allowance for Personal Services is necessary to provide sufficient funds for the full year because of the \$5.00 per week general increase granted July 1, 1951.

The increase in Supplies and Materials is due to the increase in prices.
 The increase in the allowance for equipment is necessary so that the Water Division may purchase additional meters and the Tunnel Division may purchase four carbon monoxide analyzers.
 The balance of the increase of the appropriations are about the normal amounts necessary to operate the Income Departments.

Respectfully,
 JOHN A. SULLIVAN, Budget Commissioner.

CITY MAINTENANCE
 SUMMARY
 BY FUNCTION AND ORGANIZATION UNITS

	GENERAL GOVERNMENT		
	1951 Appropriations	1952 Department Estimates	1952 Allowances
Mayor, Office Expenses	\$127,631 00	\$142,391 57	\$132,445 37
City Council	157,205 00	149,586 77	145,393 72
City Council Proceedings	17,200 00	18,000 00	16,000 00
Election	491,673 33	647,046 03	600,852 32
Auditing Department	176,446 93	186,032 92	184,178 33
Central Payroll Division	44,150 25	59,011 75	55,774 71
Budget Department	37,148 43	46,180 51	42,451 10
Assessing Department	588,121 73	678,661 24	653,141 09
Collecting Department	202,877 12	209,900 72	199,796 32
Treasury Department	190,701 67	232,430 47	198,131 18
Supply Department	103,596 65	123,513 39	109,221 82
Sinking Funds Department	3,725 00	3,750 00	3,750 00
Law Department	468,062 32	474,575 40	450,772 59
City Clerk Department	83,946 41	85,803 16	85,071 92
City Documents	30,000 00	45,000 00	30,000 00
Registry Department	125,632 34	133,201 34	129,188 77
Statistics Department	23,185 00	24,204 68	24,181 64
City Planning Board	57,986 47	90,422 04	68,851 87
Board of Zoning Adjustment	2,160 00	2,680 00	2,160 00
Public Buildings Department	1,049,643 42	1,417,402 23	1,068,927 58
Boston Retirement Board	39,155 16	33,739 63	33,479 77
State-Boston Retirement System, Expense Fund	48,000 00	63,218 89	65,218 89
Finance Commission	60,000 00	60,000 00	60,000 00
Conventions and Entertainment of Distinguished Guests	50,450 00	75,560 00	75,560 00
Public Celebrations	91,400 00	67,869 00	67,869 00
Public Works, Central Office	48,212 19	60,677 55	59,273 29
Public Works, Automotive Division	566,102 14	925,291 76	724,189 68
Total	\$4,884,412 56	\$6,056,151 05	\$5,285,880 96
PUBLIC SAFETY			
Police Department	\$12,118,964 00	\$13,487,313 00	\$13,294,530 00
Fire Department	9,520,321 50	11,069,292 29	10,559,245 50
Electrical Inspection Division	147,542 22	156,649 41	153,186 34
Building Department	406,713 62	491,422 42	426,877 31
Board of Appeal	23,751 13	23,632 06	23,073 40
Board of Examiners	7,544 03	7,260 93	7,077 60
Weights and Measures Department	81,392 00	92,604 09	84,834 99
Licensing Board	104,393 50	113,235 58	109,330 22
Civil Defense Activities	51,500 00	237,170 00	76,173 74
Total	\$22,462,122 90	\$25,678,579 78	\$24,734,329 10
HIGHWAYS			
Public Works Department: Bridge Service	\$1,195,062 10	\$1,856,659 13	\$1,147,145 17
Lighting Service	1,085,152 69	1,355,207 13	1,266,829 03
Paving Service	1,832,296 00	2,243,474 45	1,902,645 00
Snow Removal	300,000 00	400,000 00	400,000 00
Street Laying-Out Department	244,675 72	350,378 63	261,105 02
Boston Traffic Commission	576,738 59	794,409 37	660,867 95
Total	\$5,233,925 10	\$7,000,128 71	\$5,638,592 17
SANITATION			
Public Works Department: Sewer Service	\$949,735 05	\$1,025,757 40	\$845,013 77
Sanitary Service	5,080,745 51	5,536,556 28	5,187,185 00
Total	\$6,030,480 56	\$6,562,313 68	\$6,032,198 77
HEALTH			
Health Department	\$1,592,057 70	\$1,764,614 83	\$1,687,288 29
Federal Public Health Program	38,430 00	27,636 46	27,636 46
Total	\$1,630,487 70	\$1,792,251 29	\$1,714,924 75
HOSPITALS			
Hospital Department	\$10,667,839 45	\$13,441,145 00	\$11,134,709 00
Sanatorium Division	2,151,172 10	2,955,320 00	2,422,935 00
Institutions Department: Long Island Hospital	1,765,442 60	2,903,977 42	2,048,327 50
Eastern Avenue Wharf	13,480 00	—	—
Steamers	98,913 00	—	—
Total	\$14,696,847 15	\$19,300,442 42	\$15,605,971 50

PUBLIC WELFARE			
	1951	1952	1952
	Appropriations	Department	Allowances
		Estimates	
Public Welfare Department:			
Central Office	\$19,348,319 15	\$19,685,944 78	\$19,530,985 30
Temporary Home	51,020 06	52,909 65	50,963 69
Wayfarers' Lodge	40,056 53	36,975 86	35,012 25
Institutions Department:			
Central Office	79,068 51	89,753 28	84,674 93
Child Welfare Division	682,666 60	811,043 53	751,939 41
Department of Veterans' Services	1,601,339 45	1,781,670 18	1,697,971 39
Total	\$21,802,470 30	\$22,458,297 28	\$22,151,546 97
LIBRARIES			
Library Department	\$2,825,197 00	\$3,602,735 00	\$3,257,221 00
RECREATION			
Board of Recreation	\$12,000 00	\$15,000 00	\$12,000 00
Park Department	2,931,995 00	3,845,436 75	3,216,649 00
Total	\$2,943,995 00	\$3,860,436 75	\$3,228,649 00
ENTERPRISES			
Public Works Department:			
Ferry Service	\$370,788 00	\$418,085 60	\$369,919 59
Boston Housing Authority	27,000 00	27,000 00	27,000 00
City Record, Publication of	48,355 00	51,842 48	50,617 48
Total	\$446,143 00	\$496,928 08	\$447,537 07
UNCLASSIFIED			
Market Division	\$29,823 84	\$31,342 97	\$30,872 97
Park Department, Cemctery Division	256,219 16	400,169 88	333,148 08
Workmen's Compensation Service	28,270 36	34,293 66	33,782 00
Workmen's Compensation	125,000 00	150,000 00	150,000 00
Municipal Employment Bureau	23,596 00	24,690 52	24,690 52
Art Department	3,045 00	2,917 00	2,917 00
Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reim- bursements	250,000 00	275,000 00	260,000 00
Board of Real Estate Commissioners	95,146 96	151,500 00	94,047 96
Reserve Fund	250,000 00	250,000 00	150,000 00
Pensions and Annuities	2,675,536 00	3,030,709 51	2,950,000 00
Care of Veterans' Graves	14,326 66	15,204 83	18,174 16
Bond Allotment Plan	51,000 00	59,783 73	60,000 00
Civie Improvement Committee	—	7,500 00	7,500 00
Total	\$3,801,963 98	\$4,433,112 10	\$4,115,132 69

RECAPITULATION

	1951	1952	1952
	Appropriations	Department	Allowances
		Estimates	
GENERAL GOVERNMENT	\$4,884,412 56	\$6,056,151 05	\$5,285,880 96
PUBLIC SAFETY	22,462,122 90	25,678,579 78	24,734,329 10
HIGHWAYS	5,233,925 10	7,000,128 71	5,638,592 17
SANITATION	6,030,480 56	6,562,313 68	6,032,198 77
HEALTH	1,630,487 70	1,792,251 29	1,714,924 75
HOSPITALS	14,696,847 15	19,300,442 42	15,605,971 50
PUBLIC WELFARE	21,802,470 30	22,458,297 28	22,151,546 97
LIBRARIES	2,825,197 00	3,602,735 00	3,257,221 00
RECREATION	2,943,995 00	3,860,436 75	3,228,649 00
ENTERPRISES	446,143 00	496,928 08	447,537 07
UNCLASSIFIED	3,801,963 98	4,433,112 10	4,115,132 69
TOTAL	\$86,758,045 25	\$101,241,376 14	\$92,211,983 98

COUNTY MAINTENANCE
SUMMARY
BY FUNCTION AND ORGANIZATION UNITS

GENERAL GOVERNMENT			
	1951	1952	1952
	Appropriations	Department	Allowances
		Estimates	
Miscellaneous Expenses:			
Auditing Department	\$36,934 11	\$34,755 87	\$34,344 65
Budget Department	24,212 08	22,823 82	17,049 18
Collecting Department	700 00	700 00	700 00
Treasury Department	6,795 00	6,931 68	6,931 68
Registry of Deeds	359,583 90	384,440 37	371,915 05
Index Commissioners	42,360 21	47,631 27	43,275 47
Courthouse Custodian	605,059 74	634,542 08	593,060 97
County Buildings	183,776 64	250,702 95	184,505 41
Total	\$1,259,421 68	\$1,382,528 04	\$1,251,782 41

CORRECTION			
	1951	1952	1952
	Appropriations	Department Estimates	Allowances
Jail	\$419,975 96	\$481,307 94	\$421,698 98
Penal Institutions Department:			
Central Office	69,550 49	70,731 61	68,122 79
House of Correction	864,335 44	1,084,236 23	866,452 42
Middlesex County Training School	60,000 00	60,000 00	60,000 00
	<u>\$1,413,861 89</u>	<u>\$1,696,275 78</u>	<u>\$1,416,274 19</u>

CENTRAL COURTS			
Supreme Judicial Court	\$75,611 65	\$88,590 47	\$85,284 75
Superior Court, Civil Session, General Expenses	599,277 58	663,027 02	661,004 39
Superior Court, Civil Session, Clerk's Office	316,197 81	331,395 34	327,283 48
Superior Court, Criminal Session	644,591 56	714,951 27	710,582 94
Municipal Court, City of Boston	719,537 57	826,713 94	808,679 79
Boston Juvenile Court	70,188 17	81,491 66	78,444 46
Probate Court	53,954 00	59,068 00	58,662 01
	<u>\$2,479,358 34</u>	<u>\$2,765,237 70</u>	<u>\$2,729,941 82</u>

DISTRICT COURTS			
Municipal Court, Charlestown	\$54,239 64	\$57,262 31	\$56,517 70
East Boston District Court	54,986 22	59,122 22	58,189 78
Municipal Court, South Boston	61,107 59	66,353 06	65,237 08
Municipal Court, Dorchester	85,744 65	93,524 90	91,725 02
Municipal Court, Roxbury	196,788 13	217,622 62	208,117 83
Municipal Court, West Roxbury	63,802 50	69,271 64	67,076 54
Municipal Court, Brighton	44,556 29	50,950 98	48,065 00
District Court of Chelsea	65,519 41	69,661 22	68,713 50
	<u>\$626,744 43</u>	<u>\$683,768 95</u>	<u>\$663,642 45</u>

MEDICAL EXAMINATIONS			
Medical Examiner Service, Northern Division	\$37,650 08	\$40,800 00	\$39,125 91
Medical Examiner Service, Southern Division	26,493 28	29,627 28	28,759 50
Associate Medical Examiner Service, Northern Division	3,532 50	3,532 50	3,532 50
Associate Medical Examiner Service, Southern Division	3,577 50	3,677 50	3,577 50
	<u>\$71,253 36</u>	<u>\$77,637 28</u>	<u>\$74,995 41</u>

UNCLASSIFIED			
Social Law Library	\$1,000 00	—	—
Insanity Cases	50,215 00	\$50,215 00	\$50,215 00
Miscellaneous Expenses, Sheriff	7,825 00	7,935 00	7,935 00
Pensions and Annuities	91,000 00	91,189 77	95,000 00
	<u>\$150,040 00</u>	<u>\$149,339 77</u>	<u>\$153,150 00</u>

RECAPITULATION			
GENERAL GOVERNMENT	\$1,259,421 68	\$1,382,528 04	\$1,251,782 41
CORRECTION	1,413,861 89	1,696,275 78	1,416,274 19
CENTRAL COURTS	2,479,358 34	2,765,237 70	2,729,941 82
DISTRICT COURTS	626,744 43	683,768 95	663,642 45
MEDICAL EXAMINATIONS	71,253 36	77,637 28	74,995 41
UNCLASSIFIED	150,040 00	149,339 77	153,150 00
GRAND TOTAL	<u>\$6,000,679 70</u>	<u>\$6,754,787 52</u>	<u>\$6,289,786 28</u>

INCOME DEPARTMENTS
ENTERPRISES

	1951	1952	1952
	Appropriations	Department Estimates	Allowances
Public Works Department:			
Water Service	\$2,570,586 69	\$2,810,167 63	\$2,605,568 00
Collecting Department:			
Water Division	188,374 66	194,604 29	190,735 13
Public Works Department:			
Summer Tunnel	524,546 44	607,300 59	551,506 16
Printing Department	906,001 73	921,452 18	917,802 35
Pensions and Annuities	61,503 73	79,936 01	70,000 00
	<u>\$4,251,013 25</u>	<u>\$4,613,460 70</u>	<u>\$4,335,611 64</u>

GRAND SUMMARY			
CITY MAINTENANCE	\$86,758,045 25	\$101,241,376 14	\$92,211,983 98
COUNTY MAINTENANCE	6,000,679 70	6,754,787 52	6,289,786 28
TOTAL (Raised in tax levy)	<u>\$92,758,724 95</u>	<u>\$107,996,163 66</u>	<u>\$98,501,770 26</u>

The following amounts for Income Departments, which are self-supporting, do not require appropriations in the tax levy.

INCOME DEPARTMENTS	\$4,251,013 25	\$4,613,460 70	\$4,335,611 64
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APPROPRIATIONS AND TAX ORDERS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 1952.

Ordered, That to meet the current expenses payable during the financial year beginning with the first day of January, 1952, 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; that the appropriation for the Sumner 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 appropriations for the maintenance and operation of parking meters, and the regulation of parking and other traffic activities incident thereto, be met by the income from parking meter fees; that the other appropriations hereinafter specified be met out of the money remaining in the treasury at the close of business on December 31, 1951, 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, 1952; 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 1952, or for any other taxes or assessments payable to the Commonwealth, shall be due and payable on July first of each year. Interest shall be charged at the rate of 4 per cent per annum and computed from October first, 1952, on all real estate and personal property taxes remaining unpaid after November first, 1952, and assessed and payable in the year 1952 before said November first, 1952, 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 Committee on Appropriations and Finance, when appointed.

CONSTABLE'S BOND.

The constable's bond of Carmine J. Lauria, having been duly approved by the City Treasurer, was received and referred to the Executive Committee.

NOTICES FROM DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.

A communication was received from the Department of Public Utilities transmitting copy of order granting the petition of the Boston Edison Company to exempt from the operation of the zoning law a parcel of land on Fremont street, Dorchester, to the extent that it may be used for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a substation for distribution of electricity.

A communication was received from the Department of Public Utilities transmitting copy of order granting the petition of the Boston Edison Company to exempt from the operation of the zoning law a parcel of land on Binney street, and a parcel of land running from Brookline avenue, Roxbury, to the extent that said parcels may be used for construction, maintenance, and operation of a substation for distribution of electricity.

Severally referred to the Executive Committee.

REPORT OF BOSTON FIREMEN'S RELIEF FUND.

The annual report of the treasurer of the Boston Firemen's Relief Fund, September 1, 1950, to August 31, 1951, was received and placed on file.

READJUSTMENT OF CERTAIN ASSESSMENT DISTRICTS.

A communication was received from the Chairman of the Board of Assessors concerning the readjustment of certain assessment districts in Ward 16.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

APPOINTMENT OF ALAN J. POTTER.

Notice was received from the Mayor of appointment of Alan J. Potter, 11 Century Lane, Milton,

to be a member of Board of Zoning Adjustment, vice C. Clark Macomber, term expired, for term ending April 30, 1956.

Placed on file.

RESCISSION OF ORDER FOR CONVEYANCE OF LAND IN EAST BOSTON.

President PIEMONTE called up, under unfinished business, No. 1 on the calendar, viz.:

1. Order rescinding order for conveyance of land in East Boston.

On January 21, 1952, the foregoing order was read once and passed, yeas 8, nays 0.

The order was given its second reading and passage, yeas 8, nays 0:

Yeas—Councillors Ahearn, Foley, Hailer, Hurley, Joyce, Kerrigan, Piemonte, White—8.

Nays—0.

RULES OF CITY COUNCIL FOR 1952-1953.

Coun. AHEARN, for the Committee on Rules, submitted a draft of the Rules of the City Council for 1952-1953.

The draft was referred to the Executive Committee.

PAYMENT OF SUM OF MONEY TO LAURENCE H. BANKS.

President PIEMONTE offered the following:

Resolved, That the City Council of Boston favors the consideration by the Legislature of the petition now held under Joint Rule 7B, providing for payment of a sum of money to Laurence H. Banks, provided that any legislation enacted includes a referendum to the Mayor and City Council.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

CONTRACTS WITH G. L. RUGO & SONS, INC., AND/OR RUGO CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, INC.

Coun. AHEARN offered the following:

Ordered, That His Honor the Mayor request the Boston Housing Authority to withhold payment of all money or monies which are due and payable, and not yet actually paid, by the City

of Boston and/or the Boston Housing Authority to G. L. Rugo & Sons, Inc., and/or Rugo Construction Company, Inc., until the City Council is able to inform itself of the propriety of the negotiations for, and the execution of, all contracts made with said companies or corporations by the City of Boston and the Boston Housing Authority.

Coun. AHEARN offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request the chairman of the Boston Housing Authority to appear before the Executive Committee of the Boston City Council, for the purpose of informing the Council of all facts relative to the negotiation and granting of any and all contracts by the Boston Housing Authority to G. L. Rugo & Sons, Inc., and/or Rugo Construction Company, Inc., and the manner in which said contracts are being executed by said companies or corporations.

Severally referred to the Executive Committee.

REVISION OF PARKING REGULATIONS
IN EAST BOSTON.

Coun. HAILER offered the following:

Whereas, The East Boston section of Boston is densely populated; and

Whereas, The residents of this district are continually being penalized due to lack of garage space; and

Whereas, Over 3,500 parking tags were placed upon the cars of the residents since the first of the year; therefore, be it

Ordered, That the Traffic Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to revise the parking regulations in East Boston with a view to designating various streets throughout the district as "All-Night Parking Streets."

The order was referred to the Executive Committee.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF
SERGT. FREDERICK T. KELLEY.

Coun. HAILER and AHEARN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to name the section at the junction of Allston and Washington streets, Ward 21, Sergt. Frederick T. Kelley Square, in honor of Sergt. Frederick T. Kelley, a member of the United States Air Force who gallantly made the supreme sacrifice in the Burma Theater on April 4, 1944.

The order was referred to the Executive Committee.

RECESS.

On motion of Councillor Foley the Council voted to take a recess at 3.22 P.M., subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled in the Council Chamber and were called to order by President PIEMONTE at 8.15 P.M.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

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

1. Report on petition of Nellie A. Gallishaw (referred January 7) to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, Abraham P. Gallishaw, late member of the Police 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 \$1,500 be allowed and paid to Nellie A. Gallishaw, widow of Abraham P. Gallishaw, a member of the Police Department who died on December 15, 1951, 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 Police Department, Pensions and Annuities.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

2. Report on petition of Anna E. Reilly (referred January 21) to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, Thomas P. Reilly, 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 \$1,500 be allowed and paid to Anna E. Reilly, widow of Thomas P. Reilly, a member of the Fire Department, who died on December 19, 1951, 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.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

3. Report on resolution (referred January 28) favoring passage of legislation authorizing city to pay certain compensation to Rita Sullivan—recommending adoption of the resolution in the following new draft:

Resolved, That the City Council of Boston favors consideration by the Legislature of a petition now held under Joint Rule 7B, providing for payment of certain compensation to Rita Sullivan, a former employee of the Boston Sanatorium, who is now permanently disabled by reason of sickness contracted by her in the performance of her work at said sanatorium, provided that any legislation enacted shall include a referendum to the Mayor and City Council.

The report was accepted, and the resolution in the new draft was adopted.

4. Report on order (referred January 28) requesting that the Mayor consult with the Trustees of Public Library in regard to reconsidering plan of payment by check to employees of Public Library—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

5. Report on order (referred January 28) increasing pension of Thomas E. Goggin from \$21.60 to \$23.52 a week, retroactive to date of acceptance of chapter 781 of Acts of 1951—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

6. Report on communication (referred today) from the Board of Assessors concerning readjustment of certain assessment districts—that communication be placed on file.

The report was accepted, and the communication was placed on file.

7. Report on order (referred today) that square at Allston and Washington streets be named in honor of Sergt. Frederick T. Kelley—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

8. Report on resolution (referred today) for payment of sum of money to Laurence H. Banks—recommending adoption of the resolution.

The report was accepted, and the resolution was adopted.

9. Report on constable's bond of Carmine J. Lauria (referred today)—recommending that bond be approved.

The report was accepted, and the bond was approved.

10. Report on draft of Rules of the City Council for 1952-1953 (referred today)—recommending adoption of the rules in the following new draft:

RULES OF THE CITY COUNCIL, 1952-1953.

Rule 1. Unless otherwise ordered from time to time, and except on holidays, the regular meeting of the city council shall be held on every Monday at two o'clock P.M. Special meetings may be called by the president at his discretion, and by the city clerk for the purpose only of drawing jurors. No special meeting of the city council, except to draw jurors, shall be called, except with the consent of all the members, upon less notice than twenty-four hours from the time the notices are mailed or dispatched by special messenger.

Quorum.

Rule 2. A quorum of the city council shall consist of five members. If, at the time any meeting is called to order, or if, during a meeting, on a vote on the adoption of a motion or order, a roll call shows less than a quorum present, the president

may declare a recess of not more than ten minutes, after which time, if a quorum is not present, the meeting shall be adjourned. If, on the question of lack of a quorum a roll call shows less than a quorum present, the president shall declare the meeting adjourned.

President.

Rule 3. The president of the council shall take the chair at the hour to which the council shall have adjourned and shall call the members to order, and a quorum being present, shall proceed with the regular order of business. In the absence of the president the senior member by age present shall preside as temporary president, or until a presiding officer is chosen.

Rule 4. The president shall preserve decorum and order, may speak to points of order in preference to other members and shall decide all questions of order, subject to an appeal. Any member may appeal from the decision of the chair, but no appeal shall be considered unless properly seconded. No other business, except a motion to adjourn or to lay on the table, shall be in order until the question on appeal has been decided.

The question shall be put as follows:

"Shall the decision of the chair stand as the judgment of the council?" The vote shall be by a roll call, and it shall be decided in the affirmative unless a majority of the votes are to the contrary.

The president may, at any time, during debate or otherwise, declare a recess for not more than ten minutes, and such action shall not be subject to appeal, nor shall any motions apply thereto.

Rule 5. The president shall propound all motions in the order in which they are moved, unless the subsequent motion shall be previous in its nature, except that, in naming sums and fixing times, the largest sum and the longest time shall be put first.

Rule 6. The president shall, at the request of any member, make a division of a question when the sense will admit of it.

Rule 7. The president shall, without debate, decide all questions relating to priority of business to be acted upon.

Rule 8. The president shall declare all votes; but if any member doubts a vote, the president shall cause a rising vote to be taken, and, when two members so request, shall cause the vote to be taken or verified by yeas and nays.

Rule 9. The president shall appoint all committees, fill all vacancies therein, and designate the rank of the members thereof.

Rule 10. When the president of the council or the president pro tempore shall desire to vacate the chair he may call any member to it; but such substitution shall not continue beyond an adjournment.

Motions.

Rule 11. Every motion shall be reduced to writing if the president shall so direct.

Rule 12. A motion to strike out and insert shall be deemed indivisible; but a motion to strike out being lost shall not preclude amendment, or a motion to strike out and insert.

Rule 13. No motion or proposition of a subject different from that under consideration shall be admitted under color of amendment.

Any motion, order or resolution which in the opinion of the presiding officer does not have a direct bearing on the business of the council shall be referred without debate to the committee on rules and shall not be further considered by the council except upon report by that committee. There shall be no appeal from the decision of the chair hereunder, and this rule shall not be subject to suspension. No motions shall apply, nor shall unanimous consent to speak on the matter so referred be in order.

The committee on rules may report that any motion, order or resolution so referred to it is out of order because not having a direct bearing on the business of the council, and its report shall be a final disposition of the matter, subject to an appeal which shall be governed by the same provisions as those governing appeals from rulings of the presiding officer.

Rule 14. When a petition, order or resolution relates to a subject which may properly be examined and reported upon by an existing committee of the city council, such order or resolution shall, upon presentation, be referred to such committee. When a motion is made to refer any subject, and different committees are proposed, the motions shall be put in the following order:

1. To a standing committee of the council.

2. To a special committee of the council.

Any member offering a motion, order or resolution, which is referred to a committee, shall be given a bearing on the same by the committee before a report is made thereon, provided he so requests at the time of offering the order or before final action by the committee.

If, after thirty days, a matter referred to a committee other than a committee of all the members is not reported upon, it may be recalled by a standing vote of three members of the city council.

If, within thirty days, a matter referred to a committee other than a committee of all the members is not reported upon, it may be recalled by a majority vote of all the members.

If, after sixty days, a matter referred to a committee is not reported upon, any member may recall such matter from the committee, and such matter shall not again be committed to any committee other than the executive committee.

The provisions of this rule shall not apply to matters referred to the rules committee under Rule 13, and such matters shall not be considered except upon report by that committee.

Rule 15. After a motion has been put by the president it shall not be withdrawn except by unanimous consent.

Rule 16. When a question is under debate the following motions only shall be entertained, and shall have precedence in the order in which they stand arranged:

1. To adjourn.
2. To lay on the table.
3. The previous question.
4. To close debate at a specified time.
5. To postpone to a day certain.
6. To commit.
7. To amend.
8. To postpone indefinitely.

Rule 17. A motion to adjourn shall be in order at any time, except on an immediate repetition or pending a verification of a vote; and that motion, the motion to lay on the table, the motion to take from the table, and the motion for the previous question, shall be decided without debate.

Readings.

Rule 18. Every ordinance, order and resolution, unless reported upon by a committee or rejected, shall have two several readings, both of which may take place at the same session unless objection is made, provided, however, that all orders for the expenditure of moneys, unless reported upon by a committee of the council, shall lie over for one week before final action thereon. Whenever the second reading immediately follows the first reading, the document may be read by its title only. All orders releasing rights or easements in or restrictions on land, all orders for the sale of land other than school lands, all appropriations for the purchase of land other than for school purposes, and all loans voted by the city council shall require a vote of two-thirds of all the members of the city council, and shall be passed only after two separate readings and by two separate votes, the second of said readings and votes to be had not less than fourteen days after the first, except in cases in which a shorter period is authorized by law. Any order rescinding an order for any of the foregoing purposes shall require the same number of readings and of votes as was required for the passage of the original order.

Reconsideration.

Rule 19. When a vote has been taken any member may move a reconsideration thereof at the same meeting. Debate on motions to reconsider shall be limited to twenty minutes, and no member shall occupy more than four minutes, but on a vote upon any subsidiary or incidental question, debate shall be limited to ten minutes, and no member shall occupy more than two minutes.

Rule 20. When a motion to reconsider has been decided, that decision shall not be reconsidered, and no question shall be twice reconsidered unless it has been amended after the reconsideration; nor shall any reconsideration be had upon the following motions:

- To adjourn.
- The previous question.
- To lay on the table.
- To take from the table.
- To close debate at a specified time.

A motion to reconsider may be laid on the table or postponed indefinitely, and the effect of such action in either case shall be to defeat the motion to reconsider.

Conduct of Members.

Rule 21. Every member when about to speak shall rise, address the chair, and wait until he is recognized, and, in speaking, shall refrain from mentioning any other member by name, shall confine himself to the question, shall not use unbecoming, abusive, or unparliamentary language, and shall avoid personalities. Any member who, in debate or otherwise, indulges in personalities or makes charges reflecting upon the character of another member, shall make an apology in open session at the meeting at which the offence is committed or at the next succeeding regular meeting, and, failing to do so, shall be named by the president or held in contempt and suspended from further participation in debate until said apology is made.

Rule 22. No member shall speak more than once on a question when another member who has not spoken claims the floor, and no member speaking shall, without his consent, be interrupted by another, except upon a point of order.

Rule 23. No member shall be permitted to vote on any question, or to serve on any committee, where his private right is immediately concerned, distinct from the public interest.

Rule 24. Every member who shall be present when a question is put, unless he is excluded by interests, shall give his vote in the affirmative or negative or shall respond "present," unless the council for special reason shall excuse him from voting.

Standing Committees.

Rule 25. The following standing committees of the council, and all other committees, unless specially directed by the council, shall be appointed by the president:

1. A committee, to be known as the Executive Committee, to consist of all the members of the council.

2. A committee on Appropriations and Finance, to consist of five members of the council, to whom shall be referred such appropriation orders as may be submitted to the council from time to time, and all applications for expenditure which involve a loan.

3. A committee on Claims, to consist of five members of the council, to whom shall be referred all claims against the city arising from the act or neglect of any of its departments. They shall report annually an account of the claims awarded or approved by them, and the amount of money awarded or paid in settlements thereof.

4. A committee on Confirmations, to consist of five members of the council, to whom shall be referred all appointments which are required to be confirmed by the council.

5. A committee on Hospitals, to consist of five members of the council, to whom shall be referred all matters concerning hospitals.

6. A committee on Inspection of Prisons, to consist of five members of the council.

7. A committee on Legislative Matters, to consist of five members of the council, who shall, unless otherwise ordered, appear before the committees of the General Court and represent the interest of the city; provided, said committee shall not appear unless authorized by vote of the city council and shall not, unless directed so to do by the city council, oppose any legislation petitioned for by the preceding city council.

8. A committee on Licenses, to consist of five members of the council, to whom shall be referred all petitions for licenses and permits.

9. A committee on Ordinances, to consist of five members of the council, to whom shall be referred all ordinances or orders concerning ordinances.

10. A committee on Public Housing, to consist of five members of the council, to whom shall be referred all matters concerning public housing.

11. A committee on Public Lands, to consist of five members of the council, to whom shall be referred all matters relating to public lands.

12. A committee on Public Services and Recreation, to consist of five members of the council, to whom shall be referred all matters concerning public safety, public welfare, public works, parks, playgrounds and recreation.

13. A committee on Rules, to consist of five members of the council, to consider all matters concerning the rules, and to whom shall be referred all resolutions expressing opinions, principles, facts or purposes.

Order of Business.

Rule 26. At every regular meeting of the council the order of business shall be as follows:

1. Communications from his honor the mayor.
2. Presentation of petitions, memorials and remonstrances.
3. Reports of city officers, etc.
4. Unfinished business of preceding meetings.
5. Reports of committees.
6. Motions, orders and resolutions.

Spectators.

Rule 27. No person, except a member of the council, shall be permitted to occupy the seat of any member while the council is in session.

Rule 28. No person, excepting officials connected with the city council, and duly assigned reporters of the daily newspapers, shall be allowed in the anterooms or upon the floor of the council chamber while the council is in session. Spectators will be allowed in the gallery of the council chamber when the council is in session, and no one will be admitted to said gallery after the seats are occupied. No demonstrations of approval or disapproval from the spectators shall be permitted, and if such demonstrations are made the gallery will be cleared. The city messenger shall enforce this rule.

Burial Grounds.

Rule 29. No permission for the use of land for the purpose of burial shall be granted until a public hearing shall have been given by the executive committee of the city council on the application for such permission, after due notice has been given abutters.

Committee Meetings.

Rule 30. No meeting of any committee shall, without the consent of all the members thereof, be called upon less notice than twenty-four hours from the time the clerk shall have mailed the notices or dispatched them by special messenger, provided, however, that meetings of the executive committee may be held in the recess period of any meeting of the council without such consent or notice. No committee, unless authorized by an order of the city council, shall incur any expense. No committee meetings shall be called later than one hour immediately preceding the time set for any regular meeting of the city council, nor shall any committee remain in session later than the hour named for any such regular meeting.

Form of Votes.

Rule 31. In all votes the form of expression shall be "Ordered" for everything by way of command, and the form shall be "Resolved" for everything expressing opinions, principles, facts or purposes.

Transfers.

Rule 32. Every application for an appropriation to be provided for by transfer shall be referred to the executive committee, unless otherwise ordered, and no such appropriation shall be made until the said committee has reported thereon.

Use of Rooms on Council Floor.

Rule 33. No person except members and officers of the city council and regularly assigned city hall reporters shall be admitted at any time to the president's room, the personal offices of the councillors, executive committee room or council chamber, except when invited on official business or accompanied by a member of the council.

Confirmation of Appointments.

Rule 34. The question of confirming appointments by the mayor shall be decided by a yes and no ballot, unless otherwise ordered.

Amendment and Suspension.

Rule 35. The foregoing rules shall not be altered, amended, suspended or repealed at any time, except by the votes of two-thirds of all the members of the city council.

The report of the committee was accepted. The Rules, as reported by the Executive Committee, were adopted.

11. Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred January 28) for transfer of land on northwesterly side of Washington street, Dorchester, from Park Department to Board of Real Estate Commissioners — that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed, yeas 8, nays 0:

Yeas—Councillors Ahearn, Foley, Hailer, Hurley, Joyce, Kerrigan, Piemonte, White—8.
Nays—0.

12. Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred January 28) for transfer of land on Cumston street from Board of Real Estate Commissioners to Park Department for playground purposes—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed, yeas 8, nays 0:

Yeas—Councillors Ahearn, Foley, Hailer, Hurley, Joyce, Kerrigan, Piemonte, White—8.
Nays—0.

HOURS FOR REGISTRATION OF VOTERS.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Election Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to extend the present hours for the registration of voters until 9 P.M. on Monday

evening of each week, except during the months of June, July, and August.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES.

President PIEMONTE announced that he would appoint the committees of the City Council at the next meeting.

THANKS TO COMMITTEE ON RULES.

President PIEMONTE extended thanks to Councillors Ahearn, Foley and White for their work on the special committee to draft rules for proceedings of the City Council for the year 1952-1953.

Adjourned at 8.26 P.M., on motion of Councillor Hurley, to meet on Monday, February 11, 1952, 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 11, 1952.

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

The Rev. Roger Imperiale, O.F.M., P.P., St. Leonard of Port Maurice Catholic Church, 14 North Bennet street, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY REVEREND ROGER IMPERIALE.

We pray Thee, O God of Might, Wisdom and Justice, for whom authority is rightly administered, laws are enacted, and judgments decreed, assist with Thy holy spirit of counsel and fortitude the deliberations of this illustrious Body. May the light of Thy divine wisdom shine forth in all their proceedings. Give them the grace of Thy holy will. Grant them strength and courage to fulfill their duties so that their deliberations may tend to the preservation of peace, and the promotion of national happiness, and the perpetuation of the blessings of liberty. May all they do be for Thy greater honor and glory. Amen.

Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. Amen.

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 Edward C. Gurnon, 24 Bellflower street, Dorchester, and Samuel Schwartz, 7 Haylock street, Dorchester, as constables with authority to serve civil process upon filing of bond, for term ending April 30, 1952.

Severally referred to the Committee on Confirmations when appointed.

NAMING OF SERGT. FREDERICK T. KELLEY SQUARE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, February 11, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the secretary to the Board of Street Commissioners relative to your order of February 4, 1952, requesting to name that section at the junction of Allston and Washington streets, Ward 21, the Sergt. Frederick T. Kelley Square, in honor of Sergt. Frederick T. Kelley, a member of the United States Air Force, who gallantly made the supreme sacrifice in the Burma Theater on April 4, 1944.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,

Street Laying-Out Department,

February 8, 1952.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,

Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I acknowledge for the Committee to Memorialize Veterans receipt of your communication of February 6 together with City Council order, introduced by Councillors Hailer and Ahearn, requesting that the junction of Allston and Washington streets, Ward 21, be named in honor of the late Sergt. Frederick T. Kelley.

The next meeting of this committee will be held the early part of April at which time this request will be given consideration.

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

Placed on file.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

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

Claims.

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

Lionel K. Berig, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Abraham Bikofsky, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Boston Consolidated Gas Company for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

John Butrym, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

John C. Cawley, to be paid salary due him by Police Department.

Vito J. Costantino, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect in Blue Hill avenue.

Joseph G. DeNapoli, doing business as Knotty Pine Snack Bar, for compensation for damage to property at 1474 Columbus avenue caused by backing up of sewage.

John DiSciullo, for compensation for collapse of water boiler at 48 La Grange street caused by water being shut off.

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

Jacob S. Freedman, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Thomas J. Hoar, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him on account of his acts as employee of Sanitary Division.

Paul S. Lehtola, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Samuel Lourie, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect in Pine street.

Bernard C. MacDonald, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Frederick Masucci, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Paving Division.

William E. Moore, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Samuel Pino, for refund on victualler's license.

Robert F. Susan, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

The Texas Company, for compensation for damage to equipment at 20 Providence street caused by city truck.

Mary Tobin, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 646 Blue Hill avenue.

James H. Waugh, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Water Division.

Robert E. Betsey, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Francis L. Carley, for compensation for injuries by city truck.

Ernest N. Felzani, for compensation for damage to car by car of Fire Department.

Executive.

Petition of Boston Children's Theatre for children under 15 years of age to appear at New England Mutual Hall on February 16.

NOTICE FROM DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.

A communication was received from the Department of Public Utilities transmitting corrected copy of order granting the petition of Boston Edison Company for exemption from zoning law for substation on Fremont street, Dorchester.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

ABSENCE OF MAYOR FROM CITY.

Notice was received from the Mayor of his absence from the city commencing February 6, to and including February 10.
Placed on file.

LEGISLATION 'RE SCHOOL DEPARTMENT CUSTODIANS.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:

Resolved, That the City Council of Boston favors the consideration by the Legislature of the petition now held under Joint Rule 7B, relative to the retirement of junior and senior custodians in the School Department of the City of Boston; provided that any such legislation enacted includes a referendum to the Mayor and City Council.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

RECESS.

On motion of Councillor White 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 Senior Member HURLEY at 4.40 P.M.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

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

1. Report on petition of Rapid Transit, Inc., for license to operate motor vehicles over St. Edward road, Metropolitan Transit Authority bus way, Boardman street and Saratoga street, East Boston—recommending reference of the petition to the Committee on Licenses.

The report was accepted, and the petition was referred to the Committee on Licenses when appointed.

2. Report on communication (referred February 4) from the Department of Public Utilities transmitting copy of order granting petition of Boston Edison Company for exemption from zoning law for substation on Binney street, Roxbury—recommending reference to the Committee on Ordinances.

Report accepted, and the communication was referred to the Committee on Ordinances when appointed.

Report on communication (referred February 4) from the Department of Public Utilities transmitting copy of order granting petition of the Boston Edison Company for exemption from zoning law for substation on Fremont street, Dorchester—recommending reference to the Committee on Ordinances.

Report on communication (referred today) from the Department of Public Utilities transmitting copy of corrected copy of order granting petition of Boston Edison Company for exemption from zoning law for substation on Fremont street, Dorchester—recommending reference to the Committee on Ordinances.

Reports accepted, and the communications were referred to the Committee on Ordinances when appointed.

3. Report on petition (referred today) of Boston Children's Theatre for children under 15 years of age to appear at New England Mutual Hall on February 15—recommending that permit be granted.

Report accepted; permit granted under usual conditions.

4. Report on petition (referred January 28) of 20th Century Billiard Company, 1231-1241 Hyde Park avenue, for license to operate bowling alleys on the Lord's Day—recommending reference to the Committee on Licenses.

The report was accepted, and the petition was referred to the Committee on Licenses when appointed.

5. Report on resolution (referred today) that City Council favors consideration by the Legislature of petition now held under Joint Rule 7B relative to retirement of junior and senior custodians in the School Department of Boston—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the resolution was adopted.

6. Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred January 21) for transfer of land on Bristol street from Fire Department to Chairman of Board of Real Estate Commissioners—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted. On motion of Councillor Ward the order was assigned to the next meeting.

7. Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred January 21) for transfer of land and building at 11 Wareham street from Fire Department to Chairman of Board of Real Estate Commissioners—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted. On motion of Councillor Ward the order was assigned to the next meeting.

8. Report on order (referred January 7) for continuance of temporary help in the City Council until the Council is organized—recommending passage of the order in the following new draft:

Ordered, That the temporary help in the employ of the city on January 7, 1951, under an order passed August 22, 1949, and approved by the Mayor August 23, 1949, authorizing the President of the City Council to employ certain temporary clerical assistants, be retained until February 13, 1952; and be it further

Ordered, That until the second Wednesday following the first Monday in January, 1953, the Clerk of Committees Department shall consist, in addition to the officers provided for in section 1, chapter 13, of the Revised Ordinances (1947), of not more than six temporary clerks and/or stenographers as provided for in the order adopted on August 22, 1949, to be appointed from time to time by the President at such salary as he may determine.

The report was accepted, and the order in the new draft was passed.

Adjourned at 4.46 P.M., on motion of Councillor Ward, to meet on Monday, February 13, 1952, 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 18, 1952.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 p.m., President PIEMONTE in the chair. Absent, Councillor White.

The Reverend Dunstan Stout, C.P., St. Gabriel's Catholic Monastery Parish, 159 Washington street, Brighton, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY REVEREND DUNSTAN STOUT.

Let us recall that we are in God's holy presence. Loving and gentle Savior, teach the members of this august Council that their authority is from Thee through the vote of the people. Teach them to fear no man, to fear no investigation, but only to fear Thee and Thy final judgment for their work. Teach them in time of stress to seek Thy counsel in humble and peaceful prayer. Teach them that in their time of difficulty to turn to Thee and to let them know that their every action is done in Thy presence and in Thy sight. And so we ask Thee, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, to fill us with Thy blessing that we may always serve Thee. Amen.

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:

Wheiger of Coal, for term ending April 30, 1952: Haigaz Krikorian, 884 East Broadway, South Boston.

Weighers of Goods, for term ending April 30, 1952: Irwin D. Lazarus, 130 West Selden street, Mattapan; Frank R. Freeman, 619 Walk Hill street, Mattapan.

Constable, with authority to serve civil process upon filing of bond, for term ending April 30, 1952: Eli Sternberg, 598 Harvard street, Mattapan.

Severally referred to the Committee on Confirmations when appointed.

REFUND OF SUM OF MONEY TO JACOB BANKOFF.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, February 13, 1952.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Corporation Counsel relative to your order of December 3, 1951, concerning the request that the sum of \$2,010, which was paid to the City of Boston in 1946, under the rules of the Boston Police Department, by Jacob Bankoff in reimbursement for salary paid to him when hospitalized and incapacitated as a result of injuries sustained through the negligence of an automobile operator while said Bankoff was in the performance of his duty as a member of said Police Department, be refunded to him inasmuch as this rule was abolished shortly thereafter.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Law Department, February 11, 1952.

Thomas P. McCusker,
Executive Secretary, Mayor's Office.

Subject: Order of City Council re Jacob Bankoff.
Dear Sir:

On December 3, 1951, the City Council passed an order that the sum of \$2,010 which was paid

to the City of Boston in 1946 by Jacob Bankoff, an officer of the Police Department, as reimbursement to the city for salary paid to him when hospitalized and incapacitated as a result of injuries sustained through the negligence of a third person while in the performance of his duties, be refunded to him. At the time the city was reimbursed, Rule 39, Section 5 (last paragraph), of the Rules and Regulations of the Police Department dated 1941, provided:

"Police officers receiving pay during absence from duty on account of injuries received either from the willful or negligent act of a third party, shall upon settlement of the claims against said third party, reimburse and pay back to the City of Boston the expense incurred by the department in their behalf, and the amount received by them as pay during the period of absence from duty caused by said injuries."

This part of the rule was abolished by the Police Department on February 10, 1948, two years after Bankoff reimbursed the city.

Under section 10 of chapter 291 of the Acts of 1906, the Police Commissioner was given the right to formulate rules concerning the department. These rules, so long as they do not conflict with any substantive rule of law, are rules and regulations by which the department and its officers are governed. Upon the revision of the rules, there is a rule of the department which states: "The establishment of these rules and regulations shall not affect any punishment or penalty incurred under any previously existing rule, regulation or order, any the provisions of these rules, so far as they are the same as those of existing rules or orders, shall be construed as a continuation thereof, and not as new rules."

Bankoff reimbursed the city under the rules which were in force and effect at the time said reimbursement was made. The mere fact that the rules were later changed so that under the present rules there is no right of reimbursement to the city under these same circumstances, is of no avail to Bankoff.

The order passed by the City Council should not be carried out for the reason that the City Council, by such an order, would be, in substance, formulating rules for the Police Department. The Council obviously has no such power.

Very truly yours,

WILLIAM L. BAXTER,
Corporation Counsel.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF CITY.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, February 18, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

In response to the order adopted by your Honorable Body on January 14, 1952, requesting a financial statement of the city as of January 1, 1952, I submit herewith a communication and report from the City Auditor providing the desired information.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Auditing Department,
February 18, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the following order adopted by the City Council at its meeting on January 14, 1952:

"Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor cause to have prepared and transmitted at the earliest convenience to the Council a financial statement of the City of Boston as of January 1, 1952," there is submitted herewith a "Summary of Receipts and Expenditures for the Fiscal Year 1951." This document indicates for 1951 the following:

1. Receipts of the Collecting Department.
2. City Budget Expenditures.
3. School Budget Expenditures.
4. Revenue Departments and Special Expenditures.
5. Loan Expenditures.
6. County Budget Expenditures.
7. Trust Fund Expenditures.

- 8. Recapitulation by Functions of Expenditures from City Treasury.
- 9. Funded Debt Changes.
- 10. Balance Sheet as of December 31, 1951.

Respectfully,
 CHARLES J. FOX,
 Auditor of City of Boston
 and County of Suffolk.

(Annexed was the detailed statement referred to.)
 Referred to the Executive Committee.

EAST BOSTON FERRY TOLLS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
 Office of the Mayor, February 18, 1952.
 To the City Council.
 Gentlemen:

The operating deficit of the ferry service for the year 1951 was \$305,634.87. This is the largest deficit with the exception of the year 1949, in which year three ferryboats were operating rather than the two now in operation.

Since 1949, the passenger load on the ferries has dropped over 70,000. The average daily passenger count is now 1,060. Presuming that most of the passengers use the ferries both coming from and going to East Boston and the mainland, this average load would be reduced to about 600 passengers making daily use of the ferries. Although there has been a slight increase in the use of the ferry system by automobiles, this is probably for the reason that it costs less to use the ferry system than the Summer Tunnel.

It is questionable whether this facility should be maintained by the city in the face of continuing and increasing deficits, and in the face of the limited number of users who take advantage of it. Certainly, when the usefulness of the present two boats has been outlived, the question of investing approximately a million dollars for a ferryboat or terminating the ferry service must be given careful study.

For the present, I am strongly of the opinion that the rates both for foot passage and for vehicles should be increased. Foot passengers now pay one cent. I recommend that this be increased to five cents. Trucks and other vehicles now pay a varied charge from five to twenty-five cents. I recommend that these charges be increased to provide for a range in fees from ten cents to one dollar, and thus reduce, to some extent, the annual ferry deficit. This proposed schedule of rates is contained in the attached amendment to the ordinance which is herewith forwarded to your Honorable Body.

It is imperative to our city government that additional revenues be received to help meet increased costs of operation. I request prompt and favorable action in this matter by your Body. I recommend adoption of the accompanying ordinance.

Respectfully,
 J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston.

In the Year Nineteen Hundred and Fifty-Two.

An Ordinance, Concerning East Boston Ferry Tolls. Be it ordained by the City Council of Boston as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter 41 of the Revised Ordinances of 1947 is hereby amended by striking out section 24 and inserting in place thereof the following section:

Section 24. The tariff of tolls for passengers and vehicles upon the East Boston ferries is hereby established as follows:

Passengers.	
Foot passengers.....	\$0.05
Vehicles.	
One or more horse vehicle with driver.....	.10
Motorcycle with operator.....	.20
Passenger automobile with operator and with or without passengers.....	.20
Passenger automobile with operator and trailer.....	.20
Motor truck not exceeding two tons with operator.....	.20
Motor truck over two tons and not exceeding five tons with operator.....	.25
Motor truck over five tons and not exceeding ten tons with operator.....	.35

Motor truck over ten tons with operator..	\$1.00
Motor tractor with or without trailer not exceeding two tons with operator.....	.20
Motor tractor with trailer over five tons and not exceeding ten tons with operator.....	.35
Motor tractor with trailer over ten tons with operator.....	1.00
Motor bus with operator and with or without passengers.....	.35

Miscellaneous.

Hand cart.....	.10
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Funeral Processions.

Funeral processions shall pass free of tolls.

Fourth of July.

Foot passengers only will be given free transportation on ferries on Fourth of July.

SECT. 2. This ordinance shall take effect on April 1, 1952.

Referred to the Committee on Ordinances when appointed.

APPLICATION FOR FINAL ADVANCE OF FUNDS BY BOSTON HOUSING AUTHORITY.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
 Office of the Mayor, February 15, 1952.
 To the City Council.
 Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith a self-explanatory letter sent me under date of February 7, 1952, by James J. Mahar, Chairman of the Boston Housing Authority. Also enclosed is a resolution which I recommend that your Honorable Body adopt so that the city may secure final advance payments for the completion of the studies presently being made of the developing of areas in the Mattapan, West and South End Districts of Boston.

Respectfully,
 J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Boston Housing Authority,
 February 7, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
 Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

In connection with urban redevelopment and slum clearance, your Honor and the City Council have previously approved the following applications of this Authority to the Housing and Home Finance Agency:

1. An application for a reservation of \$2,982,770 in capital grant funds for urban redevelopment in Boston.

2. An application for a Preliminary Advance Contract in the amount of \$120,000 for Preliminary Studies in the West End, South End and Mattapan area.

The above applications were made and approved by the Housing and Home Finance Agency.

Under the Preliminary Advance Contract, the Urban Redevelopment Division of this Authority commenced the Preliminary Planning Studies in the three designated areas. The Preliminary Studies for the Mattapan area have been completed and the results of the studies are being prepared for formal submission to Washington. Inasmuch as the West End and South End are much larger study areas and because they present important problems, such as relocation of families and high land costs, it will take much longer to complete the Preliminary Studies for these areas. However, the Preliminary Studies are being undertaken and progress is being made.

To enable this Authority to undertake the necessary Final Planning and Survey Studies for the Mattapan area and for Final Studies in the West End and South End, which will develop into projects when the Preliminary Studies are completed in these areas, it will be necessary for this Authority to make an application to the Housing and Home Finance Agency for Final Advance Funds. Enclosed you will find copies of a resolution in the prescribed form approving the application for Final Advance or Advances of funds. If the resolution meets with your approval, will you submit it to the City Council for adoption.

Your early consideration will be appreciated.

Respectfully,
 JAMES J. MAHAR, Chairman.

RESOLUTION.

Whereas, It is necessary and in the public interest that the Boston Housing Authority avail itself of the financial assistance provided by Title I of the Housing Act of 1949 to assist local slum clearance and urban redevelopment projects; and

Whereas, It is necessary that surveys be made and other activities be performed preparatory to undertaking such projects; and

Whereas, It is recognized that Title I of the Housing Act of 1949 requires that contracts for financial assistance thereunder impose certain obligations and responsibilities upon local public agencies availing themselves of such financial assistance, including among other things:

1. The approval of the redevelopment plan by the governing body of the locality in which the project is situated, with appropriate findings

(a) That financial aid by the Federal Government is necessary;

(b) That the redevelopment plans for the redevelopment areas in the locality will afford maximum opportunity consistent with the sound needs of the locality as a whole, for the redevelopment of such areas by private enterprise; and

(c) That the redevelopment plan conforms to a general plan for the development of the locality as a whole.

2. The provision of local grants-in-aid;

3. The development of a feasible method for the relocation of families displaced from the project area; and

4. The several other local obligations and responsibilities that are imposed pursuant to Title I of the Housing Act of 1949 in connection with the undertaking and carrying out of slum clearance and urban redevelopment projects; and

Whereas, Pursuant to Title I every contract for a Federal capital grant will require local grants-in-aid in connection with the project which, together with the local grants-in-aid to be provided in connection with all other projects of the local public agency on which contracts for Federal capital grants have been made, will be at least equal to one third of the aggregate net project costs involved in such projects; and

Whereas, Such local grants-in-aid may be provided by a state, municipality or other public body, or by any other entity, and may consist of donations of cash, land, demolition or removal work, and streets, utilities, or other site improvements, and the provision of parks, playgrounds, and other public buildings or facilities which

1. Are primarily of direct benefit to the project and are necessary to serve or support the new uses of land in the project area or

2. Are of direct and substantial benefit both to the project and to other areas in the community; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Mayor and the City Council of the City of Boston as follows:

Section 1. That the financial assistance provided by Title I of the Housing Act of 1949 to assist local slum clearance and urban redevelopment projects is necessary; and

Section 2. That it is fully cognizant of the foregoing obligations and responsibilities that are imposed under contracts for financial assistance pursuant to Title I and it is the sense of this body that such obligations and responsibilities can and will be fulfilled; and

Section 3. That the filing of an application or applications by the Boston Housing Authority for financial assistance from the Housing and Home Finance Administrator under Title I for surveys and plans for the following general area or areas:

Area A — Mattapan district, bounded approximately as follows: By Cummins Highway, the New Haven Railroad, Blue Hill avenue, Almont street and the rear lot lines of Calvary Cemetery and Preventorium;

Area B — West End, bounded approximately as follows: By Charles street, Cambridge street, Staniford street, Causeway street and Nashua street; and

Area C — South End and inner Roxbury district, bounded approximately as follows: By Albany street, Broadway, Tremont street, New Haven Railroad, Roxbury street, Guild Row, Dudley street and Hampden street;

be, and is hereby, approved.

CERTIFICATE OF RECORDING OFFICER.

The undersigned hereby certifies as follows:

1. That he is the duly qualified and acting City Clerk of the City of Boston, herein called the "Municipality," and keeper of the records of the Municipality, including the journal of proceedings of the Boston City Council, herein called the "Governing Body";

2. That the attached resolution is a true and correct copy of the resolution as finally adopted at a meeting of the Governing Body held on the..... day of....., 19....., and duly recorded in his office;

3. That said meeting was duly convened and held in all respects in accordance with law and to the extent required by law due and proper notice of such meeting was given; that a legal quorum was present throughout the meeting, and a legally sufficient number of members of the Governing Body voted in the proper manner and for the adoption of said resolution; and all other requirements and proceedings under law incident to the proper adoption or passage of said resolution have been duly fulfilled, carried out and otherwise observed;

4. That if an impression of the seal has been affixed below, it constitutes the official seal of the Municipality and this certificate is hereby executed under such official seal. If no seal has been affixed below, the Municipality does not have and is not legally required to have an official seal.

5. That the undersigned is duly authorized to execute this certificate.

In WITNESS WHEREOF the undersigned has hereunto set his hand this.....day of....., 19.....

(SEAL) _____
Signature of Recording Officer.

ATTEST: _____
Title of Recording Officer.

Signature of Attesting Officer.

Title of Attesting Officer.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

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

Claims.

Lee Beeherer, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 4278 Washington street.

Stephen E. Bogue, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employe of Fire Department.

John J. Dwyer, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Cornelius J. Flynn, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Raymond D. Gentile, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

H. P. Hood & Sons, for compensation for damage to truck by city truck.

Anna Luddy, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect at St. Theresa avenue, West Roxbury.

John B. McEachern, for compensation for damage to car by sanitary truck.

Joseph E. O'Rourke, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect at 10 Oakley street.

Charles H. Resnick, for compensation for damage to car by fire truck.

William J. Russell, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Genevieve Williams and son, Arthur Williams, for compensation for injuries and damage to car by car of Police Department.

Frank Zuccaro, for compensation for damage to clothing caused by an alleged defect in City Council Chamber.

Executive.

Petition of Mary T. Cayting to be paid an annuity on account of death of her husband, Aubrey B. Cayting, late member of the Police Department.

CONSTABLE'S BOND OF MORTON L.
BARDFIELD.

The constable's bond of Morton L. Bardfield, having been duly approved by the City Treasurer, was received and referred to the Executive Committee.

NOTICES FROM DEPARTMENT OF
PUBLIC UTILITIES.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of continued hearing on February 25, 1952, on the petition of Rapid Transit, Inc., for license to operate motor vehicles over St. Edward road, Boardman street, and Swift street, East Boston.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held March 5 at 10.15 A.M. on propriety of rates and charges of the Peter Pan Bus Lines.

Referred to the Committee on Licenses when appointed.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of approval by department of petition of the Metropolitan Transit Authority of plan numbered S-b-14499, showing proposed modifications and changes in elevated structure in City square, Charlestown.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

BOARD FENCE FROM CASTLE ISLAND TO
FARRAGUT ROAD.

Coun. FOLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request the Port of Boston Authority to construct a solid board fence of attractive design from Castle Island to Farragut road, South Boston, along the William J. Day Boulevard, to replace the present chain-link fence which separates the Castle Island Terminal from Marine Park.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF
FRANCIS L. ASPESI.

Coun. HAILER 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 Babson and Tremont streets, Dorchester, in honor of Francis L. Aspesi, sergeant in the Army Air Corps, who died in the service of his country on February 27, 1944.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

LEGISLATION RE DEATH OF
LOUIS DISSA.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:

Resolved, That the City Council of Boston favors the consideration by the Legislature of the petition now held under Joint Rule 7B, which provides that the provisions of chapter 594 of the Acts of 1951 shall apply to the death of Louis DiSessa; provided that any such legislation enacted includes a referendum to the Mayor and City Council.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

RECESS.

On motion of Councillor Ward the Council voted at 2.28 P.M. to take a recess, subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled and were called to order by President PIEMONTE at 4.53 P.M.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

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

1. Report on communication (referred today) from Department of Public Utilities of continued

hearing on petition of Rapid Transit, Inc.—recommending reference to the Committee on Licenses.

The report was accepted, and the communication was referred to the Committee on Licenses.

2. Report on message of the Mayor and resolution (referred today) for Final Advance Funds from Housing and Home Finance Agency—recommending reference to the Committee on Public Housing.

The report was accepted, and the resolution was referred to the Committee on Public Housing.

3. Report on communication (referred today) from the Department of Public Utilities re approval by department of petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority of plan showing proposed modifications and changes in elevated structure in City square, Charlestown—recommending that same be placed on file.

The report was accepted, and the communication was placed on file.

4. Report on petition of Mary E. Kenney (referred December 17, 1951) to be paid annuity on account of the death of her husband, Thomas J. Kenney, member of the Police Department—recommending passage of the following:

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 89A of chapter 32 of the General Laws, an annuity of twenty-seven hundred and forty-eight dollars be allowed and paid to Mary E. Kenney, widow of Thomas J. Kenney, a member of the Police Department who died on January 28, 1950, on account of injuries received in the performance of his duty; said annuity being made up of allowances as follows:

For the widow, Mary E. Kenney, so long as she remains unmarried—\$1,500 per annum.

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—\$312 per annum:

Thomas Kenney, born October 6, 1937; John Kenney, born April 25, 1942; Patricia Ann Kenney, born March 18, 1944; Paul Kenney, born July 18, 1948;

provided, however, that if the widow remarries the annuity for each of the 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.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

5. Report on constable's bond (referred today) of Morton L. Bardfield—recommending approval of the bond.

The report was accepted, and the bond was approved.

6. Report on resolution (referred today) favoring consideration by the Legislature of petition providing that provisions of chapter 594 of Acts of 1951 apply to death of Louis DiSessa—recommending adoption of the resolution.

The report was accepted, and the resolution was adopted.

7. Report on order (referred today) that square at Babson and Tremont streets, Dorchester, be named in honor of Francis L. Aspesi—recommending passage of the order.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

8. Report on order (referred today) requesting Port of Boston Authority to construct solid board fence from Castle Island to Farragut road, South Boston, to replace chain-link fence—recommending passage of the order.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

TRANSFER OF LANDS TO CHAIRMAN,
BOARD OF REAL ESTATE COMMISSIONERS.

On motion of Councillor Hurley, the Council voted to take from the Calendar, under assignment, No. 1, viz.:

1. Order for transfer of land on Bristol street from the Fire Department to the Chairman of the Board of Real Estate Commissioners.

The question came on the passage of the order, and the order was passed, yeas 8, nays 0:

Yeas—Councillors Ahearn, Foley, Hailer, Hurley, Joyce, Kerrigan, Piemonte, Ward—8.

Nays—0.

On motion of Councillor Ahearn, the Council voted to take from the Calendar, under assignment, No. 2, viz.:

2. Order for transfer of land on Wareham street from the Fire Department to the Chairman of the Board of Real Estate Commissioners.

The question came on the passage of the order, and the order was passed, yeas 8, nays 0:

Yeas—Councillors Ahearn, Foley, Hailer, Hurley, Joyce, Kerrigan, Piemonte, Ward—8.

Nays—0.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES.

President PIEMONTE announced the appointment of Council committees as follows:

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Executive.

All the members, Councillor White, chairman, Councillor Ahearn, vice chairman.

On the following committees the first-named member is chairman and the second-named member is vice chairman.

Appropriations and Finance.

Councillors Ward, Ahearn, Joyce, White, Foley.

Claims.

Councillors Hailer, White, Hurley, Ahearn, Piemonte.

Confirmations.

Councillors Ahearn, White, Joyce, Ward, Kerrigan.

Hospitals.

Councillors Foley, Joyce, Ward, Hurley, White.

Inspection of Prisons.

Councillors Hailer, Ward, Foley, White, Kerrigan.

Legislative Matters.

Councillors Joyce, Hailer, Ahearn, Foley, White.

Licenses.

Councillors Joyce, Foley, Hurley, Kerrigan, Piemonte.

Ordinances.

Councillors Ward, Ahearn, Joyce, Kerrigan, Piemonte.

Public Housing.

Councillors Ahearn, Ward, Joyce, Kerrigan, Piemonte.

Public Lands.

Councillors Foley, Hailer, Hurley, Kerrigan, Ahearn.

Public Services and Recreation.

Councillors White, Foley, Hurley, Kerrigan, Hailer.

Rules.

Councillors Ahearn, White, Ward, Hailer, Joyce.

Placed on file.

ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF OLD SOUTH ASSOCIATION IN BOSTON.

Coun. AHEARN offered the following:

Ordered, That the City Council now proceed to the election of two members of the Old South Association in Boston.

The order was passed. The question came on the election of two members of the Old South Association. The roll was called with the following result:

For Councillors Foley and Kerrigan—Councillors Ahearn, Hailer, Hurley, Joyce, Piemonte, Ward—6.
For Councillor Foley—Councillor Kerrigan—1.
For Councillor Kerrigan—Councillor Foley—1.

—and Councillors Foley and Kerrigan each received seven votes and were declared elected members of the Old South Association.

BENEFITS TO MEMBERS OF BOSTON RETIREMENT SYSTEM.

Coun. KERRIGAN offered the following:

Resolved, That the City Council of Boston favors the consideration by the Legislature of the petition now held under Joint Rule 7B, which provides that members of the Boston Retirement System be given the same benefits as are allowed under the State-Boston Retirement System, provided that such legislation includes a referendum to the Mayor and City Council.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

LEGISLATION RE INCREASED PENSION FOR JOHN A. RUSSELL.

Coun. KERRIGAN offered the following:

Resolved, That the City Council of Boston favors the consideration by the Legislature of the petition now held under Joint Rule 7B, providing for an increase in the amount of pension payable to John A. Russell, a member of the Police Department of the City of Boston who was injured in the performance of his duties, which injury has permanently deprived him of the use of his left leg; provided that such legislation includes a referendum to the Mayor and City Council.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

ELIMINATION OF TROLLEY BUS STOP ZONES.

Coun. HAILER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to study whether the elimination of trolley bus stop zones is feasible and revert back to the original stops.

Referred to the Committee on Public Services and Recreation.

HEARINGS ON BUDGET.

Coun. WARD, as Chairman of the Committee on Appropriations, announced that the hearings by the committee on the annual budget submitted by the Mayor would start Wednesday, February 20, at 10 A.M., that all members of the Council were invited to attend and to ask any questions they see fit to ask, and that at a later date the Committee on Appropriations and Finance would meet with all civic organizations who have recommendations to make to that committee.

Adjourned at 5.13 P.M., on motion of Councillor Foley, to meet on Monday, February 25, 1952, 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 25, 1952.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President PIEMONTE in the chair and all the members present.

The Reverend Thomas J. Carroll, of the Catholic Guild for the Blind, 49 Franklin street, Boston, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY REV. THOMAS J. CARROLL.

O God, who has said, "Unless the Lord guard the city, they labor in vain who guard it," guard this city of ours. God, from whom all authority flows, assist this city government which you have allowed to be placed over us. Keep ever high their motivation, and keep ever present before them the needs of Your people, their people. God, from whom comes all wisdom, grant wisdom to their deliberations. Give them always the knowledge of the right, the wisdom to see the immediate and the final goals before them and the power to work toward these for Your glory and according to Your law. Let the Archangel Michael, whom You have placed over cities, protect this city and the men chosen to govern it. May St. Botolph protect Boston and them. Amen.

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 for term ending April 30, 1952:

Weigher of Goods; Franklin L. Stevens, 33 Elm street, Salem; Leslie C. Wheeler, 153 Allston street, Medford.

Constables, with authority to serve civil process upon filing of bond: Louis Levin, 40 Lawrence avenue, Roxbury; George A. Baird, Jr., 23 Waterford street, Boston.

Severally referred to the Committee on Confirmations.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF FRANCIS L. ASPESSI.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, February 21, 1952.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the secretary of the Board of Street Commissioners relative to your order of February 18, 1952, requesting the changing of the name of the square at the corner of Babson and Fremont streets, Dorchester, in honor of Francis L. Aspessi. Sergeant Aspessi died in the service of his country on February 27, 1944, in the Army Air Corps.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,

Board of Street Commissioners.

February 21, 1952.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I acknowledge for the Committee to Memorialize Veterans receipt of your communication of February 19, 1952, together with copy of order introduced by Councillor Hailer requesting that the intersection of Babson and Fremont streets, Dorchester, be named in honor of the late Francis L. Aspessi.

The next meeting of this committee will be held the early part of April, at which time this request will be given every consideration.

Incidentally, the order as forwarded to this office designated the square at the corner of Babson and Tremont streets, Dorchester. The name (Tremont) was apparently a typographical error. It should be Fremont instead of Tremont. Kindly advise Walter Malloy so that he can amend his records accordingly.

Very truly yours,

L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

Placed on file.

SALE OF PORTION OF FRANKLIN FIELD TO BOSTON HOUSING AUTHORITY.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, February 25, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

There is pending before your Honorable Body an order for sale of a certain portion of Franklin Field to the Boston Housing Authority for the sum of \$163,750. Upon the consummation of this sale of land, the Boston Housing Authority will proceed to construct, with the approval of the State Housing Authority, permanent apartments to accommodate 588 veterans and their families upon the site in question.

Your Body has delayed giving its approval to this order for the reason, as I understand it, that there is no assurance that the sum to be realized will not be transferred to purposes other than park purposes. In this connection you have requested and have received an opinion from the Corporation Counsel.

Completely aside from this opinion, and regardless of the legal technicalities involved, your Body may rest assured that the sum received by the city in this present transaction will be used solely for park purposes. None of it will be devoted or transferred to any other activity, grave emergency being excepted.

In view of the still acute nature of our housing situation in Boston, and the need for effective action, I respectfully request that your Honorable Body give its approval, at today's session, to the pending order on this subject. Only by prompt, cooperative action on all fronts may we begin to meet the need on the part of veterans for suitable and economical housing accommodations.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

APPROPRIATION FROM PARKING METER FEES FOR OFF-STREET PARKING AREAS, ETC.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, February 25, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

At the present time there is a balance in excess of four hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$450,000) in the special account to which is credited receipts from parking meter fees. Under the provisions of chapter 776 of the Acts of 1949 such a balance may be used to acquire and develop off-street parking areas and facilities.

In my opinion, this authority should be utilized to create off-street parking spaces contiguous to important shopping centers in suburban sections throughout the city. The Board of Real Estate Commissioners is preparing a program of this character which will embrace, with the balance now available, at least five parking areas in various sections of the city.

In the belief that the development of such a program will be of distinct benefit to suburban shopping centers, I submit herewith an order providing for an appropriation of four hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$450,000) from the special account "Parking Meter Fees" to permit as herein outlined the establishment of off-street parking areas and facilities in various suburban districts.

I respectfully recommend the adoption of this order as herewith submitted.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 22B of chapter 40 of the General Laws as established by chapter 776 of the Acts of 1949 the sum of four hundred and fifty thousand dollars be, and hereby is, appropriated from the special account "Parking Meter Fees" to be expended by the Board of Real Estate Commissioners for acquiring off-street parking areas and facilities and constructing or reconstructing and surfacing such areas and facilities.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Finance.

TRANSFER OF LAND ON HOMER STREET, EAST BOSTON.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, February 25, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

In December, 1949, the City of Boston acquired by eminent domain a certain parcel of land at 62 Homer street, East Boston, for the purpose of relocating thereon under St. 1949, c. 191 (as amended by St. 1949, c. 734), a dwelling house within the location of the recently completed East Boston Rapid Transit Extension. All movable dwellings in the path of that extension were subsequently relocated without using the above-mentioned parcel. Transmitted herewith is a communication from the Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Metropolitan Transit Authority notifying your Honorable Body of that Authority's determination that the land in question is no longer required for the aforesaid purpose.

It is provided by St. 1943, c. 434, s. 2A, as inserted by St. 1951, c. 159, that upon receipt of such notice your Honorable Body, by a two-thirds vote of all its members, may, with the approval of the Mayor, transfer the care, custody, management, and control of such land to the Chairman of the Board of Real Estate Commissioners. Thereupon, the land, or any portion thereof, or any interest therein, may be let, leased, or sold in the same manner as foreclosed tax title property. The public interest would seemingly be best served if the statute just cited were invoked in the instant case. Accordingly, I recommend the adoption by your Honorable Body of the order submitted herewith.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Metropolitan Transit Authority,

February 20, 1952.

To the Honorable the City Council.

Gentlemen:

As authorized and directed by vote of the Board of Trustees of the Metropolitan Transit Authority, a certified copy of which vote is annexed hereto and made a part hereof, I hereby notify you on behalf of said Authority that the land described in said vote is no longer required for the specific purpose for which it is held by the City of Boston.

Respectfully yours,

WALTER J. WALDRON,

Chairman of the Board of Trustees
of the Metropolitan Transit Authority.

I, Emma E. Mullen, Recording Secretary of the Board of Trustees of the Metropolitan Transit Authority, hereby certify that at a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Metropolitan Transit Authority, acting under the provisions of chapter 544 of the Acts of 1947 as amended, duly called and held on the twentieth day of February, 1952, at which a quorum was present, the following votes were adopted unanimously:

On motion, duly made and seconded, it was

Voted, That it be, and hereby is, determined that the hereinafter-described land, which is held by the City of Boston for the purposes of St. 1949, c. 191, as amended by St. 1949, c. 734, but has ceased to be used for said purposes, is no longer required for said purposes, to wit: the land shown as Parcel IX on plan (No. 18467) by J. A. Berrigan, Designing Engineer, and Arthur V. Lynch, Engineer of Subways, dated December 16, 1949, entitled "City of Boston by Metropolitan Transit Authority, Agent—Plan of Land in the East Boston District—Harmony, Milton, Moore, Horace, Homer Streets and Barnes Avenue," and recorded with Suffolk Deeds, Book 6570, page 382, to wit, the land bounded and described as follows: Beginning at point "U" on the northwesterly side

line of Homer street, one hundred and no hundredths (100.00) feet distant northeasterly from the intersection of the northeasterly line of Moore street and the northwesterly line of Homer street; thence running northwesterly along land now or formerly of Margaret E. Shea and others, one hundred and no hundredths (100.00) feet to point "V"; thence running northeasterly along land now or formerly of Margaret A. Rogers and others, fifty and no hundredths (50.00) feet to point "W"; thence running southeasterly along land now or formerly of Edward J. McLaughlin, one hundred and no hundredths (100.00) feet to point "X"; thence running southwesterly on Homer street fifty and no hundredths (50.00) feet to the point of beginning; containing five thousand (5,000) square feet of land, more or less.

On motion, duly made and seconded, it was

Voted, That the Chairman of the Board of Trustees be, and he hereby is, authorized and directed to give on behalf of the Authority to the City Council of the City of Boston notice of the determination made in the foregoing vote.

A true copy.

Attest:

EMMA E. MULLEN,
Recording Secretary of the
Board of Trustees of the
Metropolitan Transit Authority.

Whereas, Since the recording on December 16, 1949, with Suffolk Deeds, Book 6570, page 382, of a certain order of taking, the City of Boston has held for the purposes of St. 1949, c. 191, as amended by St. 1949, c. 734, the land shown as Parcel IX on plan by J. A. Berrigan, Designing Engineer, and Arthur V. Lynch, Engineer of Subways, dated December 16, 1949, entitled "City of Boston by Metropolitan Transit Authority, Agent—Plan of Land in the East Boston District—Harmony, Milton, Moore, Horace, Homer Streets and Barnes Avenue," and recorded with Suffolk Deeds, Book 6570, page 382, to wit, the land bounded and described as follows: Beginning at point "U" on the northwesterly side line of Homer street, one hundred and no hundredths (100.00) feet distant northeasterly from the intersection of the northeasterly line of Moore street and the northwesterly line of Homer street; thence running northwesterly along land now or formerly of Margaret E. Shea and others, one hundred and no hundredths (100.00) feet to point "V"; thence running northeasterly along land now or formerly of Margaret A. Rogers and others, fifty and no hundredths (50.00) feet to point "W"; thence running southeasterly along land now or formerly of Edward J. McLaughlin, one hundred and no hundredths (100.00) feet to point "X"; thence running southwesterly on Homer street, fifty and no hundredths (50.00) feet to the point of beginning; containing five thousand (5,000) square feet of land, more or less; and

Whereas, The Metropolitan Transit Authority, which, as agent of the City of Boston under St. 1947, c. 544, s. 8A, par. (h), as appearing in St. 1949, c. 572, s. 3, is in charge of the above-described land, has determined that the above-described land, which has ceased to be used for said purposes, is no longer required for said purposes and has notified the City Council of its determination; now, therefore, pursuant to St. 1943, c. 434, s. 2A, as inserted by St. 1951, c. 159, it is hereby

Ordered, That the care, custody, management and control of the above-described land be, and the same hereby is, transferred to the Chairman of the Board of Real Estate Commissioners.

Referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

SALE OF LAND, STONY BROOK CONDUIT, WEST ROXBURY.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, February 25, 1952.

To the Honorable City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith a communication from James J. Mahar, Chairman, Boston Housing Authority, dated October 19, 1951, requesting the conveyance of a strip of land owned by the City of Boston bordering the Boston Housing Authority Project at Archdale road, Roslindale, for the sum of one dollar (\$1). The land has

relatively little market value because of the presence of sewerage structures therein to which the City of Boston must have access at all times for the purpose of maintaining and repairing.

The Boston Housing Authority desires to acquire the land for the sole purpose of constructing a roadway thereon for the benefit of its project, which will not interfere with the city's access to the sewerage structure.

I transmit a communication received from George G. Hyland, Commissioner of Public Works, who has determined that the fee in the land is no longer required for municipal purposes provided that the right to maintain and repair existing sewerage structures is reserved.

I submit for your approval an accompanying order whereby the City of Boston may convey the land described therein to the Boston Housing Authority for a purchase price of one dollar (\$1), for the purpose of constructing thereon an approach facility subject to the right of the City of Boston to maintain and repair existing facilities therein, and recommend the speedy adoption of said order.

Very truly yours,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
February 25, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes and the City Council.
Mr. Mayor and Gentlemen:

I have considered the proposal of the Boston Housing Authority to acquire 33,761 square feet of city-owned land at Archdale road, Roslindale. The location is shown on plan entitled "City of Boston, Stony Brook, West Roxbury, January 17, 1952, James W. Haley, Chief Engineer, Street Laying-Out Department."

It is my opinion that the land is not required for any municipal purpose other than that the city's rights to have access to certain sewerage structures located in a portion of the land should be reserved, and, therefore, recommend that the land be conveyed to the Boston Housing Authority for the purpose of constructing thereon an approach to its Archdale road development.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Whereas, The City of Boston is the owner in fee of approximately thirty-three thousand seven hundred sixty-one (33,761) square feet of land situated in the West Roxbury district of the City of Boston, hereinafter described, being the portion of land acquired by the City of Boston for sewerage purposes (Stony Brook Conduit), held by said city for sewerage purposes; and

Whereas, The aforementioned parcel of land is no longer required for municipal purposes, with the exception of certain sewerage works hereinafter reserved; now, therefore, it is hereby

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor of the City of Boston be, and he hereby is, authorized to sell at private sale to the Boston Housing Authority for the sum of one dollar (\$1) and to execute and deliver to the Boston Housing Authority an instrument in writing satisfactory in form to the Corporation Counsel of the City of Boston conveying, for the purposes of an approach facility to its Archdale road Housing Project, all of the City of Boston's right, title, and interest in and to a certain parcel of land bounded and described as follows:

Northerly by the southerly line of Brookway Road, thirty and 75/100 (30.75) feet;

Easterly and northerly by land of the Boston Housing Authority, four dimensions, five hundred thirty-six and 71/100 (536.71) feet, three hundred seventy-six and 21/100 (376.21) feet, one hundred thirty-six and 12/100 (136.12) feet, thirty-nine and 53/100 (39.53) feet;

Easterly by land of the Boston & Providence Railroad Corporation, thirty-seven and 18/100 (37.18) feet;

Southerly and westerly by land of C and R Construction Company, land of Angelo Grande, land of Maria Barletta, land of Drusilla N. Robus, and the easterly line of Archdale road, and land of Boston Housing Authority, five dimensions, fifty-eight and 56/100 (58.56) feet, ninety-nine and 84/100 (99.84) feet, thirty-six and 58/100 (36.58) feet, four hundred seventeen and 25/100 (417.25) feet, five hundred forty-three and 44/100 (543.44) feet;

Containing approximately thirty-three thousand seven hundred sixty-one (33,761) square feet of land, subject to the right and easement of the City of Boston at all times to enter the granted premises for the purpose of laying, maintaining, and renewing sewerage works (Stony Brook Conduit) as shown on the plan hereinafter referred to.

The above-described parcel of land, together with the location and dimensions thereof, and sewerage works, is shown on a plan marked "City of Boston, Stony Brook, West Roxbury, January 17, 1952, James W. Haley, Chief Engineer, Street Laying-Out Department," on file in said department.

Referred to the Committee on Public Housing.

CHANGES IN COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIPS.

President PIEMONTE announced that at the request of Councillor Hailer he had accepted his resignation as Chairman of the Committee on Claims and the Committee on Prisons, and appointed in his place Councillor Joyce as Chairman of the Committee on Claims and Councillor Kerrigan as Chairman of the Committee on Prisons.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

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

Claims.

John Abramo, for compensation for injuries and damage to property by city truck.

Allied American Mutual Fire Insurance Company, for compensation for damage to car of Robert Q. Crane by fire apparatus.

Edward C. Bacigalupo, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Chandler M. Barker, for compensation for damage to car by city car.

Edward Berinsky, for compensation for injuries caused by car of Public Works Department.

Carmello C. Chillemi, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Estate of Harry Clayman, for compensation for damage to car by City Hospital ambulance.

Michael J. Cullinane, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 46 H street, South Boston.

Cuneo Press of New England, Inc., for compensation for damage to truck by fire apparatus.

John J. Donnelly, to be reimbursed for accident which occurred at Hampden and Albany streets.

Ellen J. Grady, for compensation for collapse of water boiler at 12 Gates street, South Boston, caused by water being shut off.

Michael Harrington, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 10 Huntington avenue.

Hayes-Bickford Lunch System, Inc., for compensation for damage to truck by city truck.

Thomas F. Kelly, to be reimbursed as result of executions issued against him.

Eleanor A. Knopf, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Nathaniel H. Ladd, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect in Washington street.

Richard J. Lally, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Abe Libman, for compensation for damage to property at 233 Magnolia street, caused during removal of tree.

George N. Papadopolos, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Mrs. Edward J. Quinlan, for compensation for loss of money taken from husband's wallet while patient at City Hospital.

Lawrence J. Rice, for compensation for damage to car by fire truck.

Phillip L. Scott, for compensation for damage to car by city vehicle.

Freda Shapiro, for compensation for injuries caused by City Hospital ambulance.

Joseph Shapiro, for compensation for injuries caused by City Hospital ambulance.

Willa Shapiro, for compensation for injuries caused by City Hospital ambulance.

Mrs. G. Weintraub, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Vernon T. Williams, for compensation for damage to car by police cruising car.

Mary DiNatale, for compensation for damage to property at 38 Woodward street, South Boston, caused by break in water pipe.

Executive.

Petition of Mary Laving to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, John J. Laving, late member of the Police Department.

Petition of Helen C. McDevitt to be paid an annuity on account of death of her husband, Charles L. McDevitt, late member of the Fire Department.

Petition of Mary A. McTighe to be paid an annuity on account of death of her husband, James F. McTighe, late member of the Fire Department.

NOTICES FROM DEPARTMENT OF
PUBLIC UTILITIES.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held February 28 at 3 P.M., on petition of Rapid Transit, Inc., for extension of the period during which present schedules of fares are to be effective.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held March 10 on petition of Boston Edison Company for exemption of certain land and a substation to be erected on northerly side of Lincoln street, Allston.

Severally referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of amended order approving petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority for approval of plan numbered S-h-14499, showing proposed modifications and changes in its elevated structure in City square, Charlestown.

Placed on file.

BORROWING CAPACITY OF CITY FOR
YEAR 1952.

A communication was received from the Board of Sinking Funds stating that the amount which the city will be able to borrow during the present municipal year within the debt limit established by law is \$12,201,717.19.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMISSION ON
FIRE PREVENTION.

The following was received:

The Finance Commission of the City of Boston,
February 21, 1952.

To the Honorable the Mayor and City Council.

The insufficiency of fire prevention work in Boston, and the lack of a comprehensive fire code are old subjects of criticism in reports of the Finance Commission. The fire prevention work as performed is seriously handicapped because a fire code does not exist. The Finance Commission, aided by the representatives of the National Fire Protection Association and the deputy chief at the head of the Fire Prevention Division of the Fire Department, has often revealed the existing deficiencies and recommended suitable action. This situation borders on the intolerable because it has existed for years. Yet the city employs 48 uniformed firemen in the Fire Prevention Division, and the total of salaries paid is approximately \$200,000 a year. It is impossible for this staff to render effective service without a fire code. What makes the situation most aggravating is that the deputy chief in charge of fire prevention and an assistant developed a code a few years ago and submitted it to the Law Department in existence at that time for necessary legalistic phrasing; but at the expiration of that particular municipal administration the Law Department employees who worked on it departed leaving nothing accomplished.

Since there has been little accomplished in correcting this deficiency, the Commission believes it is timely to record publicly what another and well-recognized agency in this field has recently said on the same subject. In a special 1951 report

on conditions respecting the fire safety situation in Boston, the National Board of Fire Underwriters said:

"CONCLUSIONS.—State laws and regulations issued by the state department of Public Safety contain some good requirements but are not sufficiently complete. Municipal regulations are wholly inadequate for the control of hazardous operations and processes as exist within the city. Many of the uniformed inspection force were assigned to the fire prevention bureau due to age or physical disabilities and without regard for special qualifications or knowledge of fire prevention work. There is no qualified fire prevention engineer assigned which is essential in the proper functioning of a modern fire prevention bureau. Authority for the control of some hazards is divided with other departments and not under the direct control of the fire prevention bureau or under the supervision of qualified inspectors. There are no systematic inspections of mercantile and manufacturing districts; annual renewal of licenses and permits are made without the benefit of reinspections and apparently hazardous conditions may exist for a period of years if annual renewal of the permit is made. District chiefs and company officers make some inspections of buildings in their districts but these are superficial in nature and of little value as was evidenced in the few records which were available.

"Inspection of a large number of diverse occupancies and processes disclosed that numerous common and special hazards exist that adversely affect both safety to life and property. These conditions will not improve under the present procedure of unsystematic reinspection service and the appointing of unqualified personnel to the inspection force.

"There is immediate need for the adoption of a modern code of regulations for the complete control of all hazardous substances and operations and also for the redistribution of personnel with the subsequent assignment of sufficient qualified inspectors to establish a systematic inspection procedure for the rigid supervision and control of all hazards."

The Finance Commission's Administrative Survey of the Fire Department made in 1950 expressed alarm over the fire prevention situation in Boston, "which," the report stated, "is inherently weak from the viewpoint of fire resistivity." The experts who made the survey were concerned particularly with the conflicts of authority between the Fire Department and other governmental bodies or departments. As their report stated, there appears to be no justification in granting the Board of Street Commissioners licensing power over the fire hazards which should come within the jurisdiction of the Fire Department.

Moreover, the Fire Department still has no clear-cut authority to enforce installations of sprinkler systems, generally considered the best means of protection of certain hazards; also there is still inadequate jurisdiction over the location, type, and maintenance of fire extinguishing equipment, and emergency egress in buildings; and still another serious problem is the complete lack of control over combustible materials, such as plywood, insulating board, and cellulose material used for acoustical or ornamental construction. Furthermore, at a time of materials shortages, the hazards entailed in the possible introduction of inflammable materials on the market increase.

The anomaly of the situation is that construction which is deficient from a Fire Department viewpoint may be permitted by building law, such as the hocking up of windows, which was a factor in the Coconut Grove holocaust. The Fire Department has little or no jurisdiction in the case of old dumb-waiters in apartment buildings which are being used as trash chutes, particularly with respect to the important matter of enforcing the proper installation of sprinklers.

There is divided responsibility between the Fire Department and the State Department of Public Safety in the present handling and disposition of cases of fires of undetermined or suspicious origin. Prior to 1945, the Fire Department had complete jurisdiction over these cases.

It is the opinion of those concerned with this problem that a Board of Standards should be established to provide standards of fire protection devices and equipment used in connection with hazardous processes. There is need in the City

Fire Department for properly trained personnel in fire prevention, and for the establishment of a practice of organized inspection of buildings by entire fire companies, block by block.

Fees charged for permits relating to construction and use of buildings should be scaled so as to provide the necessary revenue to make the Fire Prevention Division self-sustaining.

In conclusion, it is the conviction of the Finance Commission that action looking toward the establishment of a fire code (the "modern code of regulations") is long overdue. Boston has the unenviable distinction of being the only large city in the country without a fire code or fire marshal; yet the city is still haunted by the memory of Coconut Grove. For lack of a fire code and marshal, the city permits many building and occupancy hazards to exist which jeopardize not only the occupants and surrounding structure, but the safety of Fire Department personnel who will be called to the fire when it occurs. The National Board of Fire Underwriters has prepared a model fire prevention code. This might well meet the needs of the Boston situation. At least it could serve as a basis for a Boston code.

It is respectfully recommended that a new effort be made to draw up a suitable ordinance and that a comprehensive code be presented to the City Council for adoption as the Boston Fire Code. Thus only can the city secure the proper legal framework within which the Fire Department may carry out an effective campaign of fire prevention.

Respectfully submitted,
 EDWARD F. MULLEN, Chairman.
 LEO J. DUNN,
 FREDERICK DEANE,
 JOSEPH K. COLLINS,
 EDWARD U. LEE,
 The Finance Commission.

ROBERT E. CUNNIFF,
 Secretary.

Referred to the Committee on Ordinances.

INVESTIGATION AND REPORT ON
 REST HOMES IN CITY.

Coun. HAILER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Building Commissioner and Health Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to immediately investigate all rest homes in the City of Boston and to submit a detailed public report concerning same within the next three months.

Referred to the Committee on Public Services and Recreation.

REPRESENTATION OF PEOPLE OF HYDE
 PARK AT GAS RATE HEARINGS.

Coun. JOYCE offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to instruct the Law Department to assign members of the Law Department staff to represent the people of Hyde Park at the gas rate hearings to be held on March 18, 1952, at the Department of Public Utilities, State House, Boston.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

LEGISLATION RE RETIREMENT OF
 EDWARD L. TWOHIG.

Coun. JOYCE offered the following:

Resolved, That the City Council of Boston favors the consideration by the Legislature of the petition now held under joint rule 7B providing for the retirement of Edward L. Twohig of the Police Department of the City of Boston at full pay, provided that any such legislation enacted includes a referendum to the Mayor and the City Council.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

VACATIONS FOR POLICE AND
 FIRE FORCES.

Coun. WARD 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, affective April 1, 1952.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

LOW-RENT HOUSING FOR MEMBERS
 OF ARMED FORCES.

Coun. WHITE offered the following:

Ordered, That the Boston Housing Authority be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to provide adequate low-rent housing for officers and men of the Armed Forces who are stationed in Boston as provided for under the so-called Wherry Act.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

ACCEPTANCE OF GLENDALE TERRACE.

Coun. WHITE offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept and lay out Glendale terrace, Ward 22, as a public way.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

RECESS.

On motion of Councillor Kerrigan the Council voted to take a recess at 3.36 p.m., subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled and were called to order by President PIEMONTE at 5.10 p.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

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

1. Report on communication (referred today) from Board of Sinking Funds Commissioners re borrowing capacity of city during year 1952—recommending that the communication be placed on file.

The report was accepted, and the communication was placed on file.

2. Report on order (referred today) that Boston Housing Authority provide adequate low-rent housing for officers and men of the Armed Forces—recommending reference to Committee on Public Housing.

The report was accepted, and the order was referred to the Committee on Public Housing.

3. Report on resolution (referred today) favoring consideration by the Legislature of petition providing for retirement of Edward L. Twohig of Police Department at full pay—recommending adoption of the resolution.

The report was accepted, and the resolution was adopted.

4. Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred January 28) for sale of portion of Franklin Field to Boston Housing Authority—recommending passage of the order.

The report was accepted, and the order was given its first reading and passage, yeas 8, nays 0.

Yeas—Councillors Ahearn, Foley, Hailer, Hurley, Joyce, Kerrigan, Ward, White—8.

Nays—0.

Voting Present—Councillor Picmonte—1.

The order was referred to the Executive Committee by the Chair.

5. Report on message of the Mayor (referred today) requesting action on sale of portion of

Franklin Field to Boston Housing Authority for sum of \$165,750—recommending recommitment to the Executive Committee.

The report was accepted, and the message was recommitted to the Executive Committee.

PROCEEDS FROM SALE OF PORTION
OF FRANKLIN FIELD.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:

Ordered, That the Corporation Counsel be requested by his Honor the Mayor to render an opinion to the Executive Committee of the City Council on the following: Has the City Council authority to amend or condition the order for sale

of a certain portion of Franklin Field to the Boston Housing Authority so that the moneys received from the Boston Housing Authority for the sale of said portion be earmarked for additional playground or recreational facilities for the Franklin Field section of Boston?

Passed under suspension of the rules.

Adjourned at 5.24 P.M., on motion of Councillor Ward, to meet on Monday, March 3, 1952, 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 3, 1952.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President PIEMONTE in the chair and all the members present.

The Reverend Dana McLean Greeley of the Arlington Street Church, Boston, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY REV. DANA McLEAN GREELEY.

Almighty God, Thou who art the God and Father of us all and all mankind, we invoke Thy presence in our hearts and Thy blessing upon this gathering and upon this Council and upon this community. Remind us ever and again "except the Lord keep the city, the watchman waketh but in vain."

Grant unto Thy servants, we pray Thee, both the wisdom and the courage that they need. May our city be strengthened as the fruit of their conscientiousness and their good will.

We thank Thee for all Thy gifts of nature and of grace. We thank Thee for a noble heritage. Make us equally solicitous with regard to a promising future. Help us, every one, to do his part. Grant, O God, not only to make those who serve Thee and the community decide and act with the interests of the people in mind, but grant also that the whole community itself may give to its leaders the cooperation that they deserve.

In the name of Thy kingdom of righteousness and of peace, and of the ideal of the city of God, we offer our prayer. Amen.

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.

Acme Corrugated Box Company, for compensation for damage to car by fire truck.

John J. Aigen, for compensation for damage to car by city car.

Oliver C. Appleton, for compensation for damage to car by snowplow.

Louise Augustine, for compensation for injuries and property damage by city truck.

John F. Billotte, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Sanitary Division.

Boston Book and Art Shop, Inc., for compensation for damage to property at 122 Newbury street, caused by broken water pipe.

Samuel F. Bowman, for refund on automatic amusement license.

George L. Brown, for compensation for loss of overcoat by fire in Public Works snow shanty.

John J. Callanan, for compensation for damage to car by car of Police Department.

Michael J. Cronin, for compensation for injuries caused by ambulance.

Mrs. Kenneth Crowell, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 24 and 26 Fahyan street.

Linda Danis, for compensation for injuries caused by city truck.

William Donaldson, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Police Department.

Ellen T. Grady, for compensation for damage to property at 12 Gates street, South Boston, caused by water being shut off.

Thomas E. Harrington, for compensation for damage to car by snowplow.

Laurence T. Hatch, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Water Division.

Joseph P. Leonard, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Maurice D. Miller, for compensation for damage to car by patrol wagon.

William J. Nichols, for compensation for damage to car by snowplow.

Elizabeth Roseman, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Warren street, Roxbury.

Harold Seacrist, for compensation for accident which occurred on Gallivan Boulevard.

F. I. Sher Company, for compensation for damage to property by city truck.

Joseph Stahl, for compensation for damage to car by fire truck.

Faye G. Stone, for compensation for damage to car by snow and ice from roof of garage, Joy street.

Executive.

Petition of Mary E. Kenney to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, John F. Kenney, late member of the Police Department.

Petition of Mary F. Dean to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, Thomas A. Dean, late member of the Fire Department.

NOTICE FROM DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held on March 7 at 2.15 P.M., on petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority for railway track alterations in Hyde Park district.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

ABSENCE OF MAYOR.

Notice was received from the Mayor of his absence from the city from February 26 to March 18, inclusive.

Placed on file.

CHANGE OF STREET NAMES.

Notice was received from the Board of Street Commissioners of changes in street names as follows:

Charles River avenue, Boston Proper district—new name, Prince Street Extension.

Linwood road, Dorchester district—new name, Souther road.

Wendell street, South Boston district—new name, Wendeller street.

Placed on file.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS.

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

Report on petition of Thomas J. Hoar (referred February 11) to be reimbursed as a result of execution issued against him on account of his acts as an employee of the Sanitary Division, Public Works Department—recommending passage of accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of two hundred seventy-five dollars (\$275) be allowed and paid to Thomas J. Hoar in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as an employee of the Sanitary Division, Public Works Department, said sum to be charged to the appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

Report on petition of Edward J. Schofield (referred January 14) to be reimbursed as a result of 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 thousand dollars (\$3,000) be allowed and paid to Edward J. Schofield 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 appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

Report on petition of Thomas F. Kelly (referred February 25) to be reimbursed as a result of execution issued against him on account of his acts as an employee of the Sewer Division, Public Works Department—recommending passage of accompanying order;

Ordered, That the sum of five hundred seventy-seven dollars and eight cents (\$577.08) be allowed and paid to Thomas F. Kelly in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as an employee of the Sewer Division, Public Works Department, said sum to be charged to the appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

Report on petition of Joseph A. Merithew (referred January 14) to be reimbursed as a result of an execution issued against him on account of his acts as an employee of the Paving Division, Public Works Department—recommending passage of accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of five hundred ninety-three dollars and forty-eight cents (\$593.48) be allowed and paid to Joseph A. Merithew in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as an employee of the Paving Division, Public Works Department, said sum to be charged to the appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

Report on petition of Frederick J. Keeler (referred January 3) to be reimbursed as a result of an execution issued against him on account of his acts as an employee of the Weights and Measures Department—recommending passage of accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of one hundred fifty dollars (\$150) be allowed and paid to Frederick J. Keeler in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as an employee of the Weights and Measures Department, said sum to be charged to the appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

Report on petition of Lawrence J. O'Neill (referred January 3) to be reimbursed as a result of an execution issued against him on account of his acts as an employee of the Sanitary Division, Public Works Department—recommending passage of the accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of seven hundred fifty dollars (\$750) be allowed and paid to Lawrence J. O'Neill in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as an employee of the Sanitary Division, Public Works Department, said sum to be charged to the appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

Report on petition of William J. Clegg (referred February 4) to be reimbursed as a result of an execution issued against him on account of his acts as an employee of the Water Division, Public Works Department—recommending passage of accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500) be allowed and paid to William J. Clegg in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as an employee of the Water Division, Public Works Department, said sum to be charged to the appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

Report on petition of John F. Booth (referred January 21) to be reimbursed as a result of an execution issued against him on account of his acts as an employee of the Boston Fire Department—recommending passage of accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of four hundred fifty dollars (\$450) be allowed and paid to John F. Booth in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as a member of the Boston Fire Department, said sum to be charged to the appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

Report on petition of John J. Green (referred February 4) to be reimbursed as a result of an execution issued against him on account of his acts as a member of the Boston Police Department—recommending passage of the accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of seventy-five dollars (\$75) be allowed and paid to John J. Green 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 appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

Report on petition of William T. Burke (referred February 4) to be reimbursed as a result of an execution issued against him on account of his acts

as an employee of the Water Division, Public Works Department—recommending passage of the accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of six hundred dollars (\$600) be allowed and paid to William T. Burke in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as an employee of the Water Division, Public Works Department, said sum to be charged to the appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

Report on petition of Frederick J. Brady (referred February 4) to be reimbursed as a result of an execution issued against him on account of his acts as a member of the Boston Fire Department—recommending passage of accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of one hundred fifty dollars (\$150) be allowed and paid to Frederick J. Brady in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as an employee of the Boston Fire Department, said sum to be charged to the appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

The reports were accepted, and the orders were severally passed.

MONTHLY REPORTS BY AUDITOR OF APPROPRIATION BALANCES.

Coun. JOYCE offered the following:

Ordered, That the City Council be provided monthly by the City Auditor with details of all appropriation balances in the general ledger accounts.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

ROPING OFF OF UNION PARK STREET.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the City Messenger be authorized, through his Honor the Mayor, to rope off Union Park street, between Washington street and Harrison avenue, on Saturday, April 5, 1952, between the hours of 2 P.M. 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 rules.

SPECIAL SCHOOL FOR SUBNORMAL CHILDREN.

Coun. WARD offered the following:

Ordered, That the Trustees of the George Robert White Fund be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to consider the advisability of erecting a special school for subnormal children.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

OPERATION OF HACKNEY CARRIAGES.

Coun. WARD offered the following:

Ordered, That the Corporation Counsel be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to inform the City Council as to whether or not chapter 3 of the Ordinances of 1951, concerning the operation of hackney carriages in the City of Boston, is enforceable.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF PFC. JOHN J. JOYCE.

Coun. HAILER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend naming the square at the intersection of Dorchester avenue and East Cottage street, Dorchester, in honor of Pfc. John J. Joyce of the U. S. Infantry, 34th Division, who was killed in action near Florence, Italy, in November, 1944.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

PREPARATION OF FIRE CODE
FOR CITY.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:
Ordered, That the Corporation Counsel be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to prepare an ordinance for fire prevention in the City of Boston, to be known as the Fire Code of the City of Boston.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

JURORS DRAWN.

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

Forty traverse jurors, Superior Criminal Court, to appear April 7, 1952:

Albert T. Tedisco, Ward 1; Antony Antonowitch, Ward 3; Michael J. Montalcone, Ward 3; Harry A. Webber, Ward 5; Patrick J. McGrath, Ward 6; Gilbert Cromwell, Ward 8; Allan J. Jay, Ward 11; Morris Bernstein, Ward 12; George Carlin, Ward 12; Francis J. Lee, Ward 13; Walter E. Ljunggren, Ward 13; George J. Madden, Ward 13; George J. Gibbs, Ward 14; Robert W. Fisher, Ward 15; Robert M. Kelly, Ward 15; Walter M. Conway, Ward 16; Rees Irvine, Ward 16; Charles A. Palmer, Ward 16; James E. Greene, Ward 17; Charles Joseph Healey, Ward 17; Marjorie F. Brady, Ward 18; John R. Creighton, Ward 18; Marion F. Gallivan, Ward 18; George Kehling, Ward 18; Clarence M. Carlson, Ward 19; George W. Daws, Ward 19; Lester T. Poole, Ward 19; Benjamin F. Robinson, Ward 19; Timothy P. Sullivan, Ward 19; John C. Garrity, Ward 20; George F. McGowan, Ward 20; Daniel Sullivan, Ward 20; Walter C. Zahn, Ward 20; Joseph H. LaForta, Ward 21; Henry Libber, Ward 21; George W. Morrison, Ward 21; Reginald L. Wall, Ward 21; Francis X. Byrne, Ward 22; Julia E. Igoc, Ward 22; Alice Linder Sherman, Ward 22.

One hundred fifty-seven traverse jurors, Superior Civil Court, to appear April 7, 1952:

Domenic Giglio, Ward 1; Arthur Faretra, Ward 1; Frederick A. Jackson, Ward 1; Ascanio Liccardi, Ward 1; Andrew Lucibello, Ward 1; Frederick N. Mercurio, Ward 1; Fred Meyer, Ward 1; Joseph A. Vigliotta, Ward 1; Alfred C. Walker, Ward 1; Leonard Warner, Ward 1; Edwin J. Ahern, Ward 2; William Walsh, Ward 2; Thomas H. Woods, Ward 2; George Andrews, Ward 3; Vincent Arcadipane, Ward 3; Carmen DeSantis, Ward 3; Cezario D. Lopes, Ward 3; Cosimo Lorina, Ward 3; George W. Armstrong, Jr., Ward 4; Gerald J. Griffin, Ward 4; Mary Kacavas, Ward 4; Thomas V. Nichols, Ward 4; Richard A. Wehry, Ward 4; Richard Whittemore, Ward 4; William M. Gallagher, Ward 5; Alfred George Gerrard, Ward 5; James L. Griffin, Ward 5; Frank W. Hawley, Ward 5; Dennis F. Linehan, Ward 5; James Mavrogeorge, Ward 5; Stacey M. Merrill, Jr., Ward 5; Lillian M. Williams, Ward 5; Thomas J. Barrett, Ward 6; John J. Byrne, Ward 6; James G. Murphy, Ward 6; John Norris, Ward 6; Hyman M. Taylor, Ward 6; Robert Austin, Ward 7; David D. Johnston, Ward 7; Herbert J. Ledig, Ward 7; Thomas E. Snow, Ward 7; Frank Burns, Ward 8; Edward C. Donnelly, Ward 8; Herbert R. Jeffery, Ward 8; Leo R. Layden, Ward 8; Elizabeth J. McLennan, Ward 8; Thomas R. Allen, Ward 9; Alfred Brinkert, Ward 9; Helen G. Deering, Ward 9; Joseph T. Harrold, Ward 9; Roosevelt Woods, Ward 9; William T. Caffrey, Jr., Ward 10; James H. Curtis, Ward 10; Hugh Doherty, Ward 10; John R. Gordon, Ward 10; Rita F. Morgan, Ward 10; Emil W. Pedersen, Ward 10; Edward J. Tracey, Ward 10; Joseph W. Woodward, Ward 10.
Patrick J. Beatty, Ward 11; Ethel F. Benson, Ward 11; Eric H. Eckstrom, Ward 11; John Flaherty, Ward 11; Alexander Johnson, Ward 11; Hollis L. Morrill, Ward 11; Mary A. Sullivan, Ward 11; Charles H. Bruce, Ward 12; Edgar J. Davis, Ward 12; Frank H. DeLang, Ward 12; Edmund P. Hanlon, Ward 12; George E. Lent, Jr., Ward 12; Donald A. McEachern, Ward 12; John McLellan, Ward 12; Abraham J. Sherer, Ward 12; Samuel Silverman, Ward 12; Harold E. Williams, Ward 12; Lawrence C. Barron, Ward 13; James A. Dempsey, Ward 13; Patrick D. Hurley, Ward 13; Sigmund C. Jasinski, Ward 13; John Kopka, Ward 13; Peter A. Lahais, Ward 13; Gerald F. McAuliffe,

Ward 13; Albin O. Showstead, Ward 13; Abraham Aronson, Ward 14; David A. Aronson, Ward 14; Daniel B. Cohen, Ward 14; David Feldman, Ward 14; David Kaplan, Ward 14; Bernard Raskind, Ward 14; James P. Savage, Ward 14; Everett H. Sea, Ward 14; James Cuniff, Ward 15; Michele Guarnotta, Ward 15; George Roger Kirkpatrick, Ward 15; Elliott W. Lloyd, Ward 15; Clarence G. McKinnon, Ward 15; Lincoln W. Mann, Ward 15; Bernard J. Doyle, Ward 16; William F. Driscoll, Ward 16; Gordon H. Eaton, Ward 16; Earl T. Himebrick, Ward 16; Herman D. Milligan, Ward 16; Arthur G. Mooney, Ward 16; George C. Owen, Ward 16; Ralph G. Schmidt, Ward 16; Charles H. Vitt, Ward 16; Robert F. Black, Ward 17; Arthur C. Coner, Ward 17; George H. Goodwin, Ward 17; John E. Kennedy, Ward 17; Henry H. Lunny, Ward 17; Gertrude M. O'Day, Ward 17; Roland W. Parmenter, Ward 17; Thomas D. Rourke, Ward 17; George W. Doyle, Ward 18; Thomas G. Feenan, Ward 18; John W. Griffin, Ward 18; James W. Jordan, Ward 18; Louis E. Lipson, Ward 18; Anthony L. Lombardi, Ward 18; James McCarthy, Ward 18; James F. McNabb, Ward 18; Vincent J. Martell, Ward 18; Louis Snyder, Ward 18.

Charles T. Andrews, Ward 19; John J. Bazzinotti, Ward 19; John J. Cunniff, Ward 19; Patrick Doherty, Ward 19; Charles J. Duplain, Ward 19; Francis A. Finnell, Ward 19; Frederick W. Griffin, Ward 19; John McLeod Hogg, Ward 19; Michael J. Hynes, Ward 19; George H. Lamb, Ward 19; William L. Morey, Ward 19; William John Tate, Ward 19; Daniel F. Curran, Ward 20; Edward L. DeFranco, Ward 20; Norbert A. Kunze, Ward 20; William J. McCarl, Ward 20; Harold H. Roby, Ward 20; Walter P. Sawtelle, Ward 20; Arthur T. Williams, Ward 20; Allan V. Ellis, Ward 21; Harold E. Gordon, Ward 21; Robert E. Hennessey, Ward 21; Robert D. Kennedy, Ward 21; Frank M. Libbey, Ward 21; John J. Lynch, Ward 21; Allan F. McGillivray, Ward 21; William F. Moore, Ward 21; Prescott Richardson, Ward 21; Silbur G. Rumery, Ward 21; Henry Paul Caruso, Ward 22; Herbert H. Crandall, Ward 22; Frank Nye, Ward 22.

RECESS.

On motion of Councillor Ahearn the Council voted at 2:52 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 PIEMONTE at 4:39 P.M.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

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

1. Report on petition of Mary E. Loughlin (referred December 17, 1951) to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, William H. Loughlin, late member of the Fire Department—recommending passage of the following:

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 89A of chapter 32 of the General Laws, an annuity of fifteen hundred dollars be allowed and paid to Mary E. Loughlin, widow of William H. Loughlin, a member of the Fire Department who died on December 5, 1951, 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.

2. Report on petition of Elizabeth O. McDonald (referred October 1, 1951) to be paid an annuity on account of death of her husband, Henry F. McDonald, late member of the Fire Department—recommending passage of the following:

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 89A of chapter 32 of the General Laws, an annuity of fifteen hundred dollars be allowed and paid to Elizabeth O. McDonald, widow of Henry F. McDonald, a member of the Fire Department who died on September 13, 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.

The reports were accepted, and the orders were severally passed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON
CONFIRMATIONS.

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

1. Report on appointment by the Mayor (referred February 4) of Francis S. Zarthar as constable with authority to serve civil process upon filing of bond for term ending April 30, 1952—recommending that appointment be confirmed.

2. Report on appointment by the Mayor (referred February 11) of Samuel Schwartz as constable with authority to serve civil process upon filing of bond for term ending April 30, 1952—recommending that appointment be confirmed.

3. Report on appointment by the Mayor (referred February 11) of Edward C. Gurnon as constable with authority to serve civil process upon filing of bond for term ending April 30, 1952—recommending that appointment be confirmed.

4. Report on appointment by the Mayor (referred February 18) of Eli Sternberg as constable with authority to serve civil process upon filing of bond for term ending April 30, 1952—recommending that appointment be confirmed.

5. Report on appointment by the Mayor (referred February 18) of Irwin D. Lazarus and Frank N. Freeman as Weighers of Goods and Haigaz Krikorian as Weigher of Coal for terms ending April 30, 1952—recommending that appointments be confirmed.

6. Report on appointment by the Mayor (referred February 25) of George A. Baird, Jr., as constable with authority to serve civil process upon filing of bond for term ending April 30, 1952—recommending that appointment be confirmed.

7. Report on appointment by the Mayor (referred February 25) of Louis Levin as constable with authority to serve civil process upon filing of bond for term ending April 30, 1952—recommending that appointment be confirmed.

8. Report on appointment by the Mayor (referred February 25) of Franklin L. Steves and Leslie C. Wheeler as Weighers of Goods for terms ending April 30, 1952—recommending that appointments be confirmed.

The reports were accepted and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councillors Kerrigan and Joyce. Whole number of ballots, 8, yeas 8, nays 0, and the appointments were confirmed.

Adjourned at 4.44 P.M., on motion of Councillor Hailer, to meet on Monday, March 10, 1952, 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 10, 1952.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President PIEMONTE in the chair. Absent, Councillor Ahern.

Rabbi Elieser Berkovits, of the Congregation of Adath Jeshurun, Roxbury, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY RABBI ELIESER
BERKOVITS.

Almighty God, Father of all Men; bestow Your blessing upon this session of the Council of our city; guide the duly elected councillors of the people so to use their natural talents that as the result of their deliberations the welfare of the city be advanced; grant them of Thy light to unravel the problems before them; fortify them in their determination to act as required by sincere insight and honest purpose for the sake of the good name of our city and in the best interest of all its inhabitants; let their faith in Thee be the inspiration of their endeavors for the peace of the city and the brotherly association of all its children. O Lord, grant us all wisdom and understanding to unite in good, neighborliness to continue in the service of the ideals of freedom and democracy, enlightenment and progress, a service which for many generations now has made our city's name renowned among the nations. Grant us all good health and sufficient strength that we may toil before Thee in uprightness. Banish Thou fear and hatred and envy from our midst; guide Thou the wishes of our hearts; bless Thou the work of our hands; protect Thou our good city, our beloved Boston. Amen.

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.

John Abraham for compensation for personal injuries caused by car of Institutions Department.

Robert J. Allen, for compensation for damage to property at 94 Safford street, caused by snowplow.

Frank W. Aston, for compensation for collapse of hot water boiler at 25 Bogandale road, West Roxbury.

Paul N. Chaput, Inc., for compensation for damage to car of Louisa B. O'Brien by city truck.

Anthony Ciulla, for compensation for damage to car while being towed through Sumner Tunnel.

Caroline Denmon, for compensation for collapse of hot water boiler at 61 Walnut road.

Edward P. Doyle, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Neville Polkes, for compensation for damage to car by truck of Police Department.

Americo Frasso, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Public Works Department, Bridge and Ferry Division.

Milton A. Hall, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Eileen C. Hennessey, for compensation for damage to car by car of Printing Department.

Mary E. Martin, for compensation for personal injuries due to alleged defect on sidewalk on Harrison avenue.

Thomas P. McCusker, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Mayor's Office.

Melville Shoe Corporation, for refund of encroachment fee at Thom McAnn Store, 378 Washington street.

Philip A. Monahan, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Park Department.

Charles A. Newell, to be reimbursed for doctor and hospital bill incurred while in performance of duty as member of Fire Department.

Parad's Market, Inc., for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Peter & Dick Tavern, Inc., for compensation for damage to property at 208-212 West Broadway, caused by overflow of sewage.

Barrett Spring, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Frieda Stolle, for compensation for damage to property by snowplow.

U. S. Post Office, for compensation for damage to truck by city truck.

A. L. Wells, Inc., claim for damage to vehicle by hospital ambulance.

PETITION FOR ANNUITY.

Petition of Mary E. Preston, to be paid an annuity on account of death of her husband, Richard F. Preston, late member of the Police Department.

Referred to the Committee on Claims.

PERMITS FOR CHILDREN.

Petitions for children under 15 years of age to appear at places of public amusement were received as follows:

Daniel D. Tierney, Jordan Hall, March 21. Skating Club of Boston, Boston Garden, April 3 to 6.

Permits granted under usual conditions.

APPROVAL OF CONSTABLES' BONDS.

The constables' bonds of George A. Baird, Jr., Edward G. Gurnon, and Francis S. Zarthar having been duly approved by the City Treasurer, were received and approved.

NOTICES OF HEARINGS BEFORE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.

Notice was received of hearing to be held March 27, at 2.15 P.M., on petition of New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad Company for authority to continue in effect on permanent basis the increased rates and charges for passenger service on its lines operating "via Atlantic" which rates and charges became effective on January 15, 1950.

Notice was received of hearing to be held April 1, at 10 A.M., on petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority, for permit to operate trackless trolley over Paris street and Sumner street in the East Boston district of Boston.

Notice was received of hearing to be held on April 1, at 10 A.M. on petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority, for license to operate motor vehicles for carriage of passengers over Bennington street, between Leyden street and Orient Heights Station; in and over Orient Heights Station and approaches off Bennington street.

Notice was received of hearing to be held April 1, at 10 A.M., on petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority, for approval of construction, maintenance and use of an alteration and addition to existing locations for railway tracks in West Roxbury district in connection with construction of an overpass and traffic circles in vicinity of South street, Arborway and Washington street.

Notice was received of hearing to be held May 12, at 10 A.M., on petition of Rapid Transit, Inc., for extension of period during which present schedule of fares are to be effective, and the effective date of such schedule extended until June 1, 1952, unless otherwise ordered.

Severally referred to the Committee on Licenses.

NOTICE FROM STATE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.

A communication was received from the State Department of Public Works transmitting copy of layout and order of taking of alterations in locations of sections of state highway (John F. Fitzgerald Expressway).

Referred to the Executive Committee.

DEATH OF EVERETT R. PROUT.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:

Resolved, That the City Council of the City of Boston, in meeting assembled, expresses its deep regret at the untimely passing of Everett R. Prout, Election Commissioner of Boston, whose long, honorable and conscientious contributions to the city government of Boston will forever preserve his memory as one of Boston's leading citizens.

The resolution was adopted by a unanimous rising vote.

B. A. A. MARATHON RACE.

Coun. PIEMONTE 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 Saturday, April 19, 1952, the expense of same to be charged to the City Council appropriation for Ropes, Flags and Stakes.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

MEDICAL EXAMINER OF POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Coun. KERRIGAN and FOLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That chapter 122 of the Acts of 1952, entitled "An Act Placing the Office of the Medical Examiner of the Police Department of the City of Boston under the Civil Service Laws," be, and hereby is, accepted.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

MEDICAL TREATMENT OF OLD AGE ASSISTANCE RECIPIENTS AT CITY HOSPITAL.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Trustees of the Boston City Hospital be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to notify the Public Welfare Department of the discharge of all persons re-

ceiving medical treatment at the hospital who are recipients of Old Age Assistance.

Referred to the Committee on Hospitals.

THE NEXT MEETING.

On motion of Councillor Ward the Council voted that when it adjourn it be to meet again on Monday, March 24, 1952, at 2 P.M.

RECESS.

On motion of Councillor Ward the Council voted at 2.12 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 PIEMONTE at 2.47 P.M.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

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

Report on order (referred today) that chapter 122 of Acts of 1952 *re* replacing office of Medical Examiner of Police Department under Civil Service Laws be accepted—recommending that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

EVACUATION DAY-ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE.

Coun. FOLEY, KERRIGAN, and JOYCE offered the following:

Ordered, That the City Messenger be, and he hereby is, directed to rope off the streets along the route of the Evacuation Day-St. Patrick's Day parade in South Boston on March 17, 1952, the expense of same to be charged to the City Council appropriation for Ropes, Flags and Stakes.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

NOTIFICATION TO POLICE CAPTAINS RE EARLY DISMISSAL OF SCHOOL CHILDREN.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Police Commissioner be requested to confer with the Superintendent of Public Schools and the director of Parochial Schools in the City of Boston for a discussion to make it mandatory that the principals of schools notify the police captain of the division where the school is located when school is being dismissed outside of the regular school hours so that an officer can be placed at the crossroads to supervise the control of the crossings.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

Adjourned at 2.47 P.M., on motion of Councillor Hurley, to meet on Monday, March 24, 1952, at 2 P.M.

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

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CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of City Council.

Monday, March 24, 1952.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President PIEMONTE in the chair and all the members present.

The Rev. Timothy F. O'Leary, of the Catholic Cathedral of the Holy Cross, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY REV. TIMOTHY F. O'LEARY.

Almighty and Eternal God, graciously grant that as Thy Divine Son became Man in order to become "like unto us in all things except sin," so now may He come again to bring justice and charity into our imperfect minds and hearts.

We pray that we may lift up our minds and hearts to Thee, the One true Remedy for the anxieties and distractions which come from the pursuit of selfish and material goals.

We pray that we shall always submit to Thy Holy Will as made known to us through Thy Holy Spirit. May we thus learn where there is wisdom, where there is strength, where there is understanding, where there is length of days and life, and where there is the light of the eyes and peace.

May the unselfish love of God and of our neighbor be manifest in each of us. May this divinely inspired love be the mark by which true leaders of government will be recognized at home in our beloved city and abroad. May this love be, as God wills it to be, the conqueror of hatred and strife, the bond of unity among all our citizens, and the sure guaranty of peace among us all. These petitions we humbly ask in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, Amen.

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, with authority to serve civil process upon the filing of bond, for term ending April 30, 1952: Robert Barrah Goldberg, 63 Washington street, Dorchester.

Weigher of Goods, for term ending April 30, 1952: Samuel Weitzman, 652 Washington street, Brookline; Arthur Green, 39 Crehare Drive, Newton Lower Falls.

Weighers of Goods and Gaugers of Liquids, for term ending April 30, 1952: Frank M. Keenan, 21 Ruggles place, Dorchester; Warren Taylor, 59 Taylor street, Malden.

Severally referred to the Committee on Confirmations.

ACCEPTANCE OF GLENDALE TERRACE, WARD 22.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 21, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Board of Street Commissioners relative to your order of February 25, 1952, concerning the laying out of Glendale terrace, Ward 22, as a public way.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Street Laying-Out Department,
March 3, 1952.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the following Council order dated February 25, 1952:

"Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through His Honor the Mayor, to accept and lay out Glendale terrace, Ward 22, as a public way."

This street is included in our current program for 1952.

We expect to advertise a public hearing within the next few months on the laying out and acceptance as a public way.

Very truly yours,

L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

NAMING OF INTERSECTION IN HONOR OF JOHN J. JOYCE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 21, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Board of Street Commissioners relative to your order of March 3, 1952, concerning the intersection of Dorchester avenue and East Cottage street, Dorchester, being renamed in honor of Pfc. John J. Joyce, who was killed in action in Italy in 1944.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Street Laying-Out Department,
March 6, 1952.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I have your communication of March 5, addressed to the Committee to Memorialize Veterans, enclosing City Council order introduced by Councillor Hailer requesting that the intersection of Dorchester avenue and East Cottage street be designated in honor of Pfc. John J. Joyce, U. S. Infantry, 34th Division, who was killed in action in Italy, 1944.

I beg to advise that the next meeting of the Committee to Memorialize Veterans is scheduled for the middle of April, at which time this request will be given every consideration.

Very truly yours,

L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

SPECIAL SCHOOL FOR SUBNORMAL CHILDREN.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 20, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the manager of the George Robert White Fund relative to your order of March 3, 1952, requesting the consideration of the advisability of erecting a special school for subnormal children.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
George Robert White Fund,
March 18, 1952.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I have your communication of March 5, 1952, in regard to City Council order of March 3, 1952, requesting consideration of the advisability of erecting a special school for subnormal children.

Quote from the will of George Robert White "No part of said income shall be used for a religious, political, educational or any purpose which it shall be the duty of the City in the ordinary course

of events to provide." It would seem that this project is both "educational" and the "duty of the City to provide."

Very truly yours,

JAMES J. MCCARTHY.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

**NOTIFICATION TO POLICE CAPTAINS RE
EARLY DISMISSAL OF SCHOOL
CHILDREN.**

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, March 20, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith copy of report received from the office of the Police Commissioner with regard to your order of March 10, 1952, requesting that the Police Commissioner confer with the Superintendent of Public Schools and the Director of Parochial Schools in the City of Boston in order to make it mandatory that the principals of Schools notify the police captain of the division where the school is located when school is being dismissed outside of regular school hours so that an officer can be placed at the crossroads to supervise the control of the crossings.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,

Police Department, March 15, 1952.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,

Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

Returned herewith is City Council order of March 10, 1952, reading as follows:

"That the Police Commissioner be requested to confer with the Superintendent of Public Schools and the Director of Parochial Schools in the City of Boston for a discussion to make it mandatory that the principals of schools notify the police captain of the division where the school is located when school is being dismissed outside of the regular school hours so that an officer can be placed at the crossroads to supervise the control of the crossings."

I shall be very happy to confer with the Superintendent of Schools and the Director of Parochial Schools relative to providing traffic supervision, insofar as it is possible, when schools are dismissed at times other than the regular hours.

Very truly yours,

THOMAS F. SULLIVAN,

Police Commissioner.

Placed on file.

**BOARD FENCE FROM CASTLE ISLAND
TO FARRAGUT ROAD.**

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, March 21, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Director of the Port of Boston Authority relative to your order of February 13, 1952, concerning the request for the construction of a solid board fence of attractive design, from Castle Island to Farragut road, in South Boston, along the William J. Day Boulevard, to replace the present chain-link fence which separates the Castle Island Terminal from Marine Park.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts,

Port of Boston Authority,

February 27, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes,

Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

We have your memorandum dated February 19, 1952, transmitting a copy of an order passed by the City Council, City of Boston, requesting the Port of Boston Authority to construct a solid board fence of attractive design, from Castle Island to Farragut road, in South Boston, along the William J. Day Boulevard, to replace the present chain-link fence which separates the Castle Island Terminal from Marine Park.

We have given the request considerable study, and find that the erection of a board fence to replace the present chain-link fence would not be desirable or practical. The cost of a board fence of attractive design would be very great, and its maintenance would be extremely high. If the board fence were not maintained in the highest order, its appearance would be much more unsightly than that of the present chain-link fence. A wooden fence would also be a definite fire hazard. For the security of the terminal we find that a chain-link fence is far more adequate.

It is our suggestion that if the city desires to improve the appearance of the William J. Day Boulevard, shrubbery and small trees be planted.

We regret that we cannot comply with your request, and hope that you will understand the position of the Authority from the functional and economic aspects.

Very truly yours,

PORT OF BOSTON AUTHORITY,

by JOHN M. BRESNAHAN, Director.

Placed on file.

**LOAN FOR CONSTRUCTION OF
PUBLIC WAYS.**

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, March 21, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of a communication from the Commissioner of Public Works in which he requests that a loan in the amount of \$2,000,000 be approved for "Public Ways, Construction of."

At the present time the unencumbered balance in this account is \$220,000, which will all be spent within the next few weeks because of reconstruction of Washington and Cambridge streets, in Brighton, and Spring street, in West Roxbury. In addition to these main highways, it is expected that seven other main highways will be commenced promptly by the State Department of Public Works. As you know these highways, constructed by the state, under chapter 90 of the General Laws, are paid 50 per cent by the state government and 50 per cent by the city government.

In order that there will be no delay in the very necessary construction of these roads, and in the construction of other streets badly in need of repair, I strongly urge that your Honorable Body give this loan order prompt attention and action.

It is extremely important that moneys be available early in the year in order that the program contemplated for the year may be completed. Therefore, I trust that your Honorable Body will give prompt passage to the accompanying order.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,

Public Works Department,

March 21, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes,

Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

At the present time, there is an unencumbered balance of approximately \$220,000 in the "Public Ways, Construction of" account for highway construction and reconstruction work during the current year.

It is our intention, once again, to undertake one of the largest Chapter 90 state-aid projects in the history of the city. With the cooperation of the State Department of Public Works we have made big strides in the past two years in reconstructing many of the main highways in this city, at a substantially reduced cost to the real estate owners, due to the fact that the State Department of Public Works has paid for half the cost of the work, under the provisions of section 34 of chapter 90 of the General Laws. In view of the obvious financial advantages of the Chapter 90 program, it is unquestionably in the best interests of the city to provide the necessary matching money at as early a date as possible, in order to insure the completion of the proposed program before the end of the current year.

About two weeks ago, bids were opened in the office of the State Department of Public Works, for the reconstruction of Washington street and Cambridge street, in Brighton, from Union square

to Oak square, a distance of approximately 8,900 feet. The low bid is in the amount of \$183,000, and, therefore, with the encumbrance of this contract, the unencumbered balance of the "Public Ways, Construction of" account will approximate \$37,000.

Bids are to be opened on Tuesday, April 1, at the State Department of Public Works, for the reconstruction of Spring street, West Roxbury, as a Chapter 90 project, and it is the intention of the State Department to open bids on April 12 for the reconstruction of Bennington street, East Boston, from Day square to Walley street.

The latter two-referenced projects will total approximately \$400,000, and it is most important, therefore, that steps be taken to provide for the passage, by the City Council, of a new loan order to provide sufficient money, not only to encumber the latter two-referenced Chapter 90 projects, but also to encumber the other Chapter 90 projects that will be undertaken this year, in addition to our normal street construction program to be carried out in residential areas and on so-called secondary streets.

The tentative Chapter 90 program, which calls for the reconstruction of approximately seven miles of main highways in various sections of the city, is as follows:

Washington street, Brighton, from Cambridge street to Oak square, approximately 5,100 feet.

Cambridge street, Brighton, from Union square to Washington street, approximately 3,800 feet.

Alford street, Charlestown, from Mystic River to the Everett line, approximately 2,100 feet.

Spring street, West Roxbury, from Centre street to Veterans of Foreign Wars Parkway, approximately 3,690 feet.

South Huntington avenue, Roxbury, from Huntington avenue to Centre street, approximately 4,600 feet.

Allandale street, West Roxbury, from Centre street to the Brookline line, approximately 3,500 feet.

Bennington street, East Boston, from Day square to Walley street, approximately 7,500 feet.

Cambridge street, City Proper, from the Charles Street Traffic Circle to and including Scollay square, approximately 3,200 feet.

Washington street, Roslindale, from Cummins Highway to West Roxbury Parkway, approximately 5,400 feet.

Grand total length, 38,890 feet or seven miles.

As stated, in addition to the above-referenced Chapter 90 projects, it is most essential that we carry out our normal street construction and reconstruction program that is to be paid entirely out of city funds. I feel that we shall need at least \$2,000,000 in addition to our present unencumbered balance to provide sufficient funds to effect the Chapter 90 program and our regular street improvement work.

I respectfully recommend, therefore, that the attached loan order, which provides for the issuance of so-called "Public Ways, Construction of" bonds in the amount of \$2,000,000, be submitted to the City Council for the approval of that Body.

Respectfully yours,

GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Ordered, That under the provisions of clause 5 of section 7 of chapter 44 of the General Laws, the sum of two million dollars (\$2,000,000) 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 Appropriations and Finance.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

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

Claims.

Aetna Casualty and Surety Company, to be paid for medical expenses of Robert E. Stevens, employee of Whiting Milk Company, who was injured because of an alleged defect at 39 Fort avenue, Roxbury.

Samuel J. Allen, for compensation for damage to property at 12 Anson street, Jamaica Plain, caused by break in water main.

Ashmont Auto School, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Bay State Smelting Company, Inc., for compensation for damage to truck by city truck.

Anna A. Bohn, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Alice Branagan, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 98 Queensberry street.

Phyllis Bryant, for son Paul R., for compensation for injuries caused by city truck.

William R. Burke, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Matthew Campanella, for compensation for damage to property at 12 Anson street, Jamaica Plain, caused by break in water main.

Joseph Cappucci, for compensation for damage to property and injuries caused by snowplow.

Mary J. Carey, for compensation for damage to property at 8 Spaulding street, Jamaica Plain, caused by break in water main.

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

Joseph and Charles Fagone, for compensation for damage to property by falling branch.

Thomas J. Flynn, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Madeleine E. Gavin, for compensation for collapse of water boiler at 47 Johnswood road, Roslindale, caused by water being shut off.

Amlito Giordano, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect in Causeway street.

William Goldstein, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at Faneuil Hall Market stairway.

Ralph Greenberg, for compensation for injuries caused by falling street sign at Washington and Boylston streets.

Grace Hartford, for compensation for collapse of water boiler at 29 Wachusett street, caused by break in water main.

John Higgins, for compensation for damage to property at 198 South street, Jamaica Plain, caused by broken water main.

Paul G. Hoban, for compensation for damage to property at 12 Anson street, Jamaica Plain, caused by break in water main.

Mary Hogarty, for compensation for damage to property at 200 South street, Jamaica Plain, caused by break in water main.

Anne M. Jurusz, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

William J. Kearney, for compensation for damage to car by car of Health Department.

Dennis F. Kenney, for compensation for damage to property at 198 South street, Jamaica Plain, caused by break in water main.

Francis J. King, for compensation for damage to property at 828 Centre street, Jamaica Plain, caused by city truck.

William F. LaCoste, for compensation for collapse of water boiler at 101 Fletcher street, Roslindale, caused by break in water main.

Joseph S. Locke, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Public Works Department, Automotive Division.

Patrik F. McCue, for compensation for damage to property at 22 Spaulding street, Jamaica Plain, caused by break in water main.

Mary C. McGloin, for compensation for damage to property at 19 Spaulding street, Jamaica Plain, caused by break in water main.

James E. McNabb, for compensation for damage to property at 52 Bradford avenue, Roslindale, caused by break in water pipe.

William J. Mee, for compensation for damage to property at 8 Spaulding street, Jamaica Plain, caused by break in water main.

Dr. J. P. Montague, for compensation for damage to car by snowplow.

Mrs. Matthew J. Mordas, for compensation for damage to clothing by street washing truck.

Ellis J. Morton, for compensation for damage to car by snowplow.

Robert L. Peel, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Joseph W. Rahall, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Public Works Department, Highway Division.

Stanley W. Shumilla, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Francis Silvia, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

B. Sorota, trustee, to be reimbursed for expenses in repairing leak in water pipe at 74 Ashton street, Dorchester.

Maleolm Spring, for compensation for damage to car by snowplow of Park Department.

John P. Sullivan, for compensation for damage to property at 46 Woodbrier road, West Roxbury, caused by overflow of water.

Mary J. Sweeney, for compensation for loss of dentures while patient at City Hospital.

John Van Tassell, for compensation for damage to car by sanding truck.

James F. Travers, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Kirke W. Walker, for compensation for collapse of water boiler at 100 Neponset avenue, Hyde Park, caused by water being shut off.

Paul W. Whitty, for compensation for damage to property at 59 Tacoma street, caused during sidewalk construction.

John Wren, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Public Works Department, Bridge and Highway Division.

Bernard F. Crowley, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

John J. Dahill, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Public Works Department, Highway Division.

John J. McGrath, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Board of Foreclosed Real Estate Division.

John M. Perry, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him on account of his acts as employee of Public Works Department, Bridge and Ferry Division.

Mary A. Sirignano, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 15 and 16 Charter street.

Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Boston American League Baseball Company for Sunday sports at Fenway Park, from March 15, 1952, to March 15, 1953.

Petition of National League Baseball Club of Boston, Inc., for Sunday sports at Braves Field, from March 15, 1952, to March 15, 1953.

Petition of Eastern Massachusetts Street Railway Company for license to operate motor vehicles on Blackstone, North, Cross, and Hanover streets.

PETITIONS FOR ANNUITIES.

Petition of Mary F. Wallace, to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, Joseph F. Wallace, late member of the Fire Department.

Petition of Mary G. Dunbar, to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, John J. Dunbar, late member of Fire Department.

Severally referred to the Committee on Claims.

PERMITS FOR CHILDREN.

Petitions for children under 15 years of age to appear at places of public amusement were received as follows:

Mary Campbell, Jordan Hall, June 9.
Boston Children's Theatre, New England Mutual Hall, April 5, 19.
Boston Accordion Center, Recital Hall, May 25.
Permits granted under usual conditions.

NOTICE FROM DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held on April 2, at 10.15 a.m., on petition of New England Road Builders Association amending minimum hourly rates for vehicles.

Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

APPROVAL OF CONSTABLE'S BOND.

The constable's bond of Louis Levin, having been duly approved by the City Treasurer, was received and approved.

COMMENDATION OF MAYOR HYNES RE EASTER GIFTS TO MEMBERS OF ARMED FORCES.

Coun. WHITE offered the following:

Resolved, That Mayor John B. Hynes be publicly commended by the Boston City Council for giving leadership to the project sponsored by the Christmas Festival Committee which is currently engaged in providing all of the more than 2,000 Boston men and women on foreign duty with the armed forces at Korea, Europe, and Japan with boxes of Easter candy in the name of the "Grateful People of Boston," and that the people of Boston be urged to give the project their generous financial support.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

COMMENDATION OF MAYOR AND BOSTON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE RE CLEAN-UP CAMPAIGN.

Coun. WHITE offered the following:

Resolved, That Mayor John B. Hynes and the Boston Chamber of Commerce be publicly commended by the Boston City Council for sponsoring the current Boston Clean-Up, Paint-Up, Fix-Up Campaign which has for its purpose the promotion of "Better Living in the City of Boston," and that all home owners, tenants, and business property owners be urged to give the campaign their full cooperation.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

COVERING OF STONY BROOK.

Coun. HALLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to confer with the Commissioner of Public Works for the purpose of drafting plans to cover Stony Brook, which runs from the Hyde Park-West Roxbury line for a distance of two miles to West street, Hyde Park.

Referred to the Committee on Public Services and Recreation.

PAYMENT TO JAMES F. DREY.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:

Resolved, That the City Council of Boston favors the consideration by the Legislature of the petition now held under Joint Rule 7B authorizing the payment of a sum of money to James F. Drey for services rendered said city, provided that any such legislation enacted includes a referendum to the Mayor and City Council.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

INSTALLATION OF ELECTRIC LIGHT ON BERKELEY STREET.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:

Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to have an electric light installed on Berkeley street,

Boston, between Police Headquarters and the American Mutual Insurance Company building. Referred to the Executive Committee.

RECESS.

On motion of Councillor Foley the Council voted at 2.34 P.M., to take a recess subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled and were called to order by President PIEMONTE at 4.44 P.M.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

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

1. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred February 25) for sale of portion of Franklin Field to Boston Housing Authority—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the order was given its second reading and passage, yeas 8, nays 0:

Yeas—Councillors Ahearn, Foley, Hailer, Hurley, Joyce, Kerrigan, Ward, White—8.

Nays—0.

Voting Present—Councillor Piemonte—1.

2. Report on message of Mayor (referred February 25) requesting action on order re sale of portion of Franklin Field to Boston Housing Authority—that same be placed on file.

The report was accepted and the message was placed on file.

3. Report on resolution (referred today) favoring consideration by Legislature of petition authorizing payment of money to James F. Drey—recommending adoption of the resolution. The report was accepted, and the resolution was adopted.

4. Report on message of Mayor and communication (referred today) concerning naming intersection of Dorchester avenue and East Cottage street, Dorchester, in honor of John J. Joyce—recommending same be placed on file.

The report was accepted and the message and communication were placed on file.

5. Report on message of Mayor and communication (referred today) concerning laying out of Glendale terrace, Ward 22, as a public way—recommending same be placed on file.

The report was accepted and the message and communication were placed on file.

APPOINTMENT OF MINOR OFFICERS PAID BY FEES.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 24, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

Subject to confirmation by your Honorable Body, I hereby make the following appointments of minor officers paid by fees for the term of one year, beginning with the first day of May, 1952.

The appointments of all such officers not named herein are hereby revoked from and after April 30, 1952.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

(Annexed was a list as contained in City Document No. 40—1952.)

Referred to Committee on Confirmations.

CONSTABLES AUTHORIZED TO SERVE CIVIL PROCESS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 24, 1952.
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, 1952, authorized to serve civil process upon filing of bond.

The commissions of all constables authorized to serve civil process not named herein expire on April 30, 1952, and such constables are hereby removed from office from and after May 1, 1952, for the good of the service.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Constables authorized to serve civil process upon filing bonds:

Samuel J. Adelman, 36 Regent street, Ward 12; Henry Atwood, 16 National street, Ward 7; George A. Baird, Jr., 23 Waterford street, Ward 3; Samuel C. Baker, 101 Wellington Hill street, Ward 14; Morton L. Bardfield, 4 Brinsley street, Ward 14; Irving E. Bennett, 20 Deakard street, Ward 12; Alfred Blaustein, 23 Fernboro street, Ward 14; Abram Bornstein, 625 Warren street, Ward 12; Howard P. Camden, 35 Range road, Ward 17; James A. Canton, 169 Glenway street, Ward 14; Sidney Cohen, 70 American Legion Highway, Ward 14; John D. Cole, 14 West Cottage street, Ward 13; Leo P. Conlan, 30 Fidelis way, Ward 21; John M. Crawford, 27 Washington street, Ward 2; William T. Culpin, 54 Edison Green, Ward 13; John A. D'Arcy, 51 Colchester street, Ward 18; Edward A. DeSimone, 60 Bayswater street, Ward 1; James E. Desmond, 7 Mapleton street, Ward 22; William J. DuRoss, 462 Gallivan Boulevard, Ward 16; Gaetano D. Finamore, 191 Marion street, Ward 1; Harry Freedman, 129 Columbia road, Ward 14; Harry Freedman, 180 Seaver street, Ward 12; James J. Gannon, 45 Compton street, Ward 5; Robert B. Goldberg, 63 Washington street, Ward 14; Roland W. Golden, 38 Regent street, Ward 12; Abner Goldkrand, 48 Wenonah street, Ward 12; Meyer Goldstein, 27 Long avenue, Ward 21; Louis E. Grace, 97 Wellington Hill street, Ward 14; Salvatore Grasso, 11 Copeland street, Ward 12; Edward C. Gurnon, 24 Bellflower street, Ward 7; John W. Herbert, 726 Saratoga street, Ward 1; James A. Hickey, 59 Parsons street, Ward 22; Edward L. Hoffman, 8 Stanwood street, Ward 14; Samuel Kofman, 50 Bradshaw street, Ward 14; Bronis Kontrim, 120 Marine road, Ward 7; Mark H. Krafsur, 447 Norfolk street, Ward 14; Nathan Kravitsky, 306 Washington street, Ward 14; John F. Lally, 97 Waldeck street, Ward 17; Carmen J. Lauria, 31 Appleton street, Ward 5; Charles I. Lesser, 120 Corey road, Ward 21; Louis Levendorf, 421 Warren street, Ward 12; Louis Levin, 40 Lawrence avenue, Ward 14; Maurice Levine, 40 Wolcott street, Ward 14; Melvin H. Ligums, 27 Abbot street, Ward 14; Paula M. Ligums, 27 Abbot street, Ward 14; Alfred Lubin, 60 The Fenway, Ward 14; Anthony Luongo, 855 Saratoga street, Ward 1; William H. Lynch, 236 Kittredge street, Ward 18; Frank J. Maccchia, 770 East Fourth street, Ward 7; Salvatore Maffei, 11 Orient avenue, Ward 1; Andrew Martin, 22 Payston street, Ward 13; James F. Martin, 120 Corey road, Ward 21; Joseph W. McCleary, 307 West street, Ward 18; John A. McGillivray, 24 Uperest road, Ward 22; Francis J. Melville, Jr., 10 Auburn street, Ward 2; Frank A. Mitchell, 7 Bruce street, Ward 16; Louis H. Oppenheim, 7 Mt. Hood road, Ward 21; Andrew S. Palermo, 18 Bloomfield street, Ward 17; Phillip J. Phillips, 829 Blue Hill avenue, Ward 14; George N. Pierce, 15 Atherton street, Ward 11; Louis Richmond, 111 Waumbeck street, Ward 12; Frank A. Roche, 20 Lexington street, Ward 8; Edward J. Rockett, 15 Worcester square, Ward 8; William T. Ross, 41 Intervale street, Ward 14; Jacob E. Schrank, 735 Veterans Foreign Wars Parkway, Ward 20; Joseph P. Schrank, 735 Veterans Foreign Wars Parkway, Ward 20; Samuel Schwartz, 7 Havelock street, Ward 14; Francis C. Shack, 22 Delle avenue, Ward 10; Frank Shaw, 12 Codman street, Ward 17; Edward W. Sheehan, 26 Burgoyne street, Ward 16; Sidney Sheinfeld, 166 Rosseter street, Ward 14; Isaac Shulman, 128 Devon street, Ward 14; Joseph Simansky, 77 Nightingale street, Ward 14; Henry J. D. Small, 14 Windermere road, Ward 13; Leon Small, 98 Hemenway street, Ward 4; Clifford L. Smith, 11 Euclid street, Ward 17; Harry Smith, 526 Massachusetts avenue, Ward 9; Solomon Spack, 16 Georgia street, Ward 12; Frank Spano, 31 Sargent street, Ward 13; Eli Sternberg, 598 Harvard street, Ward 14; Frederick Sturn, 139 Wellington Hill street, Ward 14;

Jerome Suvall, 19 Owen street, Ward 18; Benjamin J. Tackeff, 52 Columbia road, Ward 14; William Tatel, 172 Seaver street, Ward 12; William Tepper, 4 Intervale street, Ward 12; Joseph Todisco, 189 Paris street, Ward 1; Rudolph L. Trent, 30 Sarsfield street, Ward 9; Roman J. Vasil, 11 Granada avenue, Ward 18; Sidney Williams, 37 Winthrop street, Ward 12; Louis Yacker, 1063 Blue Hill avenue, Ward 14; Morris Youman, 5 Pama Gardens, Ward 22; Robert C. Younken, 8 Sherwood court, Ward 8; Francis S. Zarthar, 40 West Newton street, Ward 9.

Referred to the Committee on Confirmations.

CONFERENCE WITH WHITE FUND
TRUSTEES RE SCHOOL FOR SUB-
NORMAL CHILDREN.

Coun. WARD offered the following:

Ordered, That the Trustees of the George Robert White Fund be requested, by his Honor

the Mayor, to extend to all the members of the City Council an invitation to appear at the next meeting of the Trustees of the George Robert White Fund relative to the erection of a special school for subnormal children out of the said White Fund income.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

Adjourned at 4.50 P.M., on motion of Councillor White, to meet on Monday, March 31, 1952, 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 24, 1952.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President PIEMONTE in the chair and all the members present.

The Rev. Timothy F. O'Leary, of the Catholic Cathedral of the Holy Cross, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY REV. TIMOTHY F. O'LEARY.

Almighty and Eternal God, graciously grant that as Thy Divine Son became Man in order to become "like unto us in all things except sin," so now may He come again to bring justice and charity into our imperfect minds and hearts.

We pray that we may lift up our minds and hearts to Thee, the One true Remedy for the anxieties and distractions which come from the pursuit of selfish and material goals.

We pray that we shall always submit to Thy Holy Will as made known to us through Thy Holy Spirit. May we thus learn where there is wisdom, where there is strength, where there is understanding, where there is length of days and life, and where there is the light of the eyes and peace.

May the unselfish love of God and of our neighbor be manifest in each of us. May this divinely inspired love be the mark by which true leaders of government will be recognized at home in our beloved city and abroad. May this love be, as God wills it to be, the conqueror of hatred and strife, the bond of unity among all our citizens, and the sure guaranty of peace among us all. These petitions we humbly ask in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, Amen.

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, with authority to serve civil process upon the filing of bond, for term ending April 30, 1952: Robert Barrah Goldberg, 63 Washington street, Dorchester.

Weigher of Goods, for term ending April 30, 1952: Samuel Weitzman, 652 Washington street, Brookline; Arthur Green, 39 Crehare Drive, Newton Lower Falls.

Weighers of Goods and Gaugers of Liquids, for term ending April 30, 1952: Frank M. Keenan, 21 Ruggles place, Dorchester; Warren Taylor, 59 Taylor street, Malden.

Severally referred to the Committee on Confirmations.

ACCEPTANCE OF GLENDALE TERRACE, WARD 22.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, March 21, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Board of Street Commissioners relative to your order of February 25, 1952, concerning the laying out of Glendale terrace, Ward 22, as a public way.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Street Laying-Out Department,
March 3, 1952.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the following Council order dated February 25, 1952:

"Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through His Honor the Mayor, to accept and lay out Glendale terrace, Ward 22, as a public way."

This street is included in our current program for 1952.

We expect to advertise a public hearing within the next few months on the laying out and acceptance as a public way.

Very truly yours,

L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

NAMING OF INTERSECTION IN HONOR OF JOHN J. JOYCE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, March 21, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Board of Street Commissioners relative to your order of March 3, 1952, concerning the intersection of Dorchester avenue and East Cottage street, Dorchester, being renamed in honor of Pfc. John J. Joyce, who was killed in action in Italy in 1944.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,

Street Laying-Out Department,
March 6, 1952.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I have your communication of March 5, addressed to the Committee to Memorialize Veterans, enclosing City Council order introduced by Councilor Hailer requesting that the intersection of Dorchester avenue and East Cottage street be designated in honor of Pfc. John J. Joyce, U. S. Infantry, 34th Division, who was killed in action in Italy, 1944.

I beg to advise that the next meeting of the Committee to Memorialize Veterans is scheduled for the middle of April, at which time this request will be given every consideration.

Very truly yours,

L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

SPECIAL SCHOOL FOR SUBNORMAL CHILDREN.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, March 20, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the manager of the George Robert White Fund relative to your order of March 3, 1952, requesting the consideration of the advisability of erecting a special school for subnormal children.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,

George Robert White Fund,
March 18, 1952.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I have your communication of March 5, 1952, in regard to City Council order of March 3, 1952, requesting consideration of the advisability of erecting a special school for subnormal children.

Quote from the will of George Robert White "No part of said income shall be used for a religious, political, educational or any purpose which it shall be the duty of the City in the ordinary course

of events to provide." It would seem that this project is both "educational" and the "duty of the City to provide."

Very truly yours,

JAMES J. MCCARTHY,

Referred to the Executive Committee.

NOTIFICATION TO POLICE CAPTAINS RE EARLY DISMISSAL OF SCHOOL CHILDREN.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, March 20, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith copy of report received from the office of the Police Commissioner with regard to your order of March 10, 1952, requesting that the Police Commissioner confer with the Superintendent of Public Schools and the Director of Parochial Schools in the City of Boston in order to make it mandatory that the principals of Schools notify the police captain of the division where the school is located when school is being dismissed outside of regular school hours so that an officer can be placed at the crossroads to supervise the control of the crossings.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,

Police Department, March 15, 1952.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,

Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

Returned herewith is City Council order of March 10, 1952, reading as follows:

"That the Police Commissioner be requested to confer with the Superintendent of Public Schools and the Director of Parochial Schools in the City of Boston for a discussion to make it mandatory that the principals of schools notify the police captain of the division where the school is located when school is being dismissed outside of the regular school hours so that an officer can be placed at the crossroads to supervise the control of the crossings."

I shall be very happy to confer with the Superintendent of Schools and the Director of Parochial Schools relative to providing traffic supervision, insofar as it is possible, when schools are dismissed at times other than the regular hours.

Very truly yours,

THOMAS F. SULLIVAN,

Police Commissioner.

Placed on file.

BOARD FENCE FROM CASTLE ISLAND TO FARRAGUT ROAD.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, March 21, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Director of the Port of Boston Authority relative to your order of February 18, 1952, concerning the request for the construction of a solid board fence of attractive design, from Castle Island to Farragut road, in South Boston, along the William J. Day Boulevard, to replace the present chain-link fence which separates the Castle Island Terminal from Marine Park.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts,

Port of Boston Authority,

February 27, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes,

Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

We have your memorandum dated February 19, 1952, transmitting a copy of an order passed by the City Council, City of Boston, requesting the Port of Boston Authority to construct a solid board fence of attractive design, from Castle Island to Farragut road, in South Boston, along the William J. Day Boulevard, to replace the present chain-link fence which separates the Castle Island Terminal from Marine Park.

We have given the request considerable study, and find that the erection of a board fence to replace the present chain-link fence would not be desirable or practical. The cost of a board fence of attractive design would be very great, and its maintenance would be extremely high. If the board fence were not maintained in the highest order, its appearance would be much more unsightly than that of the present chain-link fence. A wooden fence would also be a definite fire hazard. For the security of the terminal we find that a chain-link fence is far more adequate.

It is our suggestion that if the city desires to improve the appearance of the William J. Day Boulevard, shrubbery and small trees be planted.

We regret that we cannot comply with your request, and hope that you will understand the position of the Authority from the functional and economic aspects.

Very truly yours,

PORT OF BOSTON AUTHORITY,

by JOHN M. BRESNAHAN, Director.

Placed on file.

LOAN FOR CONSTRUCTION OF PUBLIC WAYS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, March 21, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of a communication from the Commissioner of Public Works in which he requests that a loan in the amount of \$2,000,000 be approved for "Public Ways, Construction of."

At the present time the unencumbered balance in this account is \$220,000, which will all be spent within the next few weeks because of reconstruction of Washington and Cambridge streets, in Brighton, and Spring street, in West Roxbury. In addition to these main highways, it is expected that seven other main highways will be commenced promptly by the State Department of Public Works. As you know these highways, constructed by the state, under chapter 90 of the General Laws, are paid 50 per cent by the state government and 50 per cent by the city government.

In order that there will be no delay in the very necessary construction of these roads, and in the construction of other streets hadly in need of repair, I strongly urge that your Honorable Body give this loan order prompt attention and action.

It is extremely important that moneys be available early in the year in order that the program contemplated for the year may be completed. Therefore, I trust that your Honorable Body will give prompt passage to the accompanying order.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,

Public Works Department,

March 21, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes,

Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

At the present time, there is an unencumbered balance of approximately \$220,000 in the "Public Ways, Construction of" account for highway construction and reconstruction work during the current year.

It is our intention, once again, to undertake one of the largest Chapter 90 state-aid projects in the history of the city. With the cooperation of the State Department of Public Works we have made big strides in the past two years in reconstructing many of the main highways in this city, at a substantially reduced cost to the real estate owners, due to the fact that the State Department of Public Works has paid for half the cost of the work, under the provisions of section 34 of chapter 90 of the General Laws. In view of the obvious financial advantages of the Chapter 90 program, it is unquestionably in the best interests of the city to provide the necessary matching money at as early a date as possible, in order to insure the completion of the proposed program before the end of the current year.

About two weeks ago, bids were opened in the office of the State Department of Public Works, for the reconstruction of Washington street and Cambridge street, in Brighton, from Union square

to Oak square, a distance of approximately 8,900 feet. The low bid is in the amount of \$183,000, and, therefore, with the encumbrance of this contract, the unencumbered balance of the "Public Ways, Construction of" account will approximate \$37,000.

Bids are to be opened on Tuesday, April 1, at the State Department of Public Works, for the reconstruction of Spring street, West Roxbury, as a Chapter 90 project, and it is the intention of the State Department to open bids on April 12 for the reconstruction of Bennington street, East Boston, from Day square to Walley street.

The latter two-referenced projects will total approximately \$400,000, and it is most important, therefore, that steps be taken to provide for the passage, by the City Council, of a new loan order to provide sufficient money, not only to encumber the latter two-referenced Chapter 90 projects, but also to encumber the other Chapter 90 projects that will be undertaken this year, in addition to our normal street construction program to be carried out in residential areas and on so-called secondary streets.

The tentative Chapter 90 program, which calls for the reconstruction of approximately seven miles of main highways in various sections of the city, is as follows:

Washington street, Brighton, from Cambridge street to Oak square, approximately 5,100 feet.

Cambridge street, Brighton, from Union square to Washington street, approximately 3,800 feet.

Alford street, Charlestown, from Mystic River to the Everett line, approximately 2,100 feet.

Spring street, West Roxbury, from Centre street to Veterans of Foreign Wars Parkway, approximately 3,690 feet.

South Huntington avenue, Roxbury, from Huntington avenue to Centre street, approximately 4,600 feet.

Allandale street, West Roxbury, from Centre street to the Brookline line, approximately 3,500 feet.

Bennington street, East Boston, from Day square to Walley street, approximately 7,500 feet.

Cambridge street, City Proper, from the Charles Street Traffic Circle to and including Scollay square, approximately 3,200 feet.

Washington street, Roslindale, from Cummins Highway to West Roxbury Parkway, approximately 5,400 feet.

Grand total length, 38,890 feet or seven miles.

As stated, in addition to the above-referenced Chapter 90 projects, it is most essential that we carry out our normal street construction and reconstruction program that is to be paid entirely out of city funds. I feel that we shall need at least \$2,000,000 in addition to our present unencumbered balance to provide sufficient funds to effect the Chapter 90 program and our regular street improvement work.

I respectfully recommend, therefore, that the attached loan order, which provides for the issuance of so-called "Public Ways, Construction of" bonds in the amount of \$2,000,000, be submitted to the City Council for the approval of that Body.

Respectfully yours,

GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Ordered, That under the provisions of clause 5 of section 7 of chapter 44 of the General Laws, the sum of two million dollars (\$2,000,000) 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 Appropriations and Finance.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

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

Claims.

Aetna Casualty and Surety Company, to be paid for medical expenses of Robert E. Stevens, employee of Whiting Milk Company, who was injured because of an alleged defect at 39 Fort avenue, Roxbury.

Samuel J. Allen, for compensation for damage to property at 12 Anson street, Jamaica Plain, caused by break in water main.

Ashmont Auto School, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Bay State Smelting Company, Inc., for compensation for damage to truck by city truck.

Anna A. Bohn, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Alice Branagan, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 98 Queensberry street.

Phyllis Bryant, for son Paul R., for compensation for injuries caused by city truck.

William R. Burke, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Matthew Campanella, for compensation for damage to property at 12 Anson street, Jamaica Plain, caused by break in water main.

Joseph Cappucci, for compensation for damage to property and injuries caused by snowplow.

Mary J. Carey, for compensation for damage to property at 8 Spaulding street, Jamaica Plain, caused by break in water main.

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

Joseph and Charles Fagone, for compensation for damage to property by falling branch.

Thomas J. Flynn, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Madeleine E. Gavin, for compensation for collapse of water boiler at 47 Johnswood road, Roslindale, caused by water being shut off.

Amlito Giordano, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect in Causeway street.

William Goldstein, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at Faneuil Hall Market stairway.

Ralph Greenberg, for compensation for injuries caused by falling street sign at Washington and Boylston streets.

Grace Hartford, for compensation for collapse of water boiler at 29 Wachusett street, caused by break in water main.

John Higgins, for compensation for damage to property at 198 South street, Jamaica Plain, caused by broken water main.

Paul G. Hoban, for compensation for damage to property at 12 Anson street, Jamaica Plain, caused by break in water main.

Mary Hogarty, for compensation for damage to property at 200 South street, Jamaica Plain, caused by break in water main.

Anne M. Jurusz, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

William J. Kearney, for compensation for damage to car by car of Health Department.

Dennis F. Kenney, for compensation for damage to property at 198 South street, Jamaica Plain, caused by break in water main.

Francis J. King, for compensation for damage to property at 828 Centre street, Jamaica Plain, caused by city truck.

William F. LaCoste, for compensation for collapse of water boiler at 101 Fletcher street, Roslindale, caused by break in water main.

Joseph S. Locke, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Public Works Department, Automotive Division.

Patrick F. McCue, for compensation for damage to property at 22 Spaulding street, Jamaica Plain, caused by break in water main.

Mary C. McGloin, for compensation for damage to property at 19 Spaulding street, Jamaica Plain, caused by break in water main.

James E. McNabb, for compensation for damage to property at 52 Bradford avenue, Roslindale, caused by break in water pipe.

William J. Mee, for compensation for damage to property at 8 Spaulding street, Jamaica Plain, caused by break in water main.

Dr. J. P. Montague, for compensation for damage to car by snowplow.

Mrs. Matthew J. Mordas, for compensation for damage to clothing by street washing truck.

Ellis J. Morton, for compensation for damage to car by snowplow.

Robert L. Peel, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Joseph W. Rahall, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Public Works Department, Highway Division.

Stanley W. Shumilla, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Francis Silvia, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

B. Sorota, trustee, to be reimbursed for expenses in repairing leak in water pipe at 74 Ashton street, Dorchester.

Malcolm Spring, for compensation for damage to car by snowplow of Park Department.

John P. Sullivan, for compensation for damage to property at 46 Woodhrier road, West Roxbury, caused by overflow of water.

Mary J. Sweeney, for compensation for loss of dentures while patient at City Hospital.

John Van Tassell, for compensation for damage to car by sanding truck.

James F. Travers, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Kirke W. Walker, for compensation for collapse of water hoiler at 100 Neponset avenue, Hyde Park, caused by water being shut off.

Paul W. Whitty, for compensation for damage to property at 59 Tacoma street, caused during sidewalk construction.

John Wren, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Public Works Department, Bridge and Highway Division.

Bernard F. Crowley, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

John J. Dahill, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Public Works Department, Highway Division.

John J. McGrath, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Board of Foreclosed Real Estate Division.

John M. Perry, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him on account of his acts as employee of Public Works Department, Bridge and Ferry Division.

Mary A. Sirignano, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 15 and 16 Charter street.

Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Boston American League Baseball Company for Sunday sports at Fenway Park, from March 15, 1952, to March 15, 1953.

Petition of National League Baseball Club of Boston, Inc., for Sunday sports at Braves Field, from March 15, 1952, to March 15, 1953.

Petition of Eastern Massachusetts Street Railway Company for license to operate motor vehicles on Blackstone, North, Cross, and Hanover streets.

PETITIONS FOR ANNUITIES.

Petition of Mary F. Wallace, to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, Joseph F. Wallace, late member of the Fire Department.

Petition of Mary G. Dunbar, to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, John J. Dunbar, late member of Fire Department.

Severally referred to the Committee on Claims.

PERMITS FOR CHILDREN.

Petitions for children under 15 years of age to appear at places of public amusement were received as follows:

Mary Campbell, Jordan Hall, June 9.
Boston Children's Theatre, New England Mutual Hall, April 5, 19.
Boston Accordion Center, Recital Hall, May 25.
Permits granted under usual conditions.

NOTICE FROM DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held on April 2, at 10.15 A.M., on petition of New England Road Builders Association amending minimum hourly rates for vehicles.

Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

APPROVAL OF CONSTABLE'S BOND.

The constable's bond of Louis Levin, having been duly approved by the City Treasurer, was received and approved.

COMMENDATION OF MAYOR HYNES RE EASTER GIFTS TO MEMBERS OF ARMED FORCES.

Coun. WHITE offered the following:

Resolved, That Mayor John B. Hynes be publicly commended by the Boston City Council for giving leadership to the project sponsored by the Christmas Festival Committee which is currently engaged in providing all of the more than 2,000 Boston men and women on foreign duty with the armed forces at Korea, Europe, and Japan with boxes of Easter candy in the name of the "Grateful People of Boston," and that the people of Boston be urged to give the project their generous financial support.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

COMMENDATION OF MAYOR AND BOSTON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE RE CLEAN-UP CAMPAIGN.

Coun. WHITE offered the following:

Resolved, That Mayor John B. Hynes and the Boston Chamber of Commerce be publicly commended by the Boston City Council for sponsoring the current Boston Clean-Up, Paint-Up, Fix-Up Campaign which has for its purpose the promotion of "Better Living in the City of Boston," and that all home owners, tenants, and business property owners be urged to give the campaign their full cooperation.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

COVERING OF STONY BROOK.

Coun. HAILER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to confer with the Commissioner of Public Works for the purpose of drafting plans to cover Stony Brook, which runs from the Hyde Park-West Roxbury line for a distance of two miles to West street, Hyde Park.

Referred to the Committee on Public Services and Recreation.

PAYMENT TO JAMES F. DREY.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:

Resolved, That the City Council of Boston favors the consideration by the Legislature of the petition now held under Joint Rule 7B authorizing the payment of a sum of money to James F. Drey for services rendered said city, provided that any such legislation enacted includes a referendum to the Mayor and City Council.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

INSTALLATION OF ELECTRIC LIGHT ON BERKELEY STREET.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:

Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to have an electric light installed on Berkeley street,

Boston, between Police Headquarters and the American Mutual Insurance Company building. Referred to the Executive Committee.

RECESS.

On motion of Councillor Foley the Council voted at 2.34 p.m., to take a recess subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled and were called to order by President PIEMONTE at 4.44 P.M.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

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

1. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred February 25) for sale of portion of Franklin Field to Boston Housing Authority—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the order was given its second reading and passage, yeas 8, nays 0:

Yeas—Councillors Ahearn, Foley, Hailer, Hurley, Joyce, Kerrigan, Ward, White—8.

Nays—0.

Voting Present—Councillor Piemonte—1.

2. Report on message of Mayor (referred February 25) requesting action on order re sale of portion of Franklin Field to Boston Housing Authority—that same be placed on file.

The report was accepted and the message was placed on file.

3. Report on resolution (referred today) favoring consideration by Legislature of petition authorizing payment of money to James F. Drey—recommending adoption of the resolution.

The report was accepted, and the resolution was adopted.

4. Report on message of Mayor and communication (referred today) concerning naming intersection of Dorchester avenue and East Cottage street, Dorchester, in honor of John J. Joyce—recommending same be placed on file.

The report was accepted and the message and communication were placed on file.

5. Report on message of Mayor and communication (referred today) concerning laying out of Glendale terrace, Ward 22, as a public way—recommending same be placed on file.

The report was accepted and the message and communication were placed on file.

APPOINTMENT OF MINOR OFFICERS PAID BY FEES.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 24, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

Subject to confirmation by your Honorable Body, I hereby make the following appointments of minor officers paid by fees for the term of one year, beginning with the first day of May, 1952.

The appointments of all such officers not named herein are hereby revoked from and after April 30, 1952.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

(Annexed was a list as contained in City Document No. 40—1952.)

Referred to Committee on Confirmations.

CONSTABLES AUTHORIZED TO SERVE CIVIL PROCESS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 24, 1952.
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, 1952, authorized to serve civil process upon filing of bond.

The commissions of all constables authorized to serve civil process not named herein expire on April 30, 1952, and such constables are hereby removed from office from and after May 1, 1952, for the good of the service.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Constables authorized to serve civil process upon filing bonds:

Samuel J. Adelman, 36 Regent street, Ward 12; Henry Atwood, 16 National street, Ward 7; George A. Baird, Jr., 23 Waterford street, Ward 3; Samuel C. Baker, 101 Wellington Hill street, Ward 14; Morton L. Bardfield, 4 Brinsley street, Ward 14; Irving E. Bennett, 20 Deckard street, Ward 12; Alfred Blaustein, 23 Fernboro street, Ward 14; Abram Bornstein, 625 Warren street, Ward 12; Howard P. Camden, 35 Range road, Ward 17; James A. Canton, 169 Glenway street, Ward 14; Sidney Cohen, 70 American Legion Highway, Ward 14; John D. Cole, 14 West Cottage street, Ward 13; Leo P. Conlan, 30 Fidelis Way, Ward 21; John M. Crawford, 27 Washington street, Ward 2; William T. Culpin, 54 Edison Green, Ward 13; John A. D'Arcy, 51 Colchester street, Ward 18; Edward A. DeSimone, 60 Bayswater street, Ward 1; James E. Desmond, 7 Mapleton street, Ward 22; William J. DuRoss, 462 Gallivan Boulevard, Ward 16; Gaetano D. Finamore, 191 Marion street, Ward 1; Harry Freedman, 129 Columbia road, Ward 14; Harry Freedman, 180 Seaver street, Ward 12; James J. Gannon, 45 Compton street, Ward 5; Robert B. Goldberg, 63 Washington street, Ward 14; Roland W. Golden, 38 Regent street, Ward 12; Abner Goldkrand, 48 Wenonah street, Ward 12; Meyer Goldstein, 27 Long avenue, Ward 21; Louis E. Grace, 97 Wellington Hill street, Ward 14; Salvatore Grassa, 11 Copeland street, Ward 12; Edward C. Gurnon, 24 Bellflower street, Ward 7; John W. Herbert, 726 Saratoga street, Ward 1; James A. Hickey, 59 Parsons street, Ward 22; Edward I. Hoffman, 8 Stanwood street, Ward 14; Samuel Kofman, 50 Bradshaw street, Ward 14; Bronis Kontrim, 120 Marine road, Ward 7; Mark H. Krafusur, 447 Norfolk street, Ward 14; Nathan Kravitsky, 306 Washington street, Ward 14; John F. Lally, 97 Waldeck street, Ward 17; Carmen J. Lauria, 31 Appleton street, Ward 5; Charles I. Lesser, 120 Corey road, Ward 21; Louis Levendorf, 421 Warren street, Ward 12; Louis Levin, 40 Lawrence avenue, Ward 14; Maurice Levine, 40 Wolcott street, Ward 14; Melvin H. Ligums, 27 Abbot street, Ward 14; Paula M. Ligums, 27 Abbot street, Ward 14; Alfred Lubin, 60 The Fenway, Ward 4; Anthony Luongo, 855 Saratoga street, Ward 1; William H. Lynch, 236 Kittredge street, Ward 18; Frank J. Macchia, 770 East Fourth street, Ward 7; Salvatore Maffei, 11 Orient avenue, Ward 1; Andrew Martin, 22 Fayston street, Ward 13; James F. Martin, 120 Corey road, Ward 21; Joseph W. McCleary, 307 West street, Ward 18; John A. McGillivray, 24 Uperest road, Ward 22; Francis J. Melville, Jr., 10 Auburn street, Ward 2; Frank A. Mitchell, 7 Bruce street, Ward 16; Louis H. Oppenheim, 7 Mt. Hood road, Ward 21; Andrew J. Palermo, 18 Bloomfield street, Ward 17; Phillip S. Phillips, 829 Blue Hill avenue, Ward 14; George N. Pierce, 15 Atherton street, Ward 11; 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, 41 Intervale street, Ward 14; Jacob E. Schrank, 735 Veterans Foreign Wars Parkway, Ward 20; Joseph P. Schrank, 735 Veterans Foreign Wars Parkway, Ward 20; Samuel Schwartz, 7 Havelock street, Ward 14; Francis C. Shack, 22 Delle avenue, Ward 10; Frank Shaw, 12 Codman street, Ward 17; Edward W. Sheehan, 26 Burgoyne street, Ward 16; Sidney Sheinfeld, 166 Rosseter street, Ward 14; Isaac Shulman, 128 Devon street, Ward 14; Joseph Simansky, 77 Nightingale street, Ward 14; Henry J. D. Small, 14 Windermere road, Ward 13; Leon Small, 98 Hemenway street, Ward 4; Clifford L. Smith, 11 Euclid street, Ward 17; Harry Smith, 526 Massachusetts avenue, Ward 9; Solomon Spack, 16 Georgia street, Ward 12; Frank Spano, 31 Sargent street, Ward 13; Eli Sternberg, 598 Harvard street, Ward 14; Frederick Sturn, 139 Wellington Hill street, Ward 14;

Jerome Suvallé, 19 Owen street, Ward 18; Benjamin J. Tackeff, 52 Columbia road, Ward 14; William Tatel, 172 Seaver street, Ward 12; William Tepper, 4 Intervale street, Ward 12; Joseph Todisco, 189 Paris street, Ward 1; Rudolph L. Trent, 30 Sarsfield street, Ward 9; Roman J. Vasil, 11 Granada avenue, Ward 18; Sidney Williams, 37 Winthrop street, Ward 12; Louis Yacker, 1063 Blue Hill avenue, Ward 14; Morris Youman, 5 Pama Gardens, Ward 22; Robert C. Younken, 8 Sherwood court, Ward 8; Francis S. Zarthar, 40 West Newton street, Ward 9.

Referred to the Committee on Confirmations.

CONFERENCE WITH WHITE FUND TRUSTEES RE SCHOOL FOR SUB-NORMAL CHILDREN.

Coun. WARD offered the following:

Ordered, That the Trustees of the George Robert White Fund be requested, by his Honor

the Mayor, to extend to all the members of the City Council an invitation to appear at the next meeting of the Trustees of the George Robert White Fund relative to the erection of a special school for subnormal children out of the said White Fund income.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

Adjourned at 4.50 P.M., on motion of Councillor White, to meet on Monday, March 31, 1952, 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 24, 1952.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President PIEMONTE in the chair and all the members present.

The Rev. Timothy F. O'Leary, of the Catholic Cathedral of the Holy Cross, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY REV. TIMOTHY F. O'LEARY.

Almighty and Eternal God, graciously grant that as Thy Divine Son became Man in order to become "like unto us in all things except sin," so now may He come again to bring justice and charity into our imperfect minds and hearts.

We pray that we may lift up our minds and hearts to Thee, the One true Remedy for the anxieties and distractions which come from the pursuit of selfish and material goals.

We pray that we shall always submit to Thy Holy Will as made known to us through Thy Holy Spirit. May we thus learn where there is wisdom, where there is strength, where there is understanding, where there is length of days and life, and where there is the light of the eyes and peace.

May the unselfish love of God and of our neighbor be manifest in each of us. May this divinely inspired love be the mark by which true leaders of government will be recognized at home in our beloved city and abroad. May this love be, as God wills it to be, the conqueror of hatred and strife, the bond of unity among all our citizens, and the sure guaranty of peace among us all. These petitions we humbly ask in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, Amen.

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, with authority to serve civil process upon the filing of bond, for term ending April 30, 1952: Robert Barrah Goldberg, 63 Washington street, Dorchester.

Weigher of Goods, for term ending April 30, 1952: Samuel Weitzman, 652 Washington street, Brookline; Arthur Green, 39 Crehare Drive, Newton Lower Falls.

Weighers of Goods and Gaugers of Liquids, for term ending April 30, 1952: Frank M. Keenan, 21 Ruggles place, Dorchester; Warren Taylor, 59 Taylor street, Malden.

Severally referred to the Committee on Confirmations.

ACCEPTANCE OF GLENDALE TERRACE, WARD 22.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, March 21, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Board of Street Commissioners relative to your order of February 25, 1952, concerning the laying out of Glendale terrace, Ward 22, as a public way.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Street Laying-Out Department,
March 3, 1952.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the following Council order dated February 25, 1952:

"Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through His Honor the Mayor, to accept and lay out Glendale terrace, Ward 22, as a public way."

This street is included in our current program for 1952.

We expect to advertise a public hearing within the next few months on the laying out and acceptance as a public way.

Very truly yours,

L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

NAMING OF INTERSECTION IN HONOR OF JOHN J. JOYCE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, March 21, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Board of Street Commissioners relative to your order of March 3, 1952, concerning the intersection of Dorchester avenue and East Cottage street, Dorchester, being renamed in honor of Pfc. John J. Joyce, who was killed in action in Italy in 1944.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,

Street Laying-Out Department,

March 6, 1952.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I have your communication of March 5, addressed to the Committee to Memorialize Veterans, enclosing City Council order introduced by Councillor Hailer requesting that the intersection of Dorchester avenue and East Cottage street be designated in honor of Pfc. John J. Joyce, U. S. Infantry, 34th Division, who was killed in action in Italy, 1944.

I beg to advise that the next meeting of the Committee to Memorialize Veterans is scheduled for the middle of April, at which time this request will be given every consideration.

Very truly yours,

L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

SPECIAL SCHOOL FOR SUBNORMAL CHILDREN.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, March 20, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the manager of the George Robert White Fund relative to your order of March 3, 1952, requesting the consideration of the advisability of erecting a special school for subnormal children.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,

George Robert White Fund,

March 18, 1952.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I have your communication of March 5, 1952, in regard to City Council order of March 3, 1952, requesting consideration of the advisability of erecting a special school for subnormal children.

Quote from the will of George Robert White "No part of said income shall be used for a religious, political, educational or any purpose which it shall be the duty of the City in the ordinary course

of events to provide." It would seem that this project is both "educational" and the "duty of the City to provide."

Very truly yours,

JAMES J. MCCARTHY.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

**NOTIFICATION TO POLICE CAPTAINS RE
EARLY DISMISSAL OF SCHOOL
CHILDREN.**

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, March 20, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith copy of report received from the office of the Police Commissioner with regard to your order of March 10, 1952, requesting that the Police Commissioner confer with the Superintendent of Public Schools and the Director of Parochial Schools in the City of Boston in order to make it mandatory that the principals of Schools notify the police captain of the division where the school is located when school is being dismissed outside of regular school hours so that an officer can be placed at the crossroads to supervise the control of the crossings.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,

Police Department, March 15, 1952.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

Returned herewith is City Council order of March 10, 1952, reading as follows:

"That the Police Commissioner he requested to confer with the Superintendent of Public Schools and the Director of Parochial Schools in the City of Boston for a discussion to make it mandatory that the principals of schools notify the police captain of the division where the school is located when school is being dismissed outside of the regular school hours so that an officer can be placed at the crossroads to supervise the control of the crossings."

I shall be very happy to confer with the Superintendent of Schools and the Director of Parochial Schools relative to providing traffic supervision, insofar as it is possible, when schools are dismissed at times other than the regular hours.

Very truly yours,

THOMAS P. SULLIVAN,
Police Commissioner.

Placed on file.

**BOARD FENCE FROM CASTLE ISLAND
TO FARRAGUT ROAD.**

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, March 21, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Director of the Port of Boston Authority relative to your order of February 18, 1952, concerning the request for the construction of a solid board fence of attractive design, from Castle Island to Farragut road, in South Boston, along the William J. Day Boulevard, to replace the present chain-link fence which separates the Castle Island Terminal from Marine Park.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts,

Port of Boston Authority,

February 27, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes,

Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

We have your memorandum dated February 19, 1952, transmitting a copy of an order passed by the City Council, City of Boston, requesting the Port of Boston Authority to construct a solid board fence of attractive design, from Castle Island to Farragut road, in South Boston, along the William J. Day Boulevard, to replace the present chain-link fence which separates the Castle Island Terminal from Marine Park.

We have given the request considerable study, and find that the erection of a board fence to replace the present chain-link fence would not be desirable or practical. The cost of a board fence of attractive design would be very great, and its maintenance would be extremely high. If the board fence were not maintained in the highest order, its appearance would be much more unsightly than that of the present chain-link fence. A wooden fence would also be a definite fire hazard. For the security of the terminal we find that a chain-link fence is far more adequate.

It is our suggestion that if the city desires to improve the appearance of the William J. Day Boulevard, shrubbery and small trees be planted.

We regret that we cannot comply with your request, and hope that you will understand the position of the Authority from the functional and economic aspects.

Very truly yours,

PORT OF BOSTON AUTHORITY,

by JOHN M. BRESNAHAN, Director.

Placed on file.

**LOAN FOR CONSTRUCTION OF
PUBLIC WAYS.**

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, March 21, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of a communication from the Commissioner of Public Works in which he requests that a loan in the amount of \$2,000,000 be approved for "Public Ways, Construction of."

At the present time the unencumbered balance in this account is \$220,000, which will all be spent within the next few weeks because of reconstruction of Washington and Cambridge streets, in Brighton, and Spring street, in West Roxbury. In addition to these main highways, it is expected that seven other main highways will be commenced promptly by the State Department of Public Works. As you know these highways, constructed by the state, under chapter 90 of the General Laws, are paid 50 per cent by the state government and 50 per cent by the city government.

In order that there will be no delay in the very necessary construction of these roads, and in the construction of other streets hadly in need of repair, I strongly urge that your Honorable Body give this loan order prompt attention and action.

It is extremely important that moneys be available early in the year in order that the program contemplated for the year may be completed. Therefore, I trust that your Honorable Body will give prompt passage to the accompanying order.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,

Public Works Department,

March 21, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes,

Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

At the present time, there is an unencumbered balance of approximately \$220,000 in the "Public Ways, Construction of" account for highway construction and reconstruction work during the current year.

It is our intention, once again, to undertake one of the largest Chapter 90 state-aid projects in the history of the city. With the cooperation of the State Department of Public Works we have made big strides in the past two years in reconstructing many of the main highways in this city, at a substantially reduced cost to the real estate owners, due to the fact that the State Department of Public Works has paid for half the cost of the work, under the provisions of section 34 of chapter 90 of the General Laws. In view of the obvious financial advantages of the Chapter 90 program, it is unquestionably in the best interests of the city to provide the necessary matching money at as early a date as possible, in order to insure the completion of the proposed program before the end of the current year.

About two weeks ago, bids were opened in the office of the State Department of Public Works, for the reconstruction of Washington street and Cambridge street, in Brighton, from Union square

to Oak square, a distance of approximately 8,900 feet. The low bid is in the amount of \$183,000, and, therefore, with the encumbrance of this contract, the unencumbered balance of the "Public Ways, Construction of" account will approximate \$37,000.

Bids are to be opened on Tuesday, April 1, at the State Department of Public Works, for the reconstruction of Spring street, West Roxbury, as a Chapter 90 project, and it is the intention of the State Department to open bids on April 12 for the reconstruction of Bennington street, East Boston, from Day square to Walley street.

The latter two-referenced projects will total approximately \$400,000, and it is most important, therefore, that steps be taken to provide for the passage, by the City Council, of a new loan order to provide sufficient money, not only to encumber the latter two-referenced Chapter 90 projects, but also to encumber the other Chapter 90 projects that will be undertaken this year, in addition to our normal street construction program to be carried out in residential areas and on so-called secondary streets.

The tentative Chapter 90 program, which calls for the reconstruction of approximately seven miles of main highways in various sections of the city, is as follows:

Washington street, Brighton, from Cambridge street to Oak square, approximately 5,100 feet.

Cambridge street, Brighton, from Union square to Washington street, approximately 3,800 feet.

Alford street, Charlestown, from Mystic River to the Everett line, approximately 2,100 feet.

Spring street, West Roxbury, from Centre street to Veterans of Foreign Wars Parkway, approximately 3,690 feet.

South Huntington avenue, Roxbury, from Huntington avenue to Centre street, approximately 4,600 feet.

Allandale street, West Roxbury, from Centre street to the Brookline line, approximately 3,500 feet.

Bennington street, East Boston, from Day square to Walley street, approximately 7,500 feet.

Cambridge street, City Proper, from the Charles Street Traffic Circle to and including Scollay square, approximately 3,200 feet.

Washington street, Roslindale, from Cummins Highway to West Roxbury Parkway, approximately 5,400 feet.

Grand total length, 38,890 feet or seven miles.

As stated, in addition to the above-referenced Chapter 90 projects, it is most essential that we carry out our normal street construction and reconstruction program that is to be paid entirely out of city funds. I feel that we shall need at least \$2,000,000 in addition to our present unencumbered balance to provide sufficient funds to effect the Chapter 90 program and our regular street improvement work.

I respectfully recommend, therefore, that the attached loan order, which provides for the issuance of so-called "Public Ways, Construction of" bonds in the amount of \$2,000,000, be submitted to the City Council for the approval of that Body.

Respectfully yours,

GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Ordered, That under the provisions of clause 5 of section 7 of chapter 44 of the General Laws, the sum of two million dollars (\$2,000,000) 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 Appropriations and Finance.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

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

Claims.

Aetna Casualty and Surety Company, to be paid for medical expenses of Robert E. Stevens, employee of Whiting Milk Company, who was injured because of an alleged defect at 39 Fort avenue, Roxbury.

Samuel J. Allen, for compensation for damage to property at 12 Anson street, Jamaica Plain, caused by break in water main.

Ashmont Auto School, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Bay State Smelting Company, Inc., for compensation for damage to truck by city truck.

Anna A. Bohn, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Alice Branagan, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 98 Queensberry street.

Phyllis Bryant, for son Paul R., for compensation for injuries caused by city truck.

William R. Burke, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Matthew Campanella, for compensation for damage to property at 12 Anson street, Jamaica Plain, caused by break in water main.

Joseph Cappucci, for compensation for damage to property and injuries caused by snowplow.

Mary J. Carey, for compensation for damage to property at 8 Spaulding street, Jamaica Plain, caused by break in water main.

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

Joseph and Charles Fagone, for compensation for damage to property by falling branch.

Thomas J. Flynn, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Madeleine E. Gavin, for compensation for collapse of water boiler at 47 Johnswood road, Roslindale, caused by water being shut off.

Amlito Giordano, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect in Causeway street.

William Goldstein, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at Faneuil Hall Market stairway.

Ralph Greenberg, for compensation for injuries caused by falling street sign at Washington and Boylston streets.

Grace Hartford, for compensation for collapse of water boiler at 29 Wachusett street, caused by break in water main.

John Higgins, for compensation for damage to property at 198 South street, Jamaica Plain, caused by broken water main.

Paul G. Hoban, for compensation for damage to property at 12 Anson street, Jamaica Plain, caused by break in water main.

Mary Hogarty, for compensation for damage to property at 200 South street, Jamaica Plain, caused by break in water main.

Anne M. Jurusz, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

William J. Kearney, for compensation for damage to car by car of Health Department.

Dennis F. Kenney, for compensation for damage to property at 198 South street, Jamaica Plain, caused by break in water main.

Francis J. King, for compensation for damage to property at 828 Centre street, Jamaica Plain, caused by city truck.

William F. LaCoste, for compensation for collapse of water boiler at 101 Fletcher street, Roslindale, caused by break in water main.

Joseph S. Locke, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Public Works Department, Automotive Division.

Patrick F. McCuc, for compensation for damage to property at 22 Spaulding street, Jamaica Plain, caused by break in water main.

Mary C. McGloin, for compensation for damage to property at 19 Spaulding street, Jamaica Plain, caused by break in water main.

James E. McNabb, for compensation for damage to property at 52 Bradford avenue, Roslindale, caused by break in water pipe.

William J. Mee, for compensation for damage to property at 8 Spaulding street, Jamaica Plain, caused by break in water main.

Dr. J. P. Montague, for compensation for damage to car by snowplow.

Mrs. Matthew J. Mordas, for compensation for damage to clothing by street washing truck.

Ellis J. Morton, for compensation for damage to car by snowplow.

Robert L. Peel, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Joseph W. Rahall, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Public Works Department, Highway Division.

Stanley W. Shumilla, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Francis Silvia, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

B. Sorota, trustee, to be reimbursed for expenses in repairing leak in water pipe at 74 Ashton street, Dorchester.

Malcolm Spring, for compensation for damage to car by snowplow of Park Department.

John P. Sullivan, for compensation for damage to property at 46 Woodbrier road, West Roxbury, caused by overflow of water.

Mary J. Sweeney, for compensation for loss of dentures while patient at City Hospital.

John Van Tassel, for compensation for damage to car by sanding truck.

James F. Travers, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Kirke W. Walker, for compensation for collapse of water boiler at 100 Neponset avenue, Hyde Park, caused by water being shut off.

Paul W. Whitty, for compensation for damage to property at 59 Tacoma street, caused during sidewalk construction.

John Wren, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Public Works Department, Bridge and Highway Division.

Bernard F. Crowley, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

John J. Dahill, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Public Works Department, Highway Division.

John J. McGrath, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Board of Foreclosed Real Estate Division.

John M. Perry, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him on account of his acts as employee of Public Works Department, Bridge and Ferry Division.

Mary A. Sirignano, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 15 and 16 Charter street.

Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Boston American League Baseball Company for Sunday sports at Fenway Park, from March 15, 1952, to March 15, 1953.

Petition of National League Baseball Club of Boston, Inc., for Sunday sports at Braves Field, from March 15, 1952, to March 15, 1953.

Petition of Eastern Massachusetts Street Railway Company for license to operate motor vehicles on Blackstone, North, Cross, and Hanover streets.

PETITIONS FOR ANNUITIES.

Petition of Mary F. Wallace, to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, Joseph F. Wallace, late member of the Fire Department.

Petition of Mary G. Dunbar, to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, John J. Dunbar, late member of Fire Department.

Severally referred to the Committee on Claims.

PERMITS FOR CHILDREN.

Petitions for children under 15 years of age to appear at places of public amusement were received as follows:

Mary Campbell, Jordan Hall, June 9.

Boston Children's Theatre, New England Mutual Hall, April 5, 19.

Boston Acordion Center, Recital Hall, May 25.

Permits granted under usual conditions.

NOTICE FROM DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held on April 2, at 10.15 a.m., on petition of New England Road Builders Association amending minimum hourly rates for vehicles.

Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

APPROVAL OF CONSTABLE'S BOND.

The constable's bond of Louis Levin, having been duly approved by the City Treasurer, was received and approved.

COMMENDATION OF MAYOR HYNES RE EASTER GIFTS TO MEMBERS OF ARMED FORCES.

Coun. WHITE offered the following:

Resolved, That Mayor John B. Hynes be publicly commended by the Boston City Council for giving leadership to the project sponsored by the Christmas Festival Committee which is currently engaged in providing all of the more than 2,000 Boston men and women on foreign duty with the armed forces at Korea, Europe, and Japan with boxes of Easter candy in the name of the "Grateful People of Boston," and that the people of Boston be urged to give the project their generous financial support.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

COMMENDATION OF MAYOR AND BOSTON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE RE CLEAN-UP CAMPAIGN.

Coun. WHITE offered the following:

Resolved, That Mayor John B. Hynes and the Boston Chamber of Commerce be publicly commended by the Boston City Council for sponsoring the current Boston Clean-Up, Paint-Up, Fix-Up Campaign which has for its purpose the promotion of "Better Living in the City of Boston," and that all home owners, tenants, and business property owners be urged to give the campaign their full cooperation.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

COVERING OF STONY BROOK.

Coun. HAILER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to confer with the Commissioner of Public Works for the purpose of drafting plans to cover Stony Brook, which runs from the Hyde Park-West Roxbury line for a distance of two miles to West street, Hyde Park.

Referred to the Committee on Public Services and Recreation.

PAYMENT TO JAMES F. DREY.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:

Resolved, That the City Council of Boston favors the consideration by the Legislature of the petition now held under Joint Rule 7B authorizing the payment of a sum of money to James F. Drey for services rendered said city, provided that any such legislation enacted includes a referendum to the Mayor and City Council.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

INSTALLATION OF ELECTRIC LIGHT ON BERKELEY STREET.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:

Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to have an electric light installed on Berkeley street,

Boston, between Police Headquarters and the American Mutual Insurance Company building. Referred to the Executive Committee.

RECESS.

On motion of Councillor Foley the Council voted at 2.34 P.M., to take a recess subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled and were called to order by President PIEMONTE at 4.44 P.M.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

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

1. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred February 25) for sale of portion of Franklin Field to Boston Housing Authority—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the order was given its second reading and passage, yeas 8, nays 0:

Yeas—Councillors Ahearn, Foley, Hailer, Hurley, Joyce, Kerrigan, Ward, White—8.

Nays—0.

Voting Present—Councillor Picmonte—1.

2. Report on message of Mayor (referred February 25) requesting action on order re sale of portion of Franklin Field to Boston Housing Authority—that same be placed on file.

The report was accepted and the message was placed on file.

3. Report on resolution (referred today) favoring consideration by Legislature of petition authorizing payment of money to James F. Drey—recommending adoption of the resolution. The report was accepted, and the resolution was adopted.

4. Report on message of Mayor and communication (referred today) concerning naming intersection of Dorchester avenue and East Cottage street, Dorchester, in honor of John J. Joyce—recommending same be placed on file.

The report was accepted and the message and communication were placed on file.

5. Report on message of Mayor and communication (referred today) concerning laying out of Glendale terrace, Ward 22, as a public way—recommending same be placed on file.

The report was accepted and the message and communication were placed on file.

APPOINTMENT OF MINOR OFFICERS PAID BY FEES.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 24, 1952.

To the City Council,

Gentlemen:

Subject to confirmation by your Honorable Body, I hereby make the following appointments of minor officers paid by fees for the term of one year, beginning with the first day of May, 1952.

The appointments of all such officers not named herein are hereby revoked from and after April 30, 1952.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

(Annexed was a list as contained in City Document No. 40—1952.)

Referred to Committee on Confirmations.

CONSTABLES AUTHORIZED TO SERVE CIVIL PROCESS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 24, 1952.

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, 1952, authorized to serve civil process upon filing of bond.

The commissions of all constables authorized to serve civil process not named herein expire on April 30, 1952, and such constables are hereby removed from office from and after May 1, 1952, for the good of the service.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Constables authorized to serve civil process upon filing bonds:

Samuel J. Adelman, 36 Regent street, Ward 12; Henry Atwood, 16 National street, Ward 7; George A. Baird, Jr., 23 Waterford street, Ward 3; Samuel C. Baker, 101 Wellington Hill street, Ward 14; Morton L. Bardfield, 4 Brinsley street, Ward 14; Irving E. Bennett, 20 Deckard street, Ward 12; Alfred Blaustein, 23 Fernboro street, Ward 14; Abram Bornstein, 625 Warren street, Ward 12; Howard P. Camon, 35 Range road, Ward 17; James A. Canton, 169 Glenway street, Ward 14; Sidney Cohen, 70 American Legion Highway, Ward 14; John D. Colc, 14 West Cottage street, Ward 13; Leo P. Conlan, 37 Fidelis Way, Ward 21; John M. Crawford, 27 Washington street, Ward 2; William T. Culpin, 54 Edison Green, Ward 13; John A. D'Arcy, 51 Colchester street, Ward 18; Edward A. DeSimone, 60 Bayswater street, Ward 1; James E. Desmond, 7 Mapleton street, Ward 22; William J. DuRoss, 462 Gallivan Boulevard, Ward 16; Gaetano D. Finamore, 191 Marion street, Ward 1; Harry Freedman, 129 Columbia road, Ward 14; Harry Freedman, 180 Seaver street, Ward 12; James J. Gannon, 45 Compton street, Ward 5; Robert B. Goldberg, 63 Washington street, Ward 14; Roland W. Golden, 38 Regent street, Ward 12; Abner Goldkrand, 49 Wemona street, Ward 12; Meyer Goldstein, 27 Long avenue, Ward 21; Louis E. Grace, 97 Wellington Hill street, Ward 14; Salvatore Grassa, 11 Copeland street, Ward 12; Edward C. Gurnon, 24 Bellflower street, Ward 7; John W. Herbert, 726 Saratoga street, Ward 1; James A. Hickey, 59 Parsons street, Ward 22; Edward I. Hoffman, 8 Stanwood street, Ward 14; Samuel Kofman, 50 Bradshaw street, Ward 14; Bronis Kontrim, 120 Marine road, Ward 7; Mark H. Krasur, 447 Norfolk street, Ward 14; Nathan Kravitsky, 306 Washington street, Ward 14; John F. Lally, 97 Waldeck street, Ward 17; Carmen J. Lauria, 31 Appleton street, Ward 5; Charles I. Lesser, 120 Corey road, Ward 21; Louis Levendorf, 421 Warren street, Ward 12; Louis Levin, 40 Lawrence avenue, Ward 14; Maurice Levine, 40 Wolcott street, Ward 14; Melvin H. Ligums, 27 Abbot street, Ward 14; Paula M. Ligums, 27 Abbot street, Ward 14; Alfred Lubin, 60 The Fenway, Ward 4; Anthony Luongo, 855 Saratoga street, Ward 1; William H. Lynch, 236 Kittredge street, Ward 18; Frank J. Macchia, 770 East Fourth street, Ward 7; Salvatore Maffei, 11 Orient avenue, Ward 1; Andrew Martin, 22 Fayston street, Ward 13; James F. Martin, 120 Corey road, Ward 21; Joseph W. McCleary, 307 West street, Ward 18; John A. McGilivray, 24 Upcott road, Ward 22; Francis J. Melville, Jr., 10 Auburn street, Ward 2; Frank A. Mitchell, 7 Bruce street, Ward 16; Louis H. Oppenheim, 7 Mt. Hood road, Ward 21; Andrew J. Palermo, 18 Bloomfield street, Ward 17; Phillip S. Phillips, 829 Blue Hill avenue, Ward 14; George N. Pierce, 15 Atherton street, Ward 11; Louis Richmond, 111 Waumbec street, Ward 12; Frank A. Roche, 20 Lexington street, Ward 1; Edward J. Rockett, 15 Worcester square, Ward 8; William T. Ross, 41 Intervale street, Ward 14; Jacob E. Schrank, 735 Veterans Foreign Wars Parkway, Ward 20; Joseph P. Schrank, 735 Veterans Foreign Wars Parkway, Ward 20; Samuel Schwartz, 7 Havelock street, Ward 14; Francis C. Shack, 22 Delle avenue, Ward 10; Frank Shaw, 12 Codman street, Ward 17; Edward W. Sheehan, 26 Burgoyne street, Ward 16; Sidney Sheinfeld, 166 Rosseter street, Ward 14; Isaac Shulman, 128 Devon street, Ward 14; Joseph Simansky, 77 Nightingale street, Ward 14; Henry J. D. Small, 14 Windcrnere road, Ward 13; Leon Small, 98 Hemenway street, Ward 4; Clifford L. Smith, 11 Euclid street, Ward 17; Harry Smith, 526 Massachusetts avenue, Ward 9; Solomon Spack, 16 Georgia street, Ward 12; Frank Spano, 31 Sargent street, Ward 13; Eli Sternberg, 598 Harvard street, Ward 14; Frederick Sturn, 139 Wellington Hill street, Ward 14;

Jerome Suvale, 19 Owen street, Ward 18; Benjamin J. Tackeff, 52 Columbia road, Ward 14; William Tatel, 172 Seaver street, Ward 12; William Tepper, 4 Intervale street, Ward 12; Joseph Todisco, 189 Paris street, Ward 1; Rudolph L. Trent, 30 Sarsfield street, Ward 9; Roman J. Vasil, 11 Granada avenue, Ward 18; Sidney Williams, 37 Winthrop street, Ward 12; Louis Yacker, 1063 Blue Hill avenue, Ward 14; Morris Youman, 5 Pama Gardens, Ward 22; Robert C. Younken, 8 Sherwood court, Ward 8; Francis S. Zarthar, 40 West Newton street, Ward 9.

Referred to the Committee on Confirmations.

CONFERENCE WITH WHITE FUND
TRUSTEES RE SCHOOL FOR SUB-
NORMAL CHILDREN.

Coun. WARD offered the following:

Ordered, That the Trustees of the George Robert White Fund be requested, by his Honor

the Mayor, to extend to all the members of the City Council an invitation to appear at the next meeting of the Trustees of the George Robert White Fund relative to the erection of a special school for subnormal children out of the said White Fund income.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

Adjourned at 4.50 P.M., on motion of Councillor White, to meet on Monday, March 31, 1952, 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 31, 1952.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President PIEMONTE in the chair and all the members present.

Rev. William J. Kenealy, S.J., Dean of the Boston College Law School, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION

BY REV. WILLIAM J. KENEALY, S.J.

Almighty and Eternal God, Who art in the words of the great constitution of the Commonwealth, the Eternal Lawgiver of the universe, and Who art in our own minds the Creator of our people and ultimate source of their human rights and civil liberties, we lift our minds and our hearts to Thee in praise, in reverence and in thanksgiving for Thy great bounty which Thou hast bestowed on free people in a land of freedom and opportunity. Look down upon us in Thy mercy and kindness, we beseech Thee. Give strength to our weakness, and give wisdom to our foolishness. Enable us to carry out the great responsibility and the confidence which has been reposed in us by the people of this great City of Boston. Give to our hearts sympathy and understanding of the burdens that lie upon the shoulders of these people. Give to our minds wisdom and sharpness that in the welter of argument and debate, we may choose with accuracy and discriminate the wise from the unwise policy, the good from the evil ordinance, the just cause from the selfish interest. Give to our will the probity and courage to make decisions which the sympathetic heart and enlightened mind points out are within the scheme of Thy divine providence, that the deliberations and decisions of this Council may assist our people to live the lives of full and complete liberty, and assist them and their families and their children to attain human dignity and the divine destiny Thou hast ordained for them. Amen.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

APPROPRIATION FOR CONSTRUCTION OF BRIDGES.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 31, 1952.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

In the budget of the Bridge Service of the Public Works Department for 1951, an appropriation was provided in accordance with the provisions of section 7 of chapter 44 of the General Laws to serve as the "down payment" on a contemplated loan for bridge construction. Subsequently it was decided to postpone the issuance of such a loan with the result that no charges were made against the budget appropriation, and the balance remaining in this special account was, in closing the accounts for 1951, carried forward into the new year.

I am advised by the Commissioner of Public Works that a loan will be required for bridge construction this year. Under the provisions of section 7 of chapter 44 of the General Laws, the "down payment," required as a condition precedent before the authorization of any loan within the debt limit, must be provided "in the year when the loan is authorized." In order to comply with this requirement, I submit herewith an order providing for the appropriation of the revenue balance remaining in the special account established in last year's budget as a "down payment" to support the issuance of a loan in 1952 for bridge construction. I respectfully recommend adoption of this order.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor,

Ordered, That the sum of \$161,236.59, representing the revenue balance remaining in the special account "Bridges, Construction of," be, and hereby is, appropriated in accordance with the provisions of section 7 of chapter 44 of the General Laws for Bridges, Construction of (Revenue — 1952).

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Finance.

SALE OF LAND ON BLOSSOM STREET TO MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL HOSPITAL.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, March 24, 1952.
To the Honorable City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith a communication from Gerald F. Scally, Chairman of the Board of Street Commissioners, recommending the sale of approximately 31 square feet of land on Blossom street to the Massachusetts General Hospital.

Since this land is not required for any municipal purpose, and since its acquisition by the Massachusetts General Hospital will be of some assistance to the trustees in going forward with their building program, I submit herewith an order whereby the City of Boston may sell 31 square feet of land on Blossom street to the Massachusetts General Hospital for the sum of \$155, and recommend the speedy adoption of the order.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Board of Street Commissioners,
March 24, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
and the Hon. City Council.
Dear Mr. Mayor and Gentlemen:

On March 21, 1952, the Board of Street Commissioners passed an order for the alteration of Blossom street, Boston Proper, in front of the premises occupied by the Massachusetts General Hospital.

The purpose of the alteration was to straighten Blossom street by eliminating a 5-foot jog in its westerly line. The establishment of a new westerly line leaves an area of approximately 31 square feet of land lying between Blossom street, as altered, and land of the Massachusetts General Hospital. The trustees of the hospital have offered to purchase this area from the City of Boston for the sum of \$155, which this Board feels is a fair price.

The trustees are constructing a new building at this location and the acquisition of this area will permit them to build in conformance with the new street line.

Since the area proposed to be sold is too small to be used for any public purpose, this Board recommends that the area be sold to the Massachusetts General Hospital for the sum of \$155.

Very truly yours,
BOARD OF STREET COMMISSIONERS,
by GERALD F. SCALLY, Chairman.

Whereas, By an order of the Board of Street Commissioners of the City of Boston, passed March 21, 1952, approximately 31 square feet of land, being a portion of Blossom street, a public highway in the City of Boston, was discontinued; and

Whereas, The City of Boston is the owner in fee of said 31 square feet of land as discontinued; and
Whereas, The said parcel of land is no longer required for public purposes; and

Whereas, The Massachusetts General Hospital is the owner of land abutting Blossom street and desires to acquire title to said parcel of 31 square feet of land; now, therefore, it is hereby

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor of the City of Boston be, and he hereby is, authorized to sell at private sale, to the Massachusetts General Hospital, a public charitable corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, for the sum of one hundred fifty-five dollars (\$155), and to execute and deliver to the said Massachusetts General Hospital an instrument in writing satisfactory in form to the Corporation Counsel of the City of Boston conveying all the City of Boston's right, title, and interest in and to the following:

A certain parcel of land situated on the westerly side of Blossom street, as relocated, Boston Proper, bounded and described as follows:

Southerly by land of the Massachusetts General Hospital, two and 78-100 (2.78) feet; westerly by land of the Massachusetts General Hospital, twenty-two and 50-100 (22.50) feet, more or less; easterly by the westerly line of Blossom street, as relocated, twenty-two and no-100 (22.00) feet, more or less, containing approximately thirty-one (31) square feet of land.

The above-described parcel of land, together with the location and dimensions, is shown on a plan marked, "City of Boston, Blossom Street, Boston Proper, March 14, 1952, James W. Haley, Chief Engineer, Street Laying-Out Department," on file in said department.

Referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

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

Claims.

Lorin G. Aldrich, for compensation for damage to car by truck of Fire Department.

Patrick Anastasi, for compensation for damage to car by fire truck.

Peter Brodsky, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Dr. Herbert S. Carlin, for compensation for injuries and damage to property by city truck.

Armando P. D'Avella, for compensation for damage to car by patrol wagon.

Sarah DeAngelis, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 1692 Washington street.

Catherine Duggan, for compensation for damage to property at 14 Anson street, Jamaica Plain, caused by broken water main.

John L. Hammond, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Sanitary Division.

Elizabeth Hansen, for compensation for collapse of water boiler at 45 Codman Hill avenue, during installation of water meter.

Sarah L. C. Harling, for compensation for damage to property at 54 Keith street, West Roxbury, during street construction.

Robert G. Hayhurst, for compensation for damage to car by Park Department tractor plow.

Mrs. Thomas Hillery, for compensation for damage to property at 39 Dart road, Dorchester, caused by water being shut off.

John J. Kane, for compensation for damage to car by snowplow.

Anne Katz, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Elm Hill avenue.

Thomas J. Keating, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Public Works Department, Automotive Division.

Ira C. Kimball, for compensation for injuries caused by city truck.

S. S. Kresge Co. of Detroit, Michigan, for compensation for damage to property at 2235 Washington street, Roxbury, caused by broken water main.

Richard C. LeBrun, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Public Works Department, Automotive Division.

Edward B. and Louise P. Martin, for compensation for damage to property at 101 Radcliffe road, Hyde Park, caused by main sewer being clogged.

Charles A. McCarthy, for compensation for damage to car on ferryboat.

Eugene G. McCarthy, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Harriet L. McHugh, for compensation for damage to property at 274 West Fifth street, during removal of tree.

Gertrude E. Murch, for compensation for damage to property at 38 Hillsdale street, Dorchester, caused by backing up of sewage.

Patrick J. Nee, Jr., to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Park Department.

Samuel C. Newman, for compensation for injuries caused by defective operation of gate, Northern Avenue Bridge.

John F. Petitti, Jr., to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him on account of his acts as employee of Police Department.

Almon R. Pruett, for compensation for damage to property at 6 Arion street, Dorchester, caused during building of new manhole.

Record-American-Advertiser, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Peter Tefft, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Peter Varnerin, for compensation for collapse of water boiler at 20 Maywood street, caused by water being shut off.

PETITIONS FOR ANNUITIES.

Petition of Frances M. Connelly, to be paid annuity on account of the death of her husband, Andrew E. Connelly, late member of the Police Department.

Petition of Mary Nixon, to be paid annuity on account of the death of her husband, Arthur A. Nixon, late member of the Fire Department.

Petition of Madeline Shea, to be paid annuity on account of the death of her husband, Joseph J. Shea, late member of the Fire Department.

Severally referred to the Committee on Claims.

APPROVAL OF STATE BOARD OF HOUSING.

Notice was received from the State Housing Board of approval of plans, layout, estimated cost, proposed method of financing, and detailed estimate of expenses and revenue of the fifth revised application for veterans' housing project in Morton street and Lennock road area, Jamaica Plain, consisting of 108 dwelling units at estimated cost of \$1,505,318.

Referred to the Committee on Public Housing.

RECESS.

President PIEMONTE declared a 10-minute recess at 2.26 p.m. The members reassembled in the Council Chamber and were called to order by President PIEMONTE at 2.32 p.m.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFIRMATIONS.

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

1. Report on appointment by the Mayor (referred March 24) of Robert Barrah Goldberg as constable, with authority to serve civil process upon filing of bond, for term ending April 30, 1952—recommending that appointment be confirmed.

2. Report on appointments by the Mayor (referred March 24) of Weighers of Goods, for term ending April 30, 1952, of Arthur Green, 39 Crehore Drive, Newton Lower Falls, and Samuel Weitzman, 652 Washington street, Brookline—recommending that appointments be confirmed.

3. Report on appointments by the Mayor (referred March 24) of Frank M. Keenan, 21 Ruggles place, Dorchester, and Warren Taylor, 59 Taylor street, Malden, as Weighers of Goods and Gaugers of Liquids, for term ending April 30, 1952—recommending that appointments be confirmed.

The reports were accepted, and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councillors Hurley and Joyce. Whole number of ballots, 9, yeas 9, and the appointments were confirmed.

TRANSFER OF LAND ON TRUMAN HIGHWAY.

Coun. WARD offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to arrange for the transfer of title to the Public Works Department of land on Truman Highway, shown on the City of Boston map as No. L-7477 (familiarily known as the Old Pumping Station), to the Board of Street Commissioners for sale, provided the Department of Public Works has no further use for the land.

Referred to the Committee on Public Services and Recreation.

REBUILDING OF UNDERPASS AT
ARCHDALE ROAD, WARD 19.

Coun. HAILER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to rebuild the present underpass at the end of Archdale road, Ward 19, so that it may be used with safety as a foot passageway to Hyde Park avenue.

Referred to the Committee on Public Services and Recreation.

COVERING OF STONY BROOK.

Coun. HAILER offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to submit to the City Council a loan order in an amount sufficient to provide for the covering of Stony Brook in the Roslindale, West Roxbury, and Hyde Park area.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF
FREDERICK A. DRAGONE, JR.

Coun. HAILER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend naming of the square at the intersection of Warren and Clifford streets, Roxbury, in honor of Frederick A. Dragone, Jr., of the United States Army, who was killed in action in Germany in 1944.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

Adjourned at 2.39 P.M., on motion of Councillor Foley, to meet on Monday, April 7, 1952, 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 3, 1952.

Special meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President PIEMONTE in the chair. Absent, Councillor Hurley.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

The meeting was held in pursuance of the following call:

Boston City Council,
Office of the President,
April 1, 1952.

To the Members of the City Council.
You are hereby requested to assemble in the City Council Chamber, City Hall, on Thursday, April 3, 1952, at 2 o'clock P.M., for the purpose of considering the annual budget and for such other business as may come before the City Council.

Respectfully,
GABRIEL F. PIEMONTE,
President.

Placed on file.

RECESSES.

On motion of Councillor Ward the Council voted at 2.25 P.M. to take a recess until 5.30 P.M. The members reassembled in the Council Chamber and were called to order by President PIEMONTE at 5.36 P.M.

On motion of Councillor Ward the Council voted at 5.37 P.M. to take a recess until 8.30 P.M. The members reassembled in the Council Chamber and were called to order by President PIEMONTE at 8.30 P.M.

On motion of Councillor Ward the Council voted at 8.30 P.M. to take a recess until 10 P.M. The members reassembled in the Council Chamber and were called to order by President PIEMONTE at 10.38 P.M., and the President declared a 10-minute recess. The members reassembled in the Council Chamber and were called to order by President PIEMONTE at 11 P.M.

The Clerk called the roll, and all the members were present except Councillor Hurley.

On motion of Councillor Ward the Council voted at 11.01 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 PIEMONTE at 12.55 A.M., April 4.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCE.

Coun. WARD, for the Committee on Appropriations and Finance, submitted the following:

1. Report on message of the Mayor and appropriations and tax orders for the year 1952 (referred February 4)—recommending passage of the same with reduced items as shown on the accompanying orders;

APPROPRIATIONS AND TAX ORDERS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 1952.

Ordered, That to meet the current expenses payable during the financial year beginning with the first day of January, 1952, 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; 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 appropriations for the maintenance and operation of parking meters and the regulation of parking and other traffic activities incident thereto, be met by the income from parking meter fees; that the other appropriations hereinafter specified be met out of the money remaining in the treasury at the close of business on December 31, 1951, 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, 1952; 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 1952, or for any other taxes or assessments payable to the Commonwealth, shall be due and payable on July first of each year. Interest shall be charged at the rate of 4 per cent per annum and computed from October first, 1952, on all real estate and personal property taxes remaining unpaid after November first, 1952, and assessed and payable in the year 1952 before said November first, 1952, 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.

CITY MAINTENANCE.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT.

01 - 11 MAYOR, OFFICE EXPENSES.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES		\$97,462 87
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		7,460 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		11,770 00
4. CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS		14,981 50
420. Dues and subscriptions	\$4,379 00	
430. Bond and insurance premiums	50 00	
440. Licenses	12 50	
470. Rents	540 00	
499. Other current charges and obligations	10,000 00	

CAPITAL OUTLAY

5. EQUIPMENT			\$771 00
560. Office furniture and equipment	.	.	\$621 00
599. Other equipment	.	.	150 00
			<u>\$132,445 37</u>

01 - 12 CITY COUNCIL.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES	.	.	\$116,000 22
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	.	.	19,961 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS	.	.	5,335 00
4. CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS	.	.	260 00
420. Dues and subscriptions	.	.	\$260 00

CAPITAL OUTLAY

5. EQUIPMENT			1,158 50
560. Office furniture and equipment	.	.	\$137 50
593. Library books	.	.	150 00
599. Other equipment	.	.	871 00
			<u>\$142,714 72</u>

01 - 13 CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.

2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	.	.	\$14,000 00
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01 - 21 ELECTION DEPARTMENT.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES	.	.	\$417,532 32
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	.	.	124,665 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS	.	.	21,650 00
4. CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS	.	.	10,610 00
420. Dues and subscriptions	.	.	\$10 00
470. Rents	.	.	10,600 00

CAPITAL OUTLAY

5. EQUIPMENT			495 00
500. Automotive equipment	.	.	
560. Office furniture and equipment	.	.	\$300 00
593. Library books	.	.	195 00
			<u>\$574,952 32</u>

01 - 31 AUDITING DEPARTMENT.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES	.	.	\$176,555 33
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	.	.	1,050 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS	.	.	5,500 00
4. CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS	.	.	570 00
420. Dues and subscriptions	.	.	\$300 00
430. Bond and insurance premiums	.	.	225 00
470. Rents	.	.	45 00

CAPITAL OUTLAY

5. EQUIPMENT			103 00
593. Library books	.	.	\$103 00
			<u>\$183,778 33</u>

01 - 32 AUDITING DEPARTMENT — CENTRAL PAYROLL DIVISION.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES	.	.	\$40,374 71
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	.	.	3,906 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS	.	.	9,200 00
			<u>\$53,480 71</u>

01 - 34 BUDGET DEPARTMENT.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES	.	.	\$41,620 10
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	.	.	188 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS	.	.	500 00
4. CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS	.	.	43 00
420. Dues and subscriptions	.	.	\$43 00
			<u>\$42,351 10</u>

01 - 36 ASSESSING DEPARTMENT.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES	.	.	\$556,141 09
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	.	.	11,450 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS	.	.	25,850 00
4. CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS	.	.	2,200 00
420. Dues and subscriptions	.	.	\$400 00
470. Rents	.	.	1,800 00

CAPITAL OUTLAY

5. EQUIPMENT			54,000 00
510. Electrical and mechanical machinery and equipment	.	.	\$4,000 00
560. Office furniture and equipment	.	.	49,700 00
593. Library books	.	.	300 00
			<u>\$649,641 09</u>

01 - 37 COLLECTING DEPARTMENT.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES		\$155,220 32
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		4,480 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		31,200 00
4. CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS		6,156 00
430. Bond and insurance premiums	\$6,000 00	
470. Rents	156 00	

CAPITAL OUTLAY

5. EQUIPMENT		890 00
560. Office furniture and equipment	\$350 00	
593. Library books	540 00	

\$197,946 32

01 - 41 TREASURY DEPARTMENT.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES		\$135,032 18
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		33,615 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		11,350 00
4. CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS		10,189 00
420. Dues and subscriptions	\$32 00	
430. Bond and insurance premiums	9,375 00	
470. Rents	782 00	

CAPITAL OUTLAY

5. EQUIPMENT		2,385 00
560. Office furniture and equipment	\$2,136 00	
593. Library books	249 00	

\$192,571 18

01 - 43 SUPPLY DEPARTMENT.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES		\$96,695 82
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		4,485 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		6,250 00
4. CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS		246 00
420. Dues and subscriptions	\$150 00	
470. Rents	96 00	

CAPITAL OUTLAY

5. EQUIPMENT		295 00
560. Office furniture and equipment	\$200 00	
593. Library books	95 00	

\$107,971 82

01 - 44 SINKING FUNDS DEPARTMENT.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES		\$3,150 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		450 00
4. CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS		150 00
470. Rents	\$150 00	

\$3,750 00

01 - 51 LAW DEPARTMENT.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES		\$302,245 59
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		79,800 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		5,850 00
4. CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS		1,477 00

CAPITAL OUTLAY

5. EQUIPMENT		1,300 00
560. Office furniture and equipment	\$300 00	
593. Library books	1,000 00	

\$390,672 59

01 - 61 CITY CLERK DEPARTMENT.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES		\$77,516 92
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		1,260 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		5,635 00
4. CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS		185 00
420. Dues and subscriptions	\$110 00	
430. Bond and insurance premiums	55 00	
440. Licenses	10 00	
470. Rents	10 00	

CAPITAL OUTLAY

5. EQUIPMENT		250 00
560. Office furniture and equipment	\$150 00	
593. Library books	100 00	

\$84,846 92

01 - 62 CITY DOCUMENTS.

2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		\$30,000 00
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\$30,000 00

01 - 63 REGISTRY DEPARTMENT.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES		\$109,573 77
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		10,565 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		8,525 00
4. CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS		125 00
420. Dues and subscriptions	\$60 00	
430. Bond and insurance premiums	50 00	
440. Licenses	15 00	

CAPITAL OUTLAY

5. EQUIPMENT		200 00
560. Office furniture and equipment	\$175 00	
593. Library books	25 00	
		<u>\$128,988 77</u>

01 - 64 STATISTICS DEPARTMENT.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES		\$23,856 64
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		80 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		120 00

CAPITAL OUTLAY

5. EQUIPMENT		50 00
593. Library books	\$50 00	
		<u>\$24,106 64</u>

01 - 71 CITY PLANNING BOARD.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES		\$61,563 87
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		5,450 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		670 00
4. CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS		680 00
420. Dues and subscriptions	\$680 00	

CAPITAL OUTLAY

5. EQUIPMENT		488 00
520. Engineering and scientific equipment	\$50 00	
560. Office furniture and equipment	338 00	
593. Library books	100 00	
		<u>\$68,851 87</u>

01 - 72 BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENT.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES		\$1,060 00
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		800 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		300 00
		<u>\$2,160 00</u>

01 - 81 PUBLIC BUILDINGS DEPARTMENT.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES		\$677,516 58
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		196,300 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		52,890 00
4. CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS		79,946 00
430. Bond and insurance premiums	\$20 00	
440. Licenses	6 00	
470. Rents	44,570 00	
494. Payments for support of militia companies	35,350 00	

CAPITAL OUTLAY

5. EQUIPMENT		16,275 00
510. Electrical and mechanical machinery and equipment	\$400 00	
520. Engineering and scientific equipment	100 00	
530. Fire-fighting equipment	500 00	
560. Office furniture and equipment	15,000 00	
593. Library books	75 00	
594. Motorless vehicles	50 00	
599. Other equipment	150 00	
		<u>\$1,022,927 58</u>

01 - 91 BOSTON RETIREMENT BOARD.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES		\$18,994 77
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		13,630 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		650 00

CAPITAL OUTLAY

5. EQUIPMENT		55 00
593. Library books	\$55 00	
		<u>\$33,329 77</u>

01 - 92 STATE-BOSTON RETIREMENT SYSTEM, EXPENSE FUND

\$65,218 89

01 - 93 FINANCE COMMISSION.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES		\$45,700 00
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		2,675 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		800 00
4. CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS		10,550 00
420. Dues and subscriptions	\$210 00	
470. Rents	5,093 00	
499. Other current charges and obligations	5,247 00	

CAPITAL OUTLAY

5. EQUIPMENT		\$275 00
560. Office furniture and equipment	\$100 00	
593. Library books	175 00	
		<u>\$60,000 00</u>

01 - 94 CONVENTIONS AND ENTERTAINMENT OF DISTINGUISHED GUESTS \$63,560 00

01 - 95 PUBLIC CELEBRATIONS \$67,869 00

01 - 96 PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT — CENTRAL OFFICE.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES		\$54,155 29
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		3,850 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		1,000 00
4. CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS		65 00
420. Dues and subscriptions	\$50 00	
430. Bond and insurance premiums	15 00	

CAPITAL OUTLAY

5. EQUIPMENT		203 00
593. Library books	\$203 00	
		<u>\$59,273 29</u>

01 - 97 PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT — AUTOMOTIVE DIVISION.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES		\$377,979 68
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		43,855 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		126,625 00
4. CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS		7,605 00
420. Dues and subscriptions	\$5 00	
440. Licenses	1,100 00	
470. Rents	6,500 00	

CAPITAL OUTLAY

5. EQUIPMENT		89,257 00
500. Automotive equipment	\$50,000 00	
510. Electrical and mechanical machinery and equipment	2,250 00	
530. Fire-fighting equipment	600 00	
560. Office furniture and equipment	307 00	
570. Public works equipment	36,100 00	
		<u>\$645,321 68</u>

CITY MAINTENANCE.
PUBLIC SAFETY.

02 - 11 POLICE DEPARTMENT.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES		\$12,305,000 00
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		402,425 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		469,170 00
4. CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS		5,385 00
420. Dues and subscriptions	\$1,550 00	
430. Bond and insurance premiums	375 00	
440. Licenses	50 00	
470. Rents	3,210 00	
499. Other current charges and obligations	200 00	

CAPITAL OUTLAY

5. EQUIPMENT		99,750 00
500. Automotive equipment	\$62,500 00	
510. Electrical and mechanical machinery and equipment	700 00	
520. Engineering and scientific equipment	300 00	
530. Fire-fighting equipment	1,050 00	
560. Office furniture and equipment	9,500 00	
580. Signal equipment	7,740 00	
591. Agriculture, park and recreation equipment	50 00	
593. Library books	2,610 00	
599. Other equipment	15,300 00	
		<u>\$13,281,730 00</u>

02 - 21 FIRE DEPARTMENT.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES		\$9,685,782 50
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		190,056 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		350,350 00
4. CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS		5,944 50
420. Dues and subscriptions	\$362 00	
430. Bond and insurance premiums	85 00	
440. Licenses	48 00	
470. Rents	5,449 50	

CAPITAL OUTLAY

5. EQUIPMENT		\$189,337 50
500. Automotive equipment	\$25,000 00	
510. Electrical and mechanical machinery and equipment	9,000 00	
520. Engineering and scientific equipment	2,000 00	
530. Fire-fighting equipment	109,500 00	
540. Household furniture and equipment	4,000 00	
550. Medical, dental and hospital equipment	3,100 00	
560. Office furniture and equipment	5,000 00	
580. Signal equipment	30,000 00	
593. Library books	237 50	
599. Other equipment	1,500 00	
		<u>\$10,421,470 50</u>

02 - 34 FIRE DEPARTMENT — ELECTRICAL INSPECTION DIVISION.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES		\$144,316 34
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		5,475 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		2,350 00
4. CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS		95 00
420. Dues and subscriptions	\$55 00	
430. Bond and insurance premiums	40 00	

CAPITAL OUTLAY

5. EQUIPMENT		150 00
560. Office furniture and equipment	\$150 00	
		<u>\$152,386 34</u>

02 - 31 BUILDING DEPARTMENT.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES		\$403,101 81
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		6,955 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		5,200 00
4. CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS		70 50
420. Dues and subscriptions	\$45 00	
430. Bond and insurance premiums	22 50	
440. Licenses	3 00	

CAPITAL OUTLAY

5. EQUIPMENT		310 29
560. Office furniture and equipment	\$130 00	
593. Library books	180 29	
		<u>\$415,637 60</u>

02 - 32 BOARD OF APPEAL.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES		\$21,828 00
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		843 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		302 40
		<u>\$22,973 40</u>

02 - 33 BOARD OF EXAMINERS.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES		\$6,764 00
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		8 60
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		240 00
4. CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS		5 00
430. Bond and insurance premiums	\$5 00	
		<u>\$7,017 60</u>

02 - 35 WEIGHTS AND MEASURES DEPARTMENT.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES		\$75,684 49
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		1,215 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		2,775 00
4. CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS		1,425 50
420. Dues and subscriptions	\$5 00	
430. Bond and insurance premiums	15 00	
440. Licenses	37 50	
470. Rents	1,368 00	

CAPITAL OUTLAY

5. EQUIPMENT		1,535 00
500. Automotive equipment	\$1,300 00	
593. Library books	60 00	
599. Other equipment	175 00	
		<u>\$82,634 99</u>

02 - 36 LICENSING BOARD.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES		\$87,278 08
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		4,077 20
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		4,065 00
4. CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS		10,941 00
470. Rents	\$10,941 00	

CAPITAL OUTLAY

5. EQUIPMENT		\$968 94
560. Office furniture and equipment	\$718 94	
593. Library books	250 00	
		<u>\$107,330 22</u>

02 - 41 CIVIL DEFENSE ACTIVITIES		<u>\$70,973 74</u>
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CITY MAINTENANCE.
HIGHWAYS.

03 - 11 PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT—BRIDGE SERVICE.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES		\$689,574 17
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		26,996 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		37,553 50
4. CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS		305 00
420. Dues and subscriptions	\$5 00	
470. Rents	300 00	

CAPITAL OUTLAY

5. EQUIPMENT		2,182 50
510. Electrical and mechanical machinery and equipment	\$960 00	
520. Engineering and scientific equipment	100 00	
540. Household furniture and equipment	120 00	
593. Library books	2 50	
599. Other equipment	1,000 00	
7. STRUCTURES AND IMPROVEMENTS		240,000 00
23 - 12 Bridges, Repairs, etc.	\$240,000 00	
		<u>\$996,611 17</u>

03 - 21 PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT—LIGHTING SERVICE.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES		\$9,629 03
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		1,242,100 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		100 00
		<u>\$1,251,829 03</u>

03 - 12 PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT—PAVING SERVICE.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES		\$1,309,000 00
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		13,240 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		104,290 00
4. CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS		275 00
420. Dues and subscriptions	\$50 00	
430. Bond and insurance premiums	25 00	
470. Rents	200 00	

CAPITAL OUTLAY

5. EQUIPMENT		940 00
510. Electrical and mechanical machinery and equipment	\$300 00	
520. Engineering and scientific equipment	100 00	
560. Office furniture and equipment	300 00	
593. Library books	240 00	
7. STRUCTURES AND IMPROVEMENTS		352,500 00
23 - 14 Reconstruction of Streets	\$103,000 00	
23 - 15 Sidewalks, Construction and Reconstruction of	86,000 00	
23 - 16 Public Ways, Construction of	157,500 00	
23 - 17 Street Signs	6,000 00	
		<u>\$1,780,245 00</u>

23 - 31 SNOW REMOVAL		<u>\$400,000 00</u>
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(For the payment of materials, supplies, equipment, contracts, overtime and other services incidental to the handling and removal of snow.)

03 - 13 STREET LAYING-OUT DEPARTMENT.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES		\$238,550 02
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		12,450 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		5,700 00
4. CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS		55 00
420. Dues and subscriptions	\$35 00	
430. Bond and insurance premiums	20 00	

CAPITAL OUTLAY

5. EQUIPMENT		3,300 00
520. Engineering and scientific equipment	\$2,800 00	
560. Office furniture and equipment	400 00	
593. Library books	100 00	
		<u>\$260,055 02</u>

03 - 41 BOSTON TRAFFIC COMMISSION.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES		\$475,874 45
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		45,785 71
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		67,880 00
4. CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS		658 50
420. Dues and subscriptions	\$200 00	
430. Bond and insurance premiums	242 50	
440. Licenses	96 00	
496. Taxes (real estate and water — on city-owned property)	120 00	

CAPITAL OUTLAY

5. EQUIPMENT		35,630 00
500. Automotive equipment	\$6,000 00	
510. Electrical and mechanical machinery and equipment	2,250 00	
520. Engineering and scientific equipment	160 00	
540. Household furniture and equipment	—	
560. Office furniture and equipment	1,300 00	
570. Public works equipment	500 00	
580. Signal equipment	25,000 00	
591. Agriculture, park and recreation equipment	270 00	
593. Library books	150 00	

\$625,828 66

CITY MAINTENANCE.
SANITATION.

04 - 11 PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT — SEWER SERVICE.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES		\$650,959 27
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		141,640 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		20,960 00
4. CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS		639 50
420. Dues and subscriptions	\$34 50	
430. Bond and insurance premiums	5 00	
496. Taxes (real estate and water — on city-owned property)	600 00	

CAPITAL OUTLAY

5. EQUIPMENT		2,355 00
530. Fire-fighting equipment	\$1,090 00	
560. Office furniture and equipment	150 00	
570. Public works equipment	1,000 00	
593. Library books	15 00	
599. Other equipment	100 00	

\$816,553 77

04 - 21 PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT — SANITARY SERVICE.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES		\$2,440,000 00
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		2,690,250 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		25,700 00
4. CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS		365 00
420. Dues and subscriptions	\$60 00	
440. Licenses	130 00	
470. Rents	175 00	

CAPITAL OUTLAY

5. EQUIPMENT		8,520 00
510. Electrical and mechanical machinery and equipment	\$2,000 00	
530. Fire-fighting equipment	100 00	
560. Office furniture and equipment	1,500 00	
570. Public works equipment	3,400 00	
593. Library books	20 00	
594. Motorless vehicles	1,500 00	

\$5,164,835 00

CITY MAINTENANCE.
HEALTH.

05 - 21 HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES		\$1,345,172 29
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		265,010 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		51,993 00
4. CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS		1,908 00
420. Dues and subscriptions	\$120 00	
430. Bond and insurance premiums	15 00	
440. Licenses	25 00	
470. Rents	1,548 00	
499. Other current charges and obligations	200 00	

CAPITAL OUTLAY

5. EQUIPMENT		8,155 00
530. Fire-fighting equipment	\$25 00	
540. Household furniture and equipment	1,000 00	
550. Medical, dental and hospital equipment	6,000 00	
560. Office furniture and equipment	1,000 00	
593. Library books	130 00	

\$1,672,238 29

CITY MAINTENANCE.
HOSPITALS.

06 - II HOSPITAL DEPARTMENT.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES		\$7,410,000 00
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		420,025 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		2,813,600 00
4. CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS		10,450 00
420. Dues and subscriptions	\$2,950 00	
430. Bond and insurance premiums	1,000 00	
470. Rents	6,500 00	

CAPITAL OUTLAY

5. EQUIPMENT		224,034 00
500. Automotive equipment	\$5,000 00	
510. Electrical and mechanical machinery and equipment	63,600 00	
520. Engineering and scientific equipment	34 00	
530. Fire-fighting equipment	3,000 00	
540. Household furniture and equipment	40,000 00	
550. Medical, dental and hospital equipment	80,000 00	
560. Office furniture and equipment	20,000 00	
570. Public works equipment	1,800 00	
591. Agriculture, park and recreation equipment	100 00	
593. Library books	1,000 00	
594. Motorless vehicles	8,000 00	
599. Other equipment	1,500 00	
7. STRUCTURES AND IMPROVEMENTS		50,000 00
26-11 Installations, Alterations, and Repairs	\$50,000 00	

\$10,928,109 00

06 - 21 HOSPITAL DEPARTMENT — SANATORIUM DIVISION.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES		\$1,519,000 00
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		115,650 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		681,850 00
4. CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS		175 00
420. Dues and subscriptions	\$125 00	
430. Bond and insurance premiums	30 00	
440. Licenses	20 00	

CAPITAL OUTLAY

5. EQUIPMENT		38,640 00
510. Electrical and mechanical machinery and equipment	\$9,200 00	
530. Fire-fighting equipment	450 00	
540. Household furniture and equipment	6,500 00	
550. Medical, dental and hospital equipment	20,000 00	
560. Office furniture and equipment	940 00	
593. Library books	100 00	
594. Motorless vehicles	700 00	
599. Other equipment	750 00	
7. STRUCTURES AND IMPROVEMENTS		50,000 00
26-21 Installations, Alterations and Repairs	\$50,000 00	

\$2,405,315 00

06 - 31 INSTITUTIONS DEPARTMENT — LONG ISLAND HOSPITAL.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES		\$999,000 00
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		174,225 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		619,857 00
4. CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS		470 50
420. Dues and subscriptions	\$418 50	
430. Bond and insurance premiums	10 00	
470. Rents	42 00	

CAPITAL OUTLAY

5. EQUIPMENT		74,775 00
500. Automotive equipment	\$7,875 00	
510. Electrical and mechanical machinery and equipment	7,500 00	
540. Household furniture and equipment	30,000 00	
550. Medical, dental and hospital equipment	25,000 00	
560. Office furniture and equipment	2,300 00	
593. Library books	400 00	
594. Motorless vehicles	1,000 00	
599. Other equipment	700 00	
7. STRUCTURES AND IMPROVEMENTS		180,000 00
Special Improvements and Repairs	\$180,000 00	

\$2,048,327 50

CITY MAINTENANCE.
PUBLIC WELFARE.

07 - 62 PUBLIC WELFARE DEPARTMENT — CENTRAL OFFICE.

1.	PERSONAL SERVICES		\$934,500 00
2.	CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		63,550 00
3.	SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		91,085 00
4.	CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS		18,384,713 80
	420. Dues and subscriptions	\$815 00	
	430. Bond and insurance premiums	677 80	
	440. Licenses	16 00	
	461. Aid to dependent children	3,875,040 00	
	462. General relief	3,184,000 00	
	463. Old age assistance	9,620,000 00	
	465. Aid to permanently and totally disabled	1,684,800 00	
	470. Rents	19,365 00	

CAPITAL OUTLAY

5.	EQUIPMENT		26,436 50
	510. Electrical and mechanical machinery and equipment	\$736 50	
	560. Office furniture and equipment	25,000 00	
	593. Library books	700 00	

\$19,500,285 30

07 - 11 PUBLIC WELFARE DEPARTMENT — TEMPORARY HOME.

1.	PERSONAL SERVICES		\$33,061 69
2.	CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		2,990 00
3.	SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		14,570 00
4.	CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS		5 00
	430. Bond and insurance premiums	\$5 00	

CAPITAL OUTLAY

5.	EQUIPMENT		337 00
	540. Household furniture and equipment	\$192 00	
	560. Office furniture and equipment	145 00	

\$50,963 69

07 - 12 PUBLIC WELFARE DEPARTMENT — WAYFARERS' LODGE.

1.	PERSONAL SERVICES		\$13,534 75
2.	CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		3,895 00
3.	SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		17,517 50
4.	CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS		65 00
	420. Dues and subscriptions	\$65 00	

\$35,012 25

07 - 61 INSTITUTIONS DEPARTMENT — CENTRAL OFFICE.

1.	PERSONAL SERVICES		\$77,422 93
2.	CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		2,435 00
3.	SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		1,645 00
4.	CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS		93 00
	420. Dues and subscriptions	\$80 00	
	430. Bond and insurance premiums	10 00	
	440. Licenses	3 00	

CAPITAL OUTLAY

5.	EQUIPMENT		219 00
	500. Automotive equipment		
	560. Office furniture and equipment	\$159 00	
	593. Library books	60 00	

\$81,814 93

07 - 51 INSTITUTIONS DEPARTMENT — CHILD WELFARE DIVISION.

1.	PERSONAL SERVICES		\$98,355 41
2.	CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		548,775 00
3.	SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		101,780 00
4.	CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS		560 00
	420. Dues and subscriptions	\$548 00	
	440. Licenses	4 00	
	470. Rents	8 00	

CAPITAL OUTLAY

5.	EQUIPMENT		2,469 00
	500. Automotive equipment	\$2,100 00	
	540. Household furniture and equipment	50 00	
	550. Medical, dental and hospital equipment	50 00	
	560. Office furniture and equipment	159 00	
	593. Library books	110 00	

\$751,939 41

07 - 41 DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' SERVICES.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES		\$235,182 74
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		4,095 40
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		6,425 00
4. CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS		1,450,540 00
420. Dues and subscriptions	\$103 00	
430. Bond and insurance premiums	335 00	
464. Veterans' benefits and burials	1,450,000 00	
470. Rents	102 00	

CAPITAL OUTLAY

5. EQUIPMENT		667 25
550. Medical, dental and hospital equipment	\$32 25	
560. Office furniture and equipment	535 00	
593. Library books	100 00	
		<u>\$1,696,910 39</u>

CITY MAINTENANCE.
LIBRARIES.

10 - 11 LIBRARY DEPARTMENT.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES		\$2,450,000 00
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		203,836 74
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		207,695 00
4. CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS		70,884 00
420. Dues and subscriptions	\$12,500 00	
430. Bond and insurance premiums	658 00	
470. Rents	57,726 00	

CAPITAL OUTLAY

5. EQUIPMENT		56,700 00
510. Electrical and mechanical machinery and equipment	\$300 00	
530. Fire-fighting equipment	500 00	
540. Household furniture and equipment	5,500 00	
560. Office furniture and equipment	15,000 00	
591. Agriculture, park and recreation equipment	25 00	
593. Library books	35,000 00	
594. Motorless vehicles	275 00	
599. Other equipment	100 00	
		<u>\$2,989,115 74</u>

CITY MAINTENANCE.
RECREATION.

11 - 41 PARK DEPARTMENT.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES		\$2,244,000 00
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		237,500 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		268,960 00
4. CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS		12,089 00
420. Dues and subscriptions	\$229 00	
430. Bond and insurance premiums	360 00	
470. Rents	11,500 00	

CAPITAL OUTLAY

5. EQUIPMENT		34,525 00
500. Automotive equipment	\$17,500 00	
510. Electrical and mechanical machinery and equipment	1,450 00	
520. Engineering and scientific equipment	400 00	
530. Fire-fighting equipment	750 00	
540. Household furniture and equipment	375 00	
560. Office furniture and equipment	150 00	
570. Public works equipment	5,000 00	
591. Agriculture, park and recreation equipment	7,500 00	
593. Library books	100 00	
594. Motorless vehicles	100 00	
599. Other equipment	1,200 00	
7. STRUCTURES AND IMPROVEMENTS		140,000 00
23 - 19 Reconstruction and Repair of Parkways and Roadways	\$110,000 00	
31 - 21 Rehabilitation of Franklin Park Zoo	30,000 00	
8. LAND AND NONSTRUCTURAL IMPROVEMENTS TO LAND		184,000 00
31 - 14 Park and Playground Improvements	\$154,000 00	
31 - 43 Control of Dutch Elm Disease	30,000 00	
		<u>\$3,121,074 00</u>

11 - 42 BOARD OF RECREATION		<u>\$12,000 00</u>
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CITY MAINTENANCE.
ENTERPRISES.

71 - 14 PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT — FERRY SERVICE.		
1. PERSONAL SERVICES		\$220,239 09
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		54,292 50
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		39,458 00
4. CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS		1,375 00
420. Dues and subscriptions	\$5 00	
430. Bond and insurance premiums	125 00	
470. Rents	1,245 00	
CAPITAL OUTLAY		
5. EQUIPMENT		480 00
530. Fire-fighting equipment	\$420 00	
560. Office furniture and equipment	—	
599. Other equipment	60 00	
		\$315,844 59
71 - 58 BOSTON HOUSING AUTHORITY		\$27,000 00

13 - 61 CITY RECORD, PUBLICATION OF.		
1. PERSONAL SERVICES		\$7,357 48
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		40,800 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		200 00
CAPITAL OUTLAY		
5. EQUIPMENT		60 00
593. Library books	\$60 00	
		\$48,417 48

13 - 11 MARKET DIVISION.		
1. PERSONAL SERVICES		\$28,387 97
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		1,220 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		1,160 00
4. CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS		5 00
420. Dues and subscriptions	\$5 00	
		\$30,772 97

13 - 21 PARK DEPARTMENT — CEMETERY DIVISION.		
1. PERSONAL SERVICES		\$241,843 08
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		14,865 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		8,485 00
4. CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS		2,060 00
420. Dues and subscriptions	\$20 00	
430. Bond and insurance premiums	40 00	
470. Rents	2,000 00	
CAPITAL OUTLAY		
5. EQUIPMENT		22,645 00
510. Electrical and mechanical machinery and equipment	\$1,000 00	
560. Office furniture and equipment	1,025 00	
591. Agriculture, park and recreation equipment	500 00	
592. Cemetery equipment	20,000 00	
593. Library books	120 00	
8. LAND AND NONSTRUCTURAL IMPROVEMENTS TO LAND		36,000 00
33 - 26 Mount Hope Cemetery, Development of	\$28,000 00	
33 - 27 Fairview and Evergreen Cemeteries, Development of	8,000 00	
		\$325,898 08

CITY MAINTENANCE.
UNCLASSIFIED.

13 - 41 LAW DEPARTMENT — WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION SERVICES.		
1. PERSONAL SERVICES		\$31,822 00
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		200 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		1,540 00
4. CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS		50 00
420. Dues and subscriptions	\$50 00	
CAPITAL OUTLAY		
5. EQUIPMENT		60 00
593. Library books	\$60 00	
		\$33,672 00
13 - 42 WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION		\$150,000 00

13 - 51 MUNICIPAL EMPLOYMENT BUREAU.		
1. PERSONAL SERVICES		\$24,344 52
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		96 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		250 00
		\$24,690 52

13 - 71 ART DEPARTMENT.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES	\$1,032 00
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	1,555 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS	30 00
	<u>\$2,617 00</u>

13 - 31 EXECUTIONS OF COURT, DAMAGE CLAIMS AND REIMBURSEMENTS	\$260,000 00
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13 - 72 BOARD OF REAL ESTATE COMMISSIONERS.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES	\$55,927 96
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	29,485 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS	875 00
4. CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS	7,010 00
420. Dues and subscriptions	\$75 00
430. Bond and insurance premiums	6,760 00
440. Licenses	5 00
470. Rents	170 00

CAPITAL OUTLAY

5. EQUIPMENT	100 00
593. Library books	\$100 00
	<u>\$93,397 96</u>

33 - 73 RESERVE FUND	\$150,000 00
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(For transfer purposes as authorized under Chapter 40, Section 5A, of the General Laws.)

13 - 74 PENSIONS AND ANNUITIES (CITY)	\$2,950,000 00
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13 - 76 CARE OF VETERANS' GRAVES.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES	\$17,186 66
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	385 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS	300 00
4. CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS	5 00
420. Dues and subscriptions	\$5 00

CAPITAL OUTLAY

5. EQUIPMENT	247 50
560. Office furniture and equipment	\$122 50
599. Other equipment	125 00
	<u>\$18,124 16</u>

13 - 77 BOND ALLOTMENT PLAN	\$60,000 00
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13 - 78 CIVIC IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE	\$7,500 00
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COUNTY MAINTENANCE.
GENERAL GOVERNMENT.

01 - 33 MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES — AUDITING DEPARTMENT.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES	\$33,316 65
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	400 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS	600 00
4. CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS	28 00
420. Dues and subscriptions	\$28 00
	<u>\$34,344 65</u>

01 - 35 MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES — BUDGET DEPARTMENT.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES	\$16,449 18
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	50 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS	500 00
4. CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS	31 50
420. Dues and subscriptions	\$31 50

CAPITAL OUTLAY

5. EQUIPMENT	18 50
593. Library books	\$18 50
	<u>\$17,049 18</u>

01 - 38 MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES — COLLECTING DEPARTMENT.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES	\$700 00
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01 - 42 MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES — TREASURY DEPARTMENT.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES	\$6,896 68
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS	35 00
	<u>\$6,931 68</u>

01 - 65 REGISTRY OF DEEDS.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES		\$349,031 05
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		5,060 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		16,800 00
4. CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS		156 00
420. Dues and subscriptions	\$5 00	
430. Bond and insurance premiums	151 00	

CAPITAL OUTLAY

5. EQUIPMENT		868 00
560. Office furniture and equipment	\$493 00	
593. Library books	375 00	

\$371,915 05

01 - 66 INDEX COMMISSIONERS.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES		\$41,852 97
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		682 50
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		750 00

\$43,275 47

01 - 82 SUFFOLK COUNTY — COURT HOUSE CUSTODIAN.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES		\$454,082 97
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		71,536 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		43,345 00
4. CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS		5 00

CAPITAL OUTLAY

5. EQUIPMENT		5,182 00
540. Household furniture and equipment	\$250 00	
560. Office furniture and equipment	4,000 00	
570. Public works equipment	832 00	
599. Other equipment	100 00	

\$574,150 97

01 - 83 COUNTY BUILDINGS.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES		\$142,365 41
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		26,350 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		7,640 00
4. CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS		500 00
470. Rents	\$500 00	

CAPITAL OUTLAY

5. EQUIPMENT		1,400 00
530. Fire-fighting equipment	\$150 00	
540. Household furniture and equipment	100 00	
560. Office furniture and equipment	1,000 00	
599. Other equipment	150 00	

\$178,255 41

COUNTY MAINTENANCE
CORRECTION.

08 - 11 JAIL.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES		\$285,174 98
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		15,330 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		72,823 00
4. CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS		575 00
420. Dues and subscriptions	\$17 00	
430. Bond and insurance premiums	75 00	
440. Licenses	3 00	
470. Rents	180 00	
492. Gratuities	300 00	

CAPITAL OUTLAY

5. EQUIPMENT		2,780 00
510. Electrical and mechanical machinery and equipment	—	
540. Household furniture and equipment	\$2,150 00	
550. Medical, dental and hospital equipment	200 00	
560. Office furniture and equipment	400 00	
593. Library books	30 00	
599. Other equipment	—	

7. STRUCTURES AND IMPROVEMENTS		10,000 00
28-11 Jail Improvements	\$10,000 00	

\$386,682 98

08 - 12 PENAL INSTITUTIONS DEPARTMENT — CENTRAL OFFICE.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES		\$66,586 79
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		515 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		855 00
4. CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS		11 00
420. Dues and subscriptions	\$5 00	
440. Licenses	6 00	

CAPITAL OUTLAY

5. EQUIPMENT		\$155 00	\$155 00
560. Office furniture and equipment			
			<u>\$68,122 79</u>

08 - 13 PENAL INSTITUTIONS DEPARTMENT — HOUSE OF CORRECTION.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES			\$413,693 42
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES			30,650 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS			377,800 00
4. CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS			6,315 00
420. Dues and subscriptions		\$20 00	
430. Bond and insurance premiums		60 00	
440. Licenses		35 00	
492. Gratuities		200 00	
496. Taxes (real estate and water — on city-owned property)		6,000 00	

CAPITAL OUTLAY

5. EQUIPMENT			37,991 00
500. Automotive equipment		\$7,370 00	
510. Electrical and mechanical machinery and equipment		9,884 00	
530. Fire-fighting equipment		50 00	
540. Household furniture and equipment		18,350 00	
550. Medical, dental and hospital equipment		250 00	
560. Office furniture and equipment		495 00	
591. Agriculture, park and recreation equipment		300 00	
593. Library books		50 00	
594. Motorless vehicles		245 00	
599. Other equipment		1,000 00	

\$866,452 42

08 - 14 MIDDLESEX COUNTY TRAINING SCHOOL \$60,000 00

COUNTY MAINTENANCE.
CENTRAL COURTS.

12 - 11 SUPREME JUDICIAL COURT.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES			\$80,084 75
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES			3,350 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS			1,250 00
4. CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS			100 00
430. Bond and insurance premiums		\$100 00	

CAPITAL OUTLAY

5. EQUIPMENT			500 00
560. Office furniture and equipment		\$350 00	
593. Library books		150 00	

\$85,284 75

12 - 12 SUPERIOR COURT — CIVIL SESSION — GENERAL EXPENSES.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES			\$431,458 89
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES			221,230 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS			5,370 00
4. CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS			320 50
430. Bond and insurance premiums		\$320 50	

CAPITAL OUTLAY

5. EQUIPMENT			2,625 00
560. Office furniture and equipment		\$125 00	
593. Library books		2,500 00	

\$661,004 39

12 - 13 SUPERIOR COURT — CIVIL SESSION — CLERK'S OFFICE.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES			\$307,908 48
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES			5,600 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS			12,500 00

CAPITAL OUTLAY

5. EQUIPMENT			1,275 00
560. Office furniture and equipment		\$975 00	
599. Other equipment		300 00	

\$327,283 48

12 - 14 SUPERIOR COURT — CRIMINAL SESSION.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES			\$482,609 34
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES			212,100 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS			14,623 60
4. CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS			400 00
430. Bond and insurance premiums		\$400 00	

CAPITAL OUTLAY

5. EQUIPMENT			850 00
560. Office furniture and equipment		\$150 00	
593. Library books		400 00	

\$710,582 94

12 - 15 MUNICIPAL COURT — CITY OF BOSTON.

1.	PERSONAL SERVICES		\$753,814 79
2.	CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		25,215 00
3.	SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		26,075 00
4.	CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS		800 00
	420. Dues and subscriptions	\$25 00	
	430. Bond and insurance premiums	575 00	
	462. General relief	200 00	
CAPITAL OUTLAY			
5.	EQUIPMENT		2,775 00
	550. Medical, dental and hospital equipment	\$75 00	
	560. Office furniture and equipment	2,000 00	
	593. Library books	700 00	
			<u>\$808,679 79</u>

12 - 16 BOSTON JUVENILE COURT.

1.	PERSONAL SERVICES		\$73,541 70
2.	CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		3,317 00
3.	SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		1,200 00
4.	CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS		210 76
	420. Dues and subscriptions	\$131 26	
	430. Bond and insurance premiums	79 50	
CAPITAL OUTLAY			
5.	EQUIPMENT		175 00
	560. Office furniture and equipment	\$25 00	
	593. Library books	150 00	
			<u>\$78,444 46</u>

12 - 17 PROBATE COURT.

1.	PERSONAL SERVICES		\$21,324 01
2.	CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		17,775 00
3.	SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		18,245 00
4.	CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS		20 00
	420. Dues and subscriptions	\$20 00	
CAPITAL OUTLAY			
5.	EQUIPMENT		1,298 00
	560. Office furniture and equipment	\$748 00	
	593. Library books	550 00	
			<u>\$58,662 01</u>

COUNTY MAINTENANCE.

DISTRICT COURTS.

12 - 21 MUNICIPAL COURT — CHARLESTOWN DISTRICT.

1.	PERSONAL SERVICES		\$51,588 90
2.	CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		2,466 00
3.	SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		2,070 00
4.	CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS		67 80
	430. Bond and insurance premiums	\$67 80	
CAPITAL OUTLAY			
5.	EQUIPMENT		325 00
	560. Office furniture and equipment	\$125 00	
	593. Library books	200 00	
			<u>\$56,517 70</u>

12 - 22 EAST BOSTON DISTRICT COURT.

1.	PERSONAL SERVICES		\$52,474 28
2.	CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		2,395 00
3.	SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		3,120 00
4.	CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS		75 50
	430. Bond and insurance premiums	\$71 50	
	470. Rents	4 00	
CAPITAL OUTLAY			
5.	EQUIPMENT		125 00
	593. Library books	\$125 00	
			<u>\$58,189 78</u>

12 - 23 MUNICIPAL COURT — SOUTH BOSTON DISTRICT.

1.	PERSONAL SERVICES		\$60,062 00
2.	CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		2,770 08
3.	SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		1,860 00
4.	CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS		155 00
	430. Bond and insurance premiums	\$92 00	
	470. Rents	63 00	
CAPITAL OUTLAY			
5.	EQUIPMENT		390 00
	560. Office furniture and equipment	\$175 00	
	593. Library books	215 00	
			<u>\$65,237 08</u>

12 - 24 MUNICIPAL COURT — DORCHESTER DISTRICT.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES		\$86,057 02
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		3,198 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		2,070 00
4. CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS		170 00
430. Bond and insurance premiums	\$90 00	
470. Rents	80 00	

CAPITAL OUTLAY

5. EQUIPMENT		230 00
560. Office furniture and equipment	\$150 00	
593. Library books	80 00	

\$91,725 02

12 - 25 MUNICIPAL COURT — ROXBURY DISTRICT.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES		\$188,458 83
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		11,915 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		6,730 00
4. CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS		359 00
430. Bond and insurance premiums	\$263 00	
470. Rents	96 00	

CAPITAL OUTLAY

5. EQUIPMENT		655 00
560. Office furniture and equipment	\$405 00	
593. Library books	250 00	

\$208,117 83

12 - 26 MUNICIPAL COURT — WEST ROXBURY DISTRICT.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES		\$62,154 04
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		2,532 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		2,200 00
4. CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS		95 50
420. Dues and subscriptions	\$5 00	
430. Bond and insurance premiums	90 50	

CAPITAL OUTLAY

5. EQUIPMENT		95 00
593. Library books	\$95 00	

\$67,076 54

12 - 27 MUNICIPAL COURT — BRIGHTON DISTRICT.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES		\$42,999 00
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		1,750 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		2,725 00
4. CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS		55 50
430. Bond and insurance premiums	\$55 50	

CAPITAL OUTLAY

5. EQUIPMENT		535 50
560. Office furniture and equipment	\$185 50	
593. Library books	350 00	

\$48,065 00

12 - 28 DISTRICT COURT OF CHELSEA.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES		\$62,649 00
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		2,530 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		3,190 00
4. CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS		69 50
420. Dues and subscriptions	\$5 00	
430. Bond and insurance premiums	64 50	

CAPITAL OUTLAY

5. EQUIPMENT		275 00
560. Office furniture and equipment	\$100 00	
593. Library books	175 00	

\$68,713 50

COUNTY MAINTENANCE.

MEDICAL EXAMINATIONS.

12 - 31 MEDICAL EXAMINER SERVICE — NORTHERN DIVISION.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES		\$34,675 91
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		3,005 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		1,250 00

CAPITAL OUTLAY

5. EQUIPMENT		195 00
550. Medical, dental and hospital equipment	\$50 00	
593. Library books	113 00	
599. Other equipment	32 00	

\$39,125 91

12 - 32 MEDICAL EXAMINER SERVICE — SOUTHERN DIVISION.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES		\$21,056 00
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		4,600 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		950 00
4. CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS		178 50
430. Bond and insurance premiums	\$7 50	
440. Licenses	3 00	
470. Rents	168 00	
CAPITAL OUTLAY		
5. EQUIPMENT		1,975 00
500. Automotive equipment	\$1,600 00	
550. Medical, dental and hospital equipment	350 00	
593. Library books	25 00	
		<u>\$28,759 50</u>

12 - 33 ASSOCIATE MEDICAL EXAMINER SERVICE — NORTHERN DIVISION.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES		\$2,900 00
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		560 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		65 00
4. CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS		7 50
430. Bond and insurance premiums	\$7 50	
		<u>\$3,532 50</u>

12 - 34 ASSOCIATE MEDICAL EXAMINER SERVICE — SOUTHERN DIVISION.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES		\$2,800 00
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		730 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		40 00
4. CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS		7 50
430. Bond and insurance premiums	\$7 50	
		<u>\$3,577 50</u>

COUNTY MAINTENANCE.

UNCLASSIFIED.

12 - 42 INSANITY CASES.

2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		\$50,090 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		125 00
		<u>\$50,215 00</u>

12 - 43 MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES — SHERIFF.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES		\$7,260 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		200 00
4. CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS		475 00
430. Bond and insurance premiums	\$475 00	
		<u>\$7,935 00</u>

13 - 75 PENSIONS AND ANNUITIES (COUNTY)		<u>\$95,000 00</u>
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INCOME DEPARTMENTS.

ENTERPRISES.

13 - 62 PRINTING DEPARTMENT.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES		\$510,690 35
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		158,610 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		188,875 00
4. CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS		102 00
440. Licenses	\$2 00	
470. Rents	100 00	
CAPITAL OUTLAY		
5. EQUIPMENT		1,550 00
510. Electrical and mechanical machinery and equipment	\$1,200 00	
560. Office furniture and equipment	300 00	
593. Library books	50 00	
		<u>\$859,827 35</u>

71 - 11 PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT—SUMNER TUNNEL.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES		\$376,601 16
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		123,175 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		18,480 00
4. CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS		1,580 00
401. Payments for damages to persons and property	\$500 00	
420. Dues and subscriptions	205 00	
430. Bond and insurance premiums	725 00	
440. Licenses	50 00	
491. Deposit adjustments	100 00	

CAPITAL OUTLAY

5. EQUIPMENT		\$5,570 00
500. Automotive equipment		—
510. Electrical and mechanical machinery and equipment	\$3,000 00	
520. Engineering and scientific equipment	425 00	
530. Fire-fighting equipment	785 00	
560. Office furniture and equipment	1,000 00	
580. Signal equipment	300 00	
599. Other equipment	60 00	
		<u>\$525,406 16</u>

71 - 12 PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT—WATER SERVICE.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES		\$1,555,000 00
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		493,524 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		288,450 00
4. CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS		22,138 00
401. Payments for damages to persons and property	\$20,000 00	
420. Dues and subscriptions	17 00	
430. Bond and insurance premiums	210 00	
440. Licenses	235 00	
470. Rents	1,676 00	

CAPITAL OUTLAY

5. EQUIPMENT		\$9,400 00
500. Automotive equipment	\$12,000 00	
510. Electrical and mechanical machinery and equipment	—	
520. Engineering and scientific equipment	250 00	
530. Fire-fighting equipment	350 00	
560. Office furniture and equipment	1,000 00	
570. Public works equipment	75,000 00	
593. Library books	50 00	
594. Motorless vehicles	500 00	
599. Other equipment	250 00	
		<u>\$2,448,512 00</u>

71 - 13 COLLECTING DEPARTMENT—WATER DIVISION.

1. PERSONAL SERVICES		\$163,740 88
2. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		6,825 00
3. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		17,055 00
4. CURRENT CHARGES AND OBLIGATIONS		2,478 25
420. Dues and subscriptions	\$97 00	
430. Bond and insurance premiums	1,475 00	
470. Rents	906 25	

CAPITAL OUTLAY

5. EQUIPMENT		186 00
593. Library books	\$186 00	
		<u>\$190,285 13</u>

71 - 16 PENSIONS AND ANNUITIES (INCOME)		<u>\$70,000 00</u>
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The report of the committee was accepted, and the budget as submitted by the committee was passed, yeas 8, nays 0:
Yeas—Councillors Ahearn, Foley, Hailer, Joyce, Kerrigan, Piemonte, Ward, White—8.
Nays—0.

STATEMENT OF CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCE.

Coun. WARD submitted the following:
This budget as submitted by the Committee on Appropriations and Finance is made without prejudice, and with a sincere desire to cooperate with the Mayor and city administration. We have closely examined this budget and we know that in the short period of time available to us, we may have in some places cut some muscle with the fat. If this be so, an opportunity for correction will present itself to this Body by a supplementary budget. We invite constructive criticism and suggestions from administrative officials of the various departments.
We advocate forthwith: 1, a complete inventory of all office equipment in each and every department of the city; 2, we recommend the establishment of a central document room in the City Hall to serve both as a clearing house for city publications and reference books (including city directories), so that they will be available to all departments located in City Hall who may have use for them at a considerable saving to the city annually.
We also recommend the establishment of: 1, a central mailing office in City Hall, and, 2, a central mimeograph office, and, 3, a central office equipment repair and maintenance pool.
In the review of future budgets, we shall require the departments to supply us with a justification, in writing, of each item which it proposes to pro-

cure on a basis of sound cost analysis. This analysis was lacking in too many instances this year.

The committee deliberated upon the elimination of the Statistics and Municipal Employment Bureau. Mindful that the law provides for the reorganization of the various departments, the committee has taken no action until it makes a more detailed study of a general reorganization plan.

With a deep personal concern for the morale of the career municipal employe, no action on any item under personal service is recommended to be cut.

The committee and the Council recognizes the need for a reorganization of personnel but is content, at present, to await the results of the reclassification program now pending.

We reaffirm our desire to join the Mayor in assisting Boston to regain its place of preeminence as a pioneer in better civic government.

Placed on file.

DETAILED BUDGET REDUCTIONS.

Coun. AHEARN, for the Committee on Appropriations and Finance, submitted the following document showing the reductions in the budget in detail, entitled "Detailed Breakdown of 1952 Budget," as follows:

DETAILED BREAKDOWN OF 1952 BUDGET.

ART DEPARTMENT.		
Item No.	Allowed by Mayor.	Councillor's Proposed Cut.
260	\$1,800 00	\$300 00

ASSESSING DEPARTMENT.		
360	\$26,500 00	\$800 00
470	3,500 00	1,700 00
560	50,700 00	1,000 00

AUDITING DEPARTMENT.		
270	\$900 00	\$200 00
360	4,700 00	200 00

CENTRAL PAYROLL.		
270	\$5,200 00	\$1,494 00
360	10,000 00	800 00

BOSTON RETIREMENT BOARD.		
360	\$800 00	\$150 00

BOSTON TRAFFIC COMMISSION.		
210	\$3,000 00	\$164 29
221	32,000 00	1,000 00
260	3,000 00	1,600 00
270	4,000 00	200 00
294	750 00	350 00
300	6,000 00	500 00
310	5,000 00	700 00
330	4,000 00	1,525 00
340	2,000 00	400 00
360	4,500 00	450 00
370	60,000 00	15,000 00
395	1,800 00	300 00
500	12,500 00	6,500 00
510	2,900 00	650 00
540	200 00	200 00
560	1,800 00	500 00
580	30,000 00	5,000 00

BUDGET DEPARTMENT.		
360	\$600 00	\$100 00

BUILDING DEPARTMENT.		
270	\$305 00	\$100 00
297	10,100 00	9,600 00
300	235 00	135 00
360	5,500 00	500 00
560	780 00	650 00
593	435 00	254 71

BOARD OF APPEAL.		
Item No.	Allowed by Mayor.	Committee's Proposed Cut.
360	\$400 00	\$100 00

BOARD OF EXAMINERS.		
360	\$300 00	\$60 00

CITY CLERK.		
297	\$800 00	\$100 00
360	1,700 00	125 00

CITY COUNCIL.		
210	\$200 00	\$100 00
270	400 00	50 00
291	2,000 00	1,800 00
293	261 00	100 00
360	5,300 00	500 00
599	1,000 00	129 00

CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.		
230	\$6,000 00	—
297	10,000 00	\$2,000 00

COLLECTING DEPARTMENT.		
Item No.	Allowed by Mayor.	Council Proposed Cut.
270	\$200 00	\$50 00
297	7,600 00	—
360	33,000 00	1,800 00

ELECTION DEPARTMENT.

Item No.	Allowed by Mayor.	Councillors' Proposed Cut.
270	\$600 00	\$400 00
282	150 00	150 00
295	390 00	200 00
297	129,500 00	15,000 00
300	300 00	200 00
310	850 00	150 00
320	500 00	250 00
330	200 00	100 00
360	25,000 00	5,000 00
393	600 00	400 00
394	1,450 00	600 00
395	200 00	150 00
470	12,200 00	1,600 00
500	1,400 00	1,400 00
560	800 00	300 00

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Item No.	Allowed by Mayor.	Councillors' Proposed Cut.
222	\$3,200 00	\$100 00
260	90,000 00	40,000 00
70	40,000 00	2,000 00
297	8,000 00	1,500 00
300	105,000 00	10,000 00
310	23,000 00	5,000 00
320	75 00	25 00
330	100,000 00	8,700 00
360	19,000 00	2,000 00
370	60,000 00	10,000 00
393	9,000 00	1,000 00
394	35,000 00	10,000 00
396	25,000 00	1,000 00
399	5,000 00	1,000 00
500	35,000 00	10,000 00
510	10,000 00	1,000 00
530	139,500 00	30,000 00
540	5,000 00	1,000 00
560	6,500 00	1,500 00
593	387 50	150 00
599	1,800 00	300 00
395	8,000 00	1,500 00

FIRE DEPARTMENT—ELECTRICAL DIVISION.

297	\$2,800 00	\$300 00
360	2,800 00	500 00

HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

222	\$4,000 00	\$400 00
230	30,000 00	—
260	15,000 00	5,000 00
270	2,600 00	600 00
281	3,500 00	1,000 00
282	12,000 00	1,000 00
297	2,000 00	1,000 00
299	2,000 00	500 00
300	1,400 00	200 00
310	300 00	200 00
330	15,000 00	1,000 00
340	4,425 00	300 00
360	17,500 00	2,500 00
391	900 00	200 00
393	2,500 00	500 00
394	450 00	—
560	1,600 00	600 00
593	180 00	1,500 00

HOSPITAL DEPARTMENT.

230	\$55,000 00	\$20,000 00
260	190,000 00	40,000 00
270	130,000 00	30,000 00
293	27,000 00	10,000 00
299	10,000 00	1,500 00
300	4,500 00	500 00
310	50,000 00	10,000 00
330	220,000 00	8,000 00
340	205,000 00	15,000 00
360	78,000 00	5,000 00
370	1,000 00	500 00
394	10,000 00	—
395	7,500 00	1,000 00
399	3,500 00	1,400 00
420	3,700 00	750 00
470	7,000 00	500 00
510	76,600 00	13,000 00
540	60,000 00	20,000 00
550	100,000 00	20,000 00
560	25,000 00	5,000 00
594	12,000 00	4,000 00
593	1,450 00	450 00

HOSPITAL DEPARTMENT—SANATORIUM DIVISION.

Item No.	Allowed by Mayor.	Councillor's Proposed Cut.
230	\$11,600 00	\$5,000 00
260	75,000 00	5,000 00
270	10,000 00	500 00
299	4,450 00	450 00
310	4,000 00	500 00
340	32,000 00	2,000 00
360	4,000 00	800 00
510	9,710 00	510 00
540	7,500 00	1,000 00
560	2,600 00	360 00
594	1,200 00	500 00
599	1,750 00	1,000 00

INSTITUTIONS DEPARTMENT—CENTRAL OFFICE.

270	\$500 00	\$100 00
300	360 00	—
360	1,500 00	260 00
500	2,500 00	2,500 00

LAW DEPARTMENT.

210	\$5,000 00	\$500 00
230	95,000 00	45,000 00
240	20,000 00	5,000 00
270	800 00	500 00
282	7,000 00	4,000 00
292	6,000 00	1,000 00
297	3,500 00	2,500 00
300	450 00	350 00
360	6,700 00	1,050 00
560	500 00	200 00

WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION SERVICE.

360	\$650 00	\$110 00
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LIBRARY DEPARTMENT.

210	\$11,600 00	\$705 26
230	8,000 00	7,000 00
260	250,000 00	125,000 00
282	1,800 00	300 00
293	4,400 00	400 00
299	3,500 00	2,000 00
330	14,000 00	2,700 00
360	20,000 00	1,000 00
392	245,000 00	100,000 00
399	19,000 00	4,000 00
560	25,000 00	10,000 00
593	50,000 00	15,000 00

LICENSING DEPARTMENT.

230	\$2,500 00	\$1,000 00
360	5,400 00	1,000 00

CONVENTIONS AND DISTINGUISHED GUESTS.

\$75,560 00	\$12,000 00
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CARE OF VETERANS' GRAVES.

360	\$400 00	\$50 00
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PARK DEPARTMENT.

230	\$1,800 00	\$1,000 00
260	130,000 00	22,000 00
270	20,000 00	1,500 00
297	800 00	200 00
299	70,000 00	2,000 00
300	22,000 00	1,000 00
310	34,000 00	4,000 00
330	70,000 00	2,000 00
340	45,000 00	3,000 00
360	8,000 00	1,200 00
391	65,000 00	5,000 00
393	6,000 00	1,000 00
394	3,000 00	300 00
470	15,000 00	3,500 00
500	21,000 00	3,500 00
560	525 00	375 00
570	24,000 00	19,000 00
23-19	135,000 00	25,000 00

PARK DEPARTMENT—CEMETERY DIVISION.

270	\$4,000 00	\$500 00
299	5,000 00	500 00
330	2,000 00	200 00
360	625 00	50 00
560	2,025 00	1,000 00
592	25,000 00	5,000 00

PUBLIC BUILDINGS.

Item No.	Allowed by Mayor.	Councillor's Proposed Cut.
260	\$120,000 00	\$40,000 00
330	45,000 00	3,000 00
560	18,000 00	3,000 00

MARKET DIVISION.

340	\$300 00	\$100 00
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PUBLIC WELFARE—CENTRAL OFFICE.

260	\$15,000 00	\$5,000 00
330	8,500 00	700 00
360	90,000 00	15,000 00
560	35,000 00	10,000 00

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT—AUTOMOTIVE DIVISION.

260	\$9,000 00	\$3,000 00
270	40,000 00	10,000 00
300	125,000 00	17,000 00
330	10,000 00	1,000 00
340	1,500 00	400 00
360	2,000 00	375 00
394	3,000 00	1,000 00
396	800 00	250 00
470	7,500 00	1,000 00
500	80,000 00	30,000 00
510	2,900 00	650 00
560	600 00	293 00
570	50,000 00	13,900 00

PUBLIC WORKS—BRIDGE SERVICE.

260	\$16,000 00	\$4,000 00
270	8,000 00	3,000 00
310	30,000 00	5,000 00
330	5,000 00	900 00
360	2,300 00	400 00
380	1,650 00	650 00
599	2,584 00	1,584 00
23-12	375,000 00	135,000 00

PUBLIC WORKS—FERRY SERVICE.

260	\$40,000 00	\$7,000 00
270	50,000 00	40,000 00
310	3,000 00	1,000 00
330	38,500 00	5,000 00
393	2,500 00	1,000 00
560	75 00	75 00

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT—LIGHTING SERVICE.

270	\$172,000 00	\$15,000 00
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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT—PAVING SERVICE.

260	\$7,000 00	\$1,000 00
270	1,500 00	500 00
330	5,500 00	500 00
360	5,500 00	900 00
380	100,000 00	11,500 00
23-14	196,000 00	93,000 00
23-15	101,000 00	15,000 00
23-16	157,500 00	—

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT—SANITARY SERVICE.

260	\$22,000 00	\$11,000 00
270	12,000 00	1,500 00
291	1,900 00	900 00
300	9,000 00	1,000 00
310	7,000 00	1,000 00
360	2,500 00	450 00
510	5,000 00	3,000 00
560	2,000 00	500 00
570	6,400 00	3,000 00

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT—SEWER DIVISION.

260	\$70,000 00	\$20,000 00
270	11,000 00	7,900 00
360	3,500 00	560 00

REGISTRY DEPARTMENT.

297	\$5,400 00	\$200 00
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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' SERVICES.

270	\$500 00	\$150 00
360	6,500 00	700 00
560	646 00	111 00
593	200 00	100 00

STATISTICS DEPARTMENT.

Item No.	Allowed by Mayor.	Councillor's Proposed Cut.
360	\$175 00	\$75 00

STREET LAYING-OUT DEPARTMENT.

360	\$3,800 00	\$600 00
399	2,300 00	200 00
560	600 00	200 00
593	150 00	50 00

SUPPLY DEPARTMENT.

270	\$400 00	\$200 00
300	300 00	250 00
360	7,000 00	800 00

TREASURY DEPARTMENT.

270	\$300 00	\$100 00
360	12,000 00	700 00
560	6,896 00	4,760 00

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES DEPARTMENT.

270	\$1,300 00	\$300 00
300	1,300 00	300 00
360	900 00	200 00
395	200 00	100 00
500	2,600 00	1,300 00

BOARD OF REAL ESTATE COMMISSIONERS.

224	\$500 00	\$200 00
230	50 00	50 00
360	850 00	350 00
593	150 00	50 00

CITY RECORD.

Item No.	Allowed by Mayor.	Committee's Proposed Cut.
297	\$41,800 00	\$2,200 00

INCOME DEPARTMENTS.

PRINTING DEPARTMENT.

270	\$3,600 00	\$1,500 00
293	1,000 00	400 00
298	160,000 00	12,000 00
360	220,100 00	44,000 00
593	125 00	75 00

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT—WATER SERVICE.

260	\$475,000 00	\$50,000 00
270	75,000 00	25,000 00
300	20,000 00	1,400 00
330	4,500 00	400 00
360	9,000 00	1,500 00
380	260,000 00	25,000 00
500	22,000 00	10,000 00
510	18,756 00	18,756 00
570	100,000 00	25,000 00

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT—SUMNER TUNNEL.

Item No.	Allowed by Mayor.	Committee's Proposed Cut.
300	\$2,300 00	\$1,200 00
360	1,900 00	400 00
395	4,000 00	1,500 00
401	1,000 00	500 00
500	1,600 00	1,600 00
520	29,425 00	20,000 00
560	1,500 00	500 00
580	700 00	400 00

COLLECTING DEPARTMENT—WATER DIVISION.

360	\$17,000 00	\$300 00
593	336 00	150 00

COUNTY. COURT HOUSE CUSTODIAN.

260	\$34,839 00	\$14,000 00
270	1,550 00	350 00
330	32,000 00	2,000 00
360	300 00	60 00
393	900 00	300 00
540	450 00	200 00
560	6,000 00	2,000 00

COUNTY BUILDINGS.

260	\$25,000 00	\$5,000 00
270	1,500 00	700 00
360	150 00	50 00
560	1,500 00	500 00

JAIL.

260	\$7,500 00	\$3,500 00
270	1,500 00	500 00
281	900 00	500 00
299	1,800 00	400 00
310	10,000 00	5,000 00
320	46,000 00	5,000 00
330	13,000 00	3,000 00
340	9,000 00	2,000 00
360	1,700 00	300 00
510	3,965 00	3,965 00
540	4,001 00	1,851 00
560	600 00	200 00
599	5,800 00	5,800 00
28-11	13,000 00	3,000 00

CIVIL DEFENSE ACTIVITIES.

\$76,173 74	\$5,200 00
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POLICE DEPARTMENT.

260	\$49,000 00	\$9,000 00
270	59,000 00	750 00
295	40,000 00	1,650 00
299	12,000 00	1,400 00

Placed on file.

Adjourned at 1.03 A.M. on motion of Councillor Ahearn, to meet on Monday, April 7, 1952, 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 7, 1952.

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

The Reverend Joseph E. Ryan of St. Mary's Catholic Church, Charlestown, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY REV. JOSEPH E. RYAN.

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost, Amen.

Let us pray, Direct, O Lord, our actions by Thy holy inspiration that they may always begin from Thee and by Thee be happily ended. Come, Holy Ghost, fill the hearts of Thy faithful public servants with Thy divine inspiration and holy assistance. Grant that no evil path lead them from Thee nor evil partiality sway their decisions. Grant that justice tempered with pity be the rule of their deliberations, so that in their lives they may deserve the rewards that come to those who walk with Thee, and in the life to come may they attain an everlasting reward for deeds well done. Amen.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the flag.

Coun. AHEARN in the chair.

JURORS DRAWN.

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

Forty-one traverse jurors, Superior Criminal Court, to appear May 5, 1952:

Antonio Berinato, Ward 1; Frank S. Caggiano, Ward 1; Mario DeGregorio, Ward 1; Antonio Ricciardelli, Ward 1; Stephen Saviano, Ward 1; Frank Console, Ward 3; Domenic A. Dantone, Ward 3; Gaspare A. Peraceli, Ward 3; Leroy W. Atwater, Ward 4; Frank Brown, Ward 4; Foied C. Habbib, Ward 4; Earl C. Murphy, Ward 5; Frank Talkowski, Ward 7; Daniel J. Linchan, Ward 8; James Killoran, Ward 10; Freeman S. Ferris, Ward 11; Edward D. Murphy, Ward 11; James L. Ulrich, Ward 11; Anthony V. Veligor, Ward 11; Henry H. Fine, Ward 12; James T. Healy, Ward 12; William G. Owens, Ward 12; Gordon F. Ryder, Ward 12; Sidney Allen, Ward 14; Simon Goldberg, Ward 14; Seymour Greenbaum, Ward 14; Mark Margolske, Ward 14; Martin A. Cullen, Ward 15; Joseph A. Ferrari, Ward 15; Francis P. Harrington, Ward 15; Daniel E. O'Connell, Ward 15; Bertha Zarembo, Ward 15; Albyn J. Berzini, Ward 16; Dora H. Gregory, Ward 16; Harry C. Hannigan, Ward 17; Arthur K. A. Rohmann, Ward 20; George S. Laramy, Ward 21; Frederick K. Maling, Ward 21; Irene M. Martel, Ward 21; Clyde R. Ring, Ward 21; John C. Pigott, Ward 22.

One hundred thirty-eight traverse jurors, Superior Civil Court, to appear May 5, 1952:

Edgar Ahearn, Ward 1; Cosmo Cafano, Ward 1; Mary E. Dolan, Ward 1; Rose Grasso, Ward 1; Peter J. Hart, Ward 1; Ralph Imbriano, Ward 1; Biagio Lanza, Ward 1; Charles J. Malacaso, Ward 1; Andrew Mini, Ward 1; Anthony J. Marotta, Ward 2; William L. Meade, Ward 2; Joseph M. DeRosa, Ward 3; James E. Doherty, Ward 3; Lawrence J. Fraher, Ward 3; Herbert Hewitt, Ward 3; Harry Ponn, Ward 3; Joseph Sardone, Ward 3; Irving J. Kahn, Ward 4; Michael F. Mungillo, Ward 4; Martin P. Sherlock, Ward 4; Celestino Bonaccorsi, Ward 5; Philip G. Bronstein, Ward 5; Robert A. Edson, Ward 5; Jessie M. Harris, Ward 5; John J. Kellther, Ward 5;

Martin Cummings, Ward 6; Alfred C. Fannon, Ward 6; Charles J. Haskins, Ward 6; Thomas F. McCauley, Ward 6; Neil A. Munro, Ward 6; William Buccella, Ward 7; Francis R. Darche, Ward 7; George T. Larson, Ward 7; Francis II. Leary, Ward 7; Louis A. Magaldi, Ward 7; Joseph McGahan, Ward 7; Bartholomew J. Nee, Ward 7; John J. O'Donnell, Ward 7; Louis Solari, Ward 8; Charles Theodore, Ward 8; Richard E. Williams, Ward 8; Joseph G. Fisher, Ward 9; Daisy Hamilton, Ward 9; Roger W. Homer, Ward 9; Florence McShane, Ward 9; Charles E. Moore, Ward 9; Dorothy M. Reardon, Ward 9; Moses M. Smith, Ward 9; Frank W. Anderson, Ward 10; Frank Canisius, Ward 10; Esther C. Lilly, Ward 10; William McAuley, Ward 10; Bernard Shapiro, Ward 10; Frederick Conrad, Ward 11; George Devereaux, Ward 11; Raymond R. Dunphy, Ward 11; John W. Cates, Ward 11; George J. Hargraves, Ward 11; Peter M. Jefson, Ward 11; Alfred Leitner, Ward 11; Anton Lindner, Ward 11; Samuel D. Piper, Ward 11.

Samuel C. Baker, Ward 12; Lew Blaustein, Ward 12; Henry W. Brooks, Sr., Ward 12; Harry I. Cutler, Ward 12; Levi A. Dunivan, Ward 12; Albert R. Ford, Ward 12; Ralph Lawrence, Ward 12; Sumner Paisner, Ward 12; Solomon Wexler, Ward 12; John L. Brown, Ward 13; Walter E. George, Ward 13; Ferdinand F. Losocco, Ward 13; Daniel Francis Marshall, Ward 13; Lawrence J. Noel, Ward 13; John S. Siraousa, Ward 13; David H. Beccoff, Ward 14; Nathan S. Dressler, Ward 14; Anna E. Elman, Ward 14; Arnold Glass, Ward 14; George Glassberg, Ward 14; Francis J. Lyons, Ward 14; Samuel L. MacHott, Ward 14; Max Maltz, Ward 14; Joseph G. McGilvray, Ward 14; Solomon Post, Ward 14; Louis Ratner, Ward 14; Harry Robbins, Ward 14; Frank Ronkin, Ward 14; Nathan Rosenblum, Ward 14; Louis E. Rosenthal, Ward 14; Hyman Solik, Ward 14; Max Shifer, Ward 14; Harry Simons, Ward 14; Marie A. Gorman, Ward 15; John F. Kernan, Ward 15; Katherine M. Sheehy, Ward 15; John J. Bennett, Ward 16; Mary F. Bonang, Ward 16; Richard H. Follett, Ward 16; Robert F. Greene, Ward 16; Anthony J. McLaughlin, Ward 16; Timothy J. Minahan, Ward 16; Harry Muzyka, Ward 16; Edward W. Callahan, Ward 17; Anne A. Coleman, Ward 17; Joseph James Handrahan, Ward 17; Edward R. Lindenmann, Ward 17; Russell E. Marsters, Ward 17; Harold S. Good, Ward 18; William G. Kendrick, Ward 18; Charles A. Lambrecht, Jr., Ward 18; Philip A. Martino, Ward 18; Henry C. McCray, Ward 18; Wilbert St. Amour, Ward 18; Nathan Starr, Ward 18; Leo F. Bilodeau, Ward 19; Harold I. Fichter, Ward 19; Frank W. Aston, Ward 20; Mary E. Barry, Ward 20; Carl G. Gebhardt, Ward 20; Herbert M. Goodwin, Ward 20; Leonard G. Healy, Ward 20; Philip D. MaeAskill, Ward 20; Catherine P. McLaughlin, Ward 20; William M. Smythe, Ward 20; John L. Stebbins, Ward 20; Robert M. Sullivan, Ward 20; Francis E. Beckstrom, Ward 21; Leo A. Jones, Ward 21; William J. McHenry, Ward 21; John J. Morris, Ward 21; Abram Pratiner, Ward 21; Edson W. Trumbull, Ward 21; Harold R. Jennette, Ward 22; John T. Loughlin, Ward 22; David J. Murphy, Ward 22.

TRANSFER OF LAND ON DOUGLASS COURT TO PARK DEPARTMENT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 7, 1952.
To the Honorable the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication received from Frank R. Kelley, Chairman, Board of Park Commissioners, requesting the transfer of approximately 1,280 square feet of tax title property situated at 4 and 5 Douglass court, Boston Proper, to the Park Department, for playground purposes.

At a meeting of the Committee on Foreclosed Real Estate of the Board of Real Estate Commissioners, the transfer of this land to the Park Department was approved.

I transmit herewith an order whereby 1,280 square feet of land located at 4 and 5 Douglass court, in Boston, may be transferred to the Park Department, for playground purposes.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor

City of Boston,
Park Department, March 31, 1952.
Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

Under date of February 19, 1952, the Board of Real Estate Commissioners voted as follows:

"To transfer the city-owned parcels of land located at Nos. 4 and 5 Douglass court, Boston, containing 1,280 square feet, from the care, custody and control of the Board of Real Estate Commissioners, to the Park Department, for playground purposes."

At a meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners held on February 6, 1952, it was voted to request the Board of Real Estate Commissioners to arrange for the transfer of the above-described parcels of land to the Park Department.

Accordingly, it is now respectfully requested that you arrange to draw the necessary City Council order transferring the custody of this land from the Real Estate Commissioners to the custody of the Park Department.

Upon notice of favorable action by the City Council, we will develop the land as a small children's play area.

Respectfully yours,
FRANK R. KELLEY, Chairman.

Whereas, By a decree of the Land Court, Suffolk Registry District, dated April 29, 1941, the City of Boston foreclosed a right of redemption under a tax deed recorded with Suffolk Deeds, Book 5742, page 29, on about 640 square feet of land on the easterly side of Douglass court, at end, numbered four (4) in the numbering of said Douglass court; and

Whereas, The City of Boston, by a decree of the Land Court, Suffolk Registry District, dated June 7, 1940, foreclosed a right of redemption under a tax deed recorded with Suffolk Deeds, Book 5547, page 64, on about 640 square feet of land on the northerly side of Douglass court, numbered five (5) in the numbering of said Douglass court; and

Whereas, The Board of Real Estate Commissioners has voted to assent to the transfer of the above-described parcels of foreclosed properties to the Park Department; now, therefore, it is hereby

Ordered, That the above-described parcels of land be 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 Park Department, for playground purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

REVISION OF FEES FOR CERTAIN
LICENSES.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 7, 1952.
To the City Council,
Gentlemen:

I submit herewith proposed amendments in the schedule of licenses and permit fees now set forth in section 22 of chapter 41 of the Revised Ordinances of 1947. These amendments relate to licenses issued by the Licensing Board and Police Department, and are being submitted on the recommendation of the heads of these departments. The particular licenses involved and the changes proposed are indicated in the following table:

TYPE OF LICENSE.	Present Fee.	Proposed Fee.
Junk collectors.....	\$12	\$15
Junk shop keeper.....	52	75
Second-hand articles.....	22	30
Lodging house:		
Minimum, 9 rooms or less.....	2	5
10 to 19 rooms, inclusive.....	2	10
20 or more rooms.....	2	25
Common victualler.....	10	15
Club victualler.....	10	15
Sunday sales.....	6	10
Soft drinks.....	3	5
Firearms, sale of.....	5	10

I am submitting these proposed changes in advance of those relating to other city departments because the renewal date for the seven licenses

involved is May first. This means that unless the proposed changes are adopted and made effective before that date the city will not gain in the current year the advantage of the increased revenue, estimated at roughly fifty thousand dollars, which will accrue from the adoption of the proposed changes. I therefore recommend prompt consideration by your Honorable Body of this ordinance amendment and trust that you will vote to approve the proposed changes on or before the effective date provided.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
In the Year Nineteen Hundred and Fifty-two.
An Ordinance.

Be it ordained by the City Council of Boston, as follows:

CHAPTER 41.
CONCERNING REVISING CERTAIN FEES.

SECTION 1. Section 22 of chapter 41 of the Revised Ordinances of 1947, as most recently amended by chapter 5 of the Ordinances of 1950, is hereby further amended as follows:

In clause 7, relative to common victuallers' licenses, line 3, by striking out \$10 and inserting \$15.

In clause 15, relative to Sunday sales, by striking out \$6 and inserting \$10.

In clause 16, relative to soft drinks, by striking out \$3 and inserting \$5.

In clause 17, striking out said clause and inserting the following: 17. Victualler, club, \$15 per annum.

SECT. 2. Said section 22, as so amended, is hereby further amended as follows:

By adding after clause 27 the following clauses:

28. Lodging houses—minimum (9 or less rooms), \$5 per annum; 10 to 19 rooms, inclusive, \$10 per annum; 20 or more rooms, \$25 per annum.

29. Firearms, sale of, \$10 per annum.

30. Junk collectors, \$15 per annum.

31. Junk shop keeper, \$75 per annum.

32. Second-hand articles, \$30 per annum.

SECT. 3. This ordinance shall take effect beginning with the first day of May, 1952.

Referred to the Committee on Ordinances.

TRANSFER OF LAND ON DOVER STREET
TO PARK DEPARTMENT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 7, 1952.
To the Honorable the City Council,
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith an order transferring a parcel of land containing approximately 2,360 square feet situated on the southwesterly side of Dover street, Boston Proper, from the care, custody, control and management of the Fire Department to the care, custody, control and management of the Park Department.

This parcel was originally acquired by the City of Boston through the foreclosure of the right of redemption under a tax deed and was transferred by order of the City Council dated September 21, 1942, from the Custodian, Foreclosed Real Estate Division, to the custody of the Fire Department in connection with the later department's use of the fire headquarters building at Bristol street. The construction of the new fire headquarters at Massachusetts avenue has rendered this parcel of land useless for Fire Department purposes.

The Park Department desires to acquire this parcel for the purpose of constructing a boiler plant for supplying steam and hot water to the Dover Street baths. At the present time, steam is being furnished to the Dover Street baths from a boiler located within the old Fire Department Headquarters at Bristol street. The construction by the Park Department of its own boiler plant will facilitate the disposition of the old fire headquarters building recently transferred to the care, custody, control and management of the Chairman, Board of Real Estate Commissioners.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Fire Department, February 25, 1952.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I respectfully request that your Honorable Body arrange to have the land fronting on Dover street, formerly used by the Fire Department as parking space, transferred to the care, custody, control and management of the Real Estate Commission of the City of Boston, inasmuch as the land is no longer required for Fire Department purposes.

The land comprises about 2,360 square feet on the southwesterly side of Dover street, bounded and described as follows:

Northwesterly by an estate, now or formerly of John T. Hosford (unnumbered); northeasterly by Dover street; southeasterly by an estate now or formerly of the City of Boston (249 Dover street), and southwesterly by a passageway.

It is my understanding that the Park Department desires to obtain control and custody of this land in order that they may construct a boiler plant for supplying steam and hot water to the Dover Street bathhouse and laundry, the land being adjacent to the Park Department building.

The lot of land was originally transferred to the Fire Department from the Real Estate Commission by City Council order passed September 21, 1942, and approved by the then Mayor on September 24, 1942.

Respectfully yours,

MICHAEL T. KELLEHER,
Fire Commissioner.

Whereas, The City of Boston by a decree of the Land Court, Suffolk Registry District, dated August 11, 1942, foreclosed a right of redemption under a tax deed recorded with Suffolk Deeds, Book 5809, page 115, on about twenty-three hundred sixty (2,360) square feet of land on the southwesterly side of Dover street, bounded and described as follows: Northwesterly by an estate now or formerly of John T. Hosford (unnumbered); northeasterly by Dover street; southeasterly by an estate now or formerly of City of Boston (numbered 249 Dover street), and southwesterly by a passageway; and

Whereas, By an order of the City Council passed September 21, 1942, the above-described parcel of land was transferred from the care, custody, control and management of the Custodian, Foreclosed Real Estate Division, to the care, custody, control and management of the Fire Department of the City of Boston; and

Whereas, The said parcel of foreclosed tax title property is no longer required for Fire Department purposes; and

Whereas, The Board of Park Commissioners of the City of Boston is desirous of using the said premises for Park Department purposes; now, therefore, it is hereby

Ordered, That the said parcel of foreclosed tax title property be, and it hereby is, 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 City of Boston for Park Department purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

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

Claims.

Michael Affanato, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect in Broadway Bridge.

Percy W. Blackadar, to be reimbursed as result of accident with occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Sanitary Division.

Joseph R. Buxton, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at Friend and Causeway streets.

Agnes Campbell, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 240 Devonshire street.

Roy E. Cummings, for compensation for damage to car by fire truck.

Julia M. DeBiasi, for compensation for damage to plumbing at 147 and 149 Kittredge street.

Daria Dellabella, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 257 Huntington avenue.

Daniel Desmond, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of School Committee.

Thomas J. Doyle, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Highway Division.

Paul L. Gallagher, for compensation for damage to property at 43 Eastwood Circuit, West Roxbury, during street construction.

Arthur J. Grimley, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Street Cleaning Division.

James F. Hennessey, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 17 Barry street, Hyde Park.

John F. McDonald, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Highway Division.

William J. Newton, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

William Quigg, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Street Cleaning Division.

Regal Shoe Store, No. 205, Inc., for compensation for damage to property at 68 Summer street, caused by stone thrown from street by passing car.

Anthony F. Suva, for compensation for damage to property at 123 Manthorne road, West Roxbury, caused by collapse of sewer.

U. S. Post Office, for compensation for damage to truck by city car.

Lewis F. Wall, for compensation for loss of false teeth while patient at City Hospital.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMISSION ON APPROPRIATIONS AND TAX ORDERS FOR 1952.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Finance Commission, April 1, 1952.

The Honorable the City Council.

Gentlemen:

The Finance Commission desires to express its views on the annual budget which is now before your Committee on Appropriations, and to suggest a course of action for the Council to follow in regard to it.

Undoubtedly, many of the items can be reduced without impairment of legitimate services; but, except for a few instances, very little information came out of the recent hearings held by the Committee on Appropriations which can serve as a basis for other than arbitrary reduction. Such reduction as may now be made must be based principally on the reasoning that total maintenance requirements have already gone so high that a beginning toward establishing a lower level of expenditure must be made somewhere and somehow; and now is an appropriate time. At any time the basis of any budget must be the services which the city is willing to provide.

It is the observation of Finance Commission representatives who attended the recent hearings on the budget that the present Council realizes more than any other in recent years the part it has a right to play in determination of the services to be rendered and how to provide for them. However, for the proper exercise of that right, an entirely new budget production procedure must be developed. The Council must be given more time and more facilities for the study of the budget.

Actually, today the Council gets its first glimpse of the new budget only after the Budget Commissioner, with frequent conferences with the Mayor, has worked upon it for approximately five months. Submission of it to the Council is at the last minute allowed by law, the first Monday in February. This lateness in the submission of the budget is an insurmountable obstacle to sound determination of the needs by the Council. There just is not time enough between the submission date and the date on which the budget must be passed (first Monday in April) for a proper study of it by the Council. Although your Committee on Appropriations has worked on this year's budget morning and afternoon for the best part of six weeks, it was only able in that length of time to bring formally before the Committee the representatives of thirty-four city agencies and almost as many more county agencies and to ask such questions as occurred to the members in regard to the items of expenditure proposed. The reports on each department in the Over-all Administrative Survey authorized by 1948 legis-

lation furnished the basis for a great many of those questions. The Council would have had little reliable information otherwise on which to base inquiry.

Yet, under the present law the City Council shares full responsibility with the Mayor in the determination of the spending program. In fact, in only one respect has the Mayor greater authority: he alone can initiate appropriations, and though the City Charter contains a bar to the Council increasing an appropriation, nevertheless favorable Council action is a necessity if the Mayor is to be given the funds he wants for services. The importance of the Council, therefore, in shaping the service policy of the city cannot be overestimated.

Furthermore, Boston does not conclude its budget making at this time. If the budget now before the Council becomes operative with or without Council approval in early April, another budget or other budget messages are sure to follow until the tax rate is determined on or about June 15. More than five months of the spending year are then gone.

The first point, therefore, the Finance Commission desires to make as a result of its observation of the procedure, not only this year but in other years, is that if a scientific job of determining a budget is to be done, either the recommendation of the Finance Commission Survey Report that the fiscal year be changed to begin on July 1 with attendant necessary date-fixing of preparatory steps, or all of the work in connection with the preparation of the budget and the submission of it to the City Council must be advanced several months. Under either circumstance the Council will have sufficient time for study of it.

There are other changes needed in the procedure, if the Council is to assume all the authority which the law gives it. Until, and including, this year the Budget Commissioner has received the estimates of appropriation needs as prepared by each department head well in advance of the beginning of the year. He holds conferences from time to time with the Mayor and the department heads in regard to them. Eventually, he will adopt as his allowances figures which are considerably less in most instances than the department heads estimated. In determination of these allowances, the Budget Commissioner must usually be arbitrary, but is guided by the expenditure experience of the previous year. His arbitrary decision of a reduction is usually made without having anything definitely in mind except that he must reduce the requests. Often when the department head appears to answer to the Council Committee on his proposed budget, he has no knowledge of exactly what the Budget Commissioner had in mind in reducing the item. Nor does the department head know at that time how he will adjust his presupposed needs to conform to the Budget Commissioner's allowances.

It is the emphatic belief of the Finance Commission that the Council, or a committee of it, should participate at an earlier stage in the proceedings by sitting with the Budget Commissioner to consider the original estimates. The purpose served here is that the Council members may thus learn without the protracted questioning after the budget comes before the Council exactly what each department head had in mind when he arrived at his estimated needs, and may be able to assert their own convictions seasonably.

It has been noticeable in the 1952 budget hearings that the Budget Commissioner, who alone knows the reasons for the allowances by the Mayor, has been present at many of the hearings but has rarely been asked to give information. Yet the budget as submitted to the Council has in reality been his achievement.

Specifically, the calendar of the Council with respect to the budget should run as follows. The Council, or Committee, should confer with the Budget Commissioner upon receipt of the departmental estimates; for he is the municipal officer who has conferred with each department head to ascertain his needs and provide for them. Where discrepancy exists between the demands of the department head and the amount allowed by the Budget Commissioner, such a fact and the reasons for it become known to the Council. Moreover, when the respective department heads appear before the Committee charged with examining the budget, the Council members will have been briefed in the operation and program of the department, its needs and demands. Conclusions based on such enlightened premises will be sound and not arbitrary.

Recommendations found in that section of the Administrative Survey Report, sponsored by the Finance Commission, entitled "Financial Administration" contemplate a revamping of the budgetary process which will make it a more effective instrument and bring the City Council more prominently into the budgetary picture. These recommendations taken together with the recommendations for departmental reorganization advanced in the Administrative Survey, in addition to many observations made in the course of the recent budget hearings, hold great promise in application to the 1953 budget.

The 1952 budget hearings made clear the fact that substantial savings, although indeterminate so far as a predictable dollar value is concerned, would flow from the adoption of certain administrative practices. In the case of such budget items as Item 260, "Repairs and Maintenance of Buildings and Structures," by extending the basis of contractual work horizontally through as many departments as possible, instead of contracting by individual departments, a broader base for bidding with subsequent savings may be anticipated. Such departments as the Public Buildings Department, Park Department, and others in which building maintenance is a factor, would be amenable to this grouping, but exactly how this practice would change the 1952 expenditure is now impossible to forecast.

Similarly, as in the case of the "Supplies and Materials" item, spreading the bidding base through all departments purchasing a given commodity should also result in savings. As was brought out during the budget hearing, this move must be attended by an estimate of the needs of a department based on use experience, with supplies controlled by a system of perpetual inventory control. Some departments already have a satisfactory system of inventory control, others have not.

In the case of "Equipment," the same recommendation holds. For many years the Finance Commission has urged a perpetual inventory control over municipally owned equipment, wherever located, for the purposes of minimizing additional purchases, encouragement of interdepartmental transfer, prevention of loss, and securing optimum price in purchasing.

The item, "Personal Services," which is the largest single item in the budget, invites certain observations. A very definite recommendation can be made in the case of constables, a recommendation voiced repeatedly by the Finance Commission to the effect that the present number can be greatly reduced without impairing public service. In the case of the many vacancies existing in many departments, approximately 100 in the Public Works Department, many could be left vacant without seriously impairing the present level of service.

At this point in the discussion it should be emphasized that the proper size of staff, or "Quota," as it is known, cannot be satisfactorily established until staffs are reorganized according to the consolidated pattern recommended in the Final Report of the Administrative Survey by the Finance Commission. Attention is called to the number employed on a provisional basis; a reduction in this class of employees should be considered. According to the Administrative Survey, several departments are overmanned. In general, no additions to the present departmental staffs should be permitted until and unless such personnel increases square with the recommendations of the Administrative Survey of the respective departments. The observation applicable to the 1953 budget is that immediate progress be undertaken on plans for reorganization and consolidation of departments to secure the proper minimum staff needed.

In 1951 the departments failed to expend their full appropriations to the extent of approximately \$1,407,404. Having at this time so little reliable information on which to base scientific reduction of the budget, but reasoning from this evidence that the total appropriation for 1951 was more than ample, it is suggested that the 1952 figure be cut back to the amount which was appropriated for 1951, excepting the increase in the item of personal service which is of mandatory character. The latter item includes an amount of \$1,600,000 for the general increase in salary adjustment, \$800,000 for the police force salary increases, \$600,000 for the fire force salary increases, \$150,000 for the additional amount necessary to provide funds for the extra day occasioned by

leap year, \$70,000 necessary to provide manning polling places, and \$186,000 to provide for overtime for policemen and firemen. These increases in the item for personal service total \$3,406,000; subtracting this amount from the total increase in 1952 allowances over 1951 appropriations of \$5,453,938 leaves a balance of \$2,047,938 by which 1952 allowances might be reduced.

It is significant that the current City Council has gone much further than previous councils in analyzing departmental estimates and in requiring demonstration of need to support such estimates. In most cases, this more searching analysis was new and unexpected to departmental officials and they were not prepared to support their estimates with adequate and detailed data of work programs and work loads in terms of personal service, supplies, equipment and contracts. The department officials know now the kind of data desired by the Council Committee.

CONCLUSIONS.

The underlying conviction of the Finance Commission in this report is that city services can be operated at a lower cost than the budget allowances contemplate. Apart from mandatory increases found in the items of personal services, departments ought to be able generally to live within the limits of the 1951 appropriation.

The Commission believes that a department head should be forced by the circumstances of a necessary curtailment in appropriations to devise ways and means of operating his department at less cost. In effect, the Commission is recommending that the Council set an appropriation limit for city maintenance, a right conferred upon it by the City Charter. This viewpoint may appear to place a heavy burden on department heads to display extraordinary resourcefulness, but the circumstances of the city's finances dictate such a policy.

Therefore, the Commission believes that the Council should start with the amount appropriated in 1951, as a point of departure, adding to that figure the mandatory personnel increases, which amount to some \$3,406,000. Inasmuch as there was an unexpended balance of \$1,407,404 in 1951, the city should be able to provide for other mandatory increases in 1952 within the limits of this balance and still provide the 1951 level of municipal service. This would mean a reduction of \$2,047,938 in the total of the budget as recommended by the Mayor.

The Commission feels that the Council's greatest opportunity for devising a minimum budget will come in 1953, by which time it is hoped the following steps will have been taken:

1. Adoption of the plan of consolidation and reorganization of municipal departments as recommended in the Final Report of the Administrative Survey, and use of the new structure as the basis for determining budget requirements.

2. Preparation by departments of those statistics of work program, work load, and unit costs on which to base budgetary estimates.

The Commission further believes that if the budget document is to achieve its full potentiality and the Council provided with sufficient opportunity to participate effectively in the budgetary process, either the fiscal year must be changed to a July 1-June 30 basis, as described in that section of the Administrative Survey entitled "Financial Administration," or the time for submission of the budget to the Council must be advanced substantially.

The increase in Personal Services in the 1952 allowances of \$3,406,000 has already been acknowledged as mandatory. Some of the other items of increase, in the categories of contractual services, supplies and materials, and equipment may be open to question.

For example, \$195,000 is allowed to cover the "increase in cost of food in hospitals and institutions." This would mean an increase of 9 per cent over the cost of food in 1951; yet food prices have started to drop and are expected to continue this trend, according to market analysts. Moreover, the average patient load at the Sanatorium and at Long Island is approximately the same as it was in 1951, and the increase at Boston City Hospital is less than 5 per cent.

A total increase of \$220,000 over 1951 is allowed the Library for the purchase of books and preparation for the centennial celebration. The Library, however, has already developed its system to an extent which is beyond the needs of the city itself, and any further expansion in any area of this

system should not be made until state or metropolitan aid is forthcoming. There is already a movement on foot to place before the Legislature a plan for state aid for this and other municipal libraries. In view of the present tax situation, further expansion should await the adoption of such a plan.

Such items as the \$110,000 for increased automotive equipment and the \$50,000 for the "general increase in cost for the ordinary supplies and materials for the various departments of the city" should be subject to careful scrutiny. The former figure should be measured against the recommendations with respect to automotive equipment in the several administrative survey reports. The latter figure is too vague for serious budgetary consideration.

The recommendations outlined above apply to the city budget, but the Finance Commission believes that the same policy should be applied to county and income department budgets. In the case of the county budget, allowances must be made for statutory increases.

Respectfully submitted,
 EDWARD F. MULLEN, Chairman,
 LEO J. DUNN,
 FREDERICK DEANE,
 JOSEPH K. COLLINS,
 EDWARD U. LEE,
 THE FINANCE COMMISSION.

ROBERT E. CUNIFF,
 Secretary.

Placed on file.

COMMUNICATION FROM CHAMBER OF COMMERCE RE APPROPRIATIONS AND TAX ORDERS, 1952.

Communication was received from the Boston Chamber of Commerce relative to the Appropriation and Tax Orders for the year 1952.

Placed on file.

APPROVAL OF CONSTABLE'S BOND.

The constable's bond of Eli Sternberg, having been duly approved by the City Treasurer, was received and approved.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR.

Notices were received from the Mayor of the following appointments:

Perlie Dyar Chase, 136 Huntington avenue, Boston, to be member of Board of Election Commissioners for term ending March 31, 1953, vice Everett R. Prout, deceased.

Huntington W. Frothingham, 280 Beacon street, to be principal assessor for term ending March 31, 1957.

David Lasker, 45 Supple road, Roxbury, to be member of Board of Election Commissioners for term ending March 31, 1956, vice J. Joseph Connors, term expired.

Severally placed on file.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LICENSES.

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

Report on petition of Boston American League Baseball Company (referred March 24) for license for Sunday sports at Fenway Park—recommending that license be granted.

Report on petition of National League Baseball Club of Boston, Inc. (referred March 24), for license for Sunday sports at Braves Field—recommending that license be granted.

Reports accepted, and said licenses granted under usual conditions.

APPROVAL OF BONDS.

The liability insurance policies of the Boston American League Baseball Company and the National League Baseball Club of Boston, Inc., were submitted and approved by the Council.

MODERN LIGHTING SYSTEM FOR ROXBURY SHOPPING DISTRICT.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:
Ordered, That the Street Lighting Division be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install the modern three-prong lighting system in the retail shopping district of Roxbury along Washington street from Eustis street to Dudley street.

Referred to the Committee on Public Services and Recreation.

LEGISLATION TO IMPROVE CITY'S ADMINISTRATIVE STRUCTURE.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:

Whereas, The City of Boston has spent large sums of money to employ expert counsel to analyze the administrative structure of the city government; and

Whereas, Said surveys have recommended reorganization and consolidation designed to facilitate the provision of services by the city and to enable more efficient and economical operation; and

Whereas, The City Council and the Mayor, under section 5 of the currently operative provisions of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909, as amended, may by ordinance reorganize, consolidate, or abolish, in whole or in part, departments, transfer the duties, powers and appropriations of one department to another, in whole or in part, and establish new departments; therefore, be it

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to appoint not more than three representatives and a member of the City Law Department to sit in joint conference with the Council's Committee on Ordinances to draft such legislation as in the opinion of this joint conference is required to bring to the City of Boston the most efficient and desirable administrative structure.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

STATIONERY AND OTHER OFFICE SUPPLIES.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:

City of Boston.

In the Year Nineteen Hundred and Fifty-two.

An Ordinance

Concerning Stationery and Other Office Supplies. Be it ordained by the City Council of Boston, as follows:

SECTON 1. Section sixteen of chapter 3 of the Revised Ordinances of 1947 is hereby amended by striking out the words "stationery, or other office supplies."

SECT. 2. Chapter 24 of the Revised Ordinances of 1947 is hereby amended by striking out in section one, four, and five, wherever they appear, the following words: "supplies," "stationery," and "stationery and other office supplies."

Referred to the Committee on Ordinances

PEDESTRIAN SIGNAL AT COLUMBIA ROAD AND ARION STREET.

Coun. KERRIGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to consider the advisability of the installation of a pedestrian signal light at Columbia road and Arion street, Dorchester.

Referred to the Committee on Public Services and Recreation.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC HOUSING.

Coun. AHEARN, for the Committee on Public Housing, submitted the following:

Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred February 25) for sale of city-owned land on Archdale road, Roslindale, to Boston Housing Authority—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was given its first reading and passage, yeas 9, nays 0:

Yeas—Councillors Ahearn, Foley, Hailer, Hurley, Joyce, Kerrigan, Piemonte, Ward, White—9.

Nays—0.
The order was assigned for fourteen days for final action.

RECESS.

On motion of Councillor Piemonte the Council voted at 3 P.M., to take a recess until 3.20 P.M. The members reassembled and were called to order by Chairman AHEARN at 3.20 P.M.

On a motion of Councillor White the Council voted at 3.21 P.M. to take a recess subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled and were called to order by Chairman AHEARN at 4.01 P.M.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

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

Report on petition of Ella Dunham (referred October 29, 1951) to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, Ariel H. Dunham, late member of the Police 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 \$1,500 be allowed and paid to Ella Dunham, widow of Ariel H. Dunham, a member of the Police Department who died on April 21, 1951, 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 Police Department, Pensions and Annuities.

Report on petition of Mary F. Dean (referred March 3) to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, Thomas A. Dean, 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 \$1,500 be allowed and paid to Mary F. Dean, widow of Thomas A. Dean, a member of the Fire Department who died on February 26, 1952, 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.

The reports were accepted, and the orders were severally passed.

2. Report on order (referred March 31) that the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested to name the square at Warren and Clifford streets, Roxbury, in honor of Frederick A. Dragone, Jr.—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC LANDS.

Coun. FOLEY, for the Committee on Public Lands, submitted the following:

Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred March 31) for sale of land on Blossom street to Massachusetts General Hospital—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was given its first reading and passage, yeas 8, nays 0:

Yeas—Councillors Ahearn, Foley, Hailer, Hurley, Kerrigan, Piemonte, Ward, White—8.

Nays—0.
The order was assigned for fourteen days for final action.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF FRANCIS L. ASPESI.

Coun. HAILER 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 intersection of Blue Hill avenue and Fremont

street, Mattapan, in honor of Francis L. Aspessi, sergeant in the Army Air Corps, who died in the service of his country on February 27, 1944.

The order was passed under suspension of the rules.

JURORS DRAWN.

Additional jurors were drawn in the manner prescribed by law, Councillor Hailer presiding at the box in the absence of the Mayor, viz.:

Eighty-nine traverse jurors, Superior Criminal Court, to appear April 22, 1952:

William Amero, Ward 1; John F. Connell, Ward 1; Julia Lanning, Ward 1; Rose M. Quattrocchi, Ward 1; Lee E. Johnson, Ward 2; John V. Kolley, Ward 2; Louis Costa, Ward 3; Wilfred Frenchie, Ward 3; Anna V. Napolitano, Ward 3; John Polcari, Ward 3; Paul J. Tibbetts, Ward 3; Arthur R. Redman, Ward 4; Grace H. Flynn, Ward 5; Ruth M. Snell, Ward 5; Henry W. Greene, Ward 6; Franklin E. Humphrey, Ward 6; James L. McLaughlin, Ward 6; John J. Condon, Ward 7; Charles P. Courtney, Ward 7; John Charles Dwyer, Jr., Ward 7; Leonard J. Heafey, Ward 7; Anna Birmingham, Ward 8; Guy A. Fofi, Ward 8; Mary Toomey, Ward 8; William L. Dixon, Ward 9; Harold T. Miller, Ward 9; Walter Braun, Ward 10; Robert E. Paul, Ward 10; Raymond Schuman, Ward 10; Michael B. Sienkiewicz, Ward 10; William J. Walsh, Ward 10; Timothy F. Collins, Ward 11; Charles J. Murray, Ward 11; Michael Quinn, Ward 11; Gerald E. Roffey, Ward 11; Max Baker, Ward 12; Henry E. Clark, Ward 12; Harold R. Coffin, Ward 12; Bertram T. Col-lard, Ward 12; David Karlin, Ward 12; Harve-y Maxwell, Ward 12; John W. McMahon, Ward 12; H. Preston Royal, Ward 12; John McLaughlin; Ward 13; Daniel C. O'Leary, Ward 13; John A. Quinn, Ward 13; Benjamin Bloom, Ward 14; Jacob Buckman, Ward 14; Edward Dolberg, Ward 14; Ida H. Frutkoff, Ward 14; Simon Gilman, Ward 14; Harold Jacobson, Ward 14; Harry Silver, Ward 14; Alfred L. Simmons, Ward 14; Bernard Dunlop, Ward 15; Gustaf G. Johnson, Ward 15; William J. Muse, Ward 15; Adna H. Armstrong, Ward 16; John H. Cook, Ward 16; Gordon Franklin, Ward 16; Louis L. Goodwin,

Ward 16; Glen Gordon MacNutt, Ward 16; John S. Russell, Ward 16; Mary C. Pirie, Ward 17; Arthur M. Quinn, Ward 17; William E. Shaw, Ward 17; Winfield W. Sparrow, Ward 17; Bernard J. Sullivan, Ward 17; Charles J. Dale, Ward 18; Perfer Fortin, Ward 18; Joseph Kowalski, Ward 18; William J. Langley, Ward 18; Joseph Pettenati, Ward 18; Richard F. Quigley, Ward 18; Nathan Silverstein, Ward 18; Walter P. Willden, Ward 18; John S. Ticuli, Ward 19; Robert J. Armitage, Ward 20; John J. Murphy, Ward 20; Albert J. Pizzano, Ward 20; Walter H. Rowell, Ward 20; Josephine F. Davidson, Ward 21; Victor W. Garvin, Ward 21; Bernard James McDermott, Ward 21; Joseph E. Emge, Ward 22; William M. Farrell, Ward 22; John J. Hankard, Ward 22; Carl A. Hendrickson, Ward 22; Albert L. McGeorge, Jr., Ward 22.

PERMANENT POSITIONS IN ELECTION DEPARTMENT.

Coun. WARD offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Election Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to assign to permanent positions in the Election Department those men whose names have been certified by the Department of Civil Service on a list which has been forwarded to the Election Department for assignment as permanent employees; and be it further

Ordered, That the positions of assistant registrar of voters be filled from the civil service list in the order of their standing.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

Adjourned at 4.22 p.m., on motion of Councillor Kerrigan, to meet on Monday, April 14, 1952, 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 14, 1952.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President PIEMONTE in the chair and all the members present.

The Reverend Joseph P. Mantle, of St. Theresa's Catholic Church, West Roxbury, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY REVEREND JOSEPH P. MANTLE.

O Almighty and Eternal God, in Whose Divine Providence we place our entire confidence and hope; Heavenly Father, Whose creatures we are and Whose servants we ever wish to remain; Omnipotent Benefactor of mankind, to Whom we must look for grace and courage to overcome the difficulties of life, upon Whom we must depend for all that we have and dare to maintain; O Gracious Giver of all good things, we, Thy servants, humbly ask Thy blessing on this Honorable Assembly, so that its deliberations may be in accordance with Thy Divine Law.

May their enactments be based on love for Thee, O Eternal God, and love for their fellow men; may their decrees be tempered with justice; may their laws redound to the common good.

Shower down Thy blessings in abundance, O Lord, upon these men whose duty it is to direct the activities of our beloved city. Grant that their generosity and devotion might shine out among men as a light to illumine the path of truth and righteousness. Through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

Coun. FOLEY in the chair.

LEGISLATION AUTHORIZING BORROWING FOR SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 14, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

The School Committee has filed with the Legislature a petition for authority to float a bond issue of \$15,000,000. These funds will be used for the purpose of constructing new schools and making major alterations and capital repairs to existing school buildings. Currently this petition is being held in the Rules Committee of the Legislature. Under the joint rules of the two branches of the Legislature, a petition of this character must be approved by the Mayor and City Council.

I am in receipt of a request from the School Committee to submit an order to your Honorable Body which, if adopted, may be taken as an indication of your willingness to have this petition considered by the Legislature. In accordance with this request, I submit herewith the attached resolve and respectfully recommend its adoption by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Resolved, That the City Council hereby approves the enactment of legislation authorizing the City of Boston to borrow for school construction purposes sums not exceeding in the aggregate fifteen million dollars and for such other, further or similar legislation, if any, as may be necessary or advisable to accomplish the purposes and objects referred to.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

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

Claims.

Edward J. Beckwith, for compensation for damage to eyeglasses while engaged in emergency work for Public Works Department.

John W. Daley, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Josephine Decrescentis, for compensation for injuries caused by police car.

Romilda Decrescentis, for compensation for injuries caused by police car.

Yvonne Decrescentis, for compensation for injuries caused by police car.

Albert Deitch, for compensation for damage to property by fire truck.

Josephine Dicato, for compensation for injuries caused by police car.

Maria Dicato, for compensation for injuries caused by police car.

Hugh F. Lynch, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him on account of his acts as employee of Fire Department.

Muriel MacPhee, for compensation for damages caused by an alleged defect in Kilmarnock street.

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

John Statho, for compensation for injuries caused by police car.

Charles F. Sullivan, for compensation for damage to property at 19 Spalding street, Jamaica Plain, caused by break in water main.

Frank J. Toner, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Paving Division.

Transportation Mutual Insurance Company, for compensation for injuries to passenger of taxicab which was struck by city truck.

Ann Vogel, for compensation for damage to clothing by being sprayed with water from city truck.

PETITIONS FOR ANNUITIES.

Petition of Mary T. Fleming, to be paid an annuity on account of death of her brother, John E. Fleming, late member of the Fire Department.

Petition of Elsie L. Sullivan, to be paid an annuity on account of the death of her husband, John J. Sullivan, late member of the Police Department.

Severally referred to the Committee on Claims.

APPOINTMENT OF JOSEPH E. SCANLON.

Notice was received from the Mayor of appointment of Joseph E. Scanlon, 137 Church street, West Roxbury, to be member of Board of Overseers of Public Welfare for term ending April 30, 1954, vice Spencer B. Montgomery, resigned.

Placed on file.

TRANSIENT VENDOR'S LICENSE.

Notice was received of the issuance by the City Clerk of a transient vendor's license to Florence McCollum for the sale of health foods at 30 Huntington avenue, Boston.

A bond of the Century Indemnity Company for \$500 was received.

Severally placed on file.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ORDINANCES.

Coun. WARD, for the Committee on Ordinances, submitted the following:

1. Report on message of Mayor and ordinance (referred April 7) revising certain fees—recommending reference of the ordinance to the Executive Committee.

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

2. Report on message of the Mayor and ordinance (referred February 18) re increase in tolls on East Boston Ferry—recommending reference of the ordinance to the Executive Committee.

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

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCE.

Coun. WARD, for the Committee on Appropriations and Finance, submitted the following:

1. Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred March 24) for loan of \$2,000,000 for construction of public ways—recommending reference of the order to the Executive Committee.

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

2. Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred March 31) for appropriation of \$161,236.59 for construction of bridges—recommending reference of the order to the Executive Committee.

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

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LICENSES.

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

Report on petition (referred February 11) of 20th Century Billiard Company for license to operate bowling alleys on the Lord's Day—recommending granting of license.

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

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS.

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

1. Report on petition of John M. Perry (referred March 24) to be reimbursed as result of an execution issued against him on account of his acts as an employee of the Bridge and Ferry Division, Public Works Department—recommending passage of accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of four hundred ninety dollars (\$490) be allowed and paid to John M. Perry, in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as an employee of the Bridge and Ferry Division, Public Works Department, said sum to be charged to the appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

2. Report on petition of John F. Petitti, Jr. (referred March 31), to be reimbursed as result of an 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 seventy dollars (\$70) be allowed and paid to John F. Petitti, Jr., 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 appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

The reports were accepted, and the orders were severally passed.

CERTAIN SALARIES TO BE FIXED BY ORDINANCE.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That chapter 212 of the Acts of 1952, entitled "An Act Providing That the City Council of the City of Boston, May, With the Approval of the Mayor, Fix Certain Salaries," be, and hereby is, accepted.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

PROPOSED INCINERATOR AT BARRY'S LEDGE, HYDE PARK.

Coun. FOLEY and HALLER offered the following:

Resolved, That the City Council of Boston is strongly opposed to the petition of the Metropolitan District Commission for the establishment of an incinerator at Barry's Ledge, in Hyde Park.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

PARK DEPARTMENT TO ORGANIZE LITTLE LEAGUE BASEBALL.

Coun. HALLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to set up

an Advisory Council for the purpose of organizing Little League baseball in the City of Boston.

Referred to the Committee on Public Services and Recreation.

PENSION TO JOHN F. CULLINAN.

Coun. WHITE offered the following:

Resolved, That the City Council of Boston favors the consideration by the Legislature of the petition now held under Joint Rule 7B providing for full pay to Detective Sergeant John F. Cullinan upon his retirement from the Police Department as a result of being seriously wounded by a bandit, provided that any such legislation enacted includes a referendum to the Mayor and City Council.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

RECESS.

On motion of Councillor Piemonte the Council voted at 2.44 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 Chairman FOLEY at 6.23 P.M.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

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

1. Report on resolution (referred today) opposing establishment of incinerator at Barry's Ledge, Hyde Park—recommending adoption of resolution in the following new draft:

Resolved, That the City Council of Boston, while favoring the construction of a system of incinerators by the Metropolitan District Commission, hereby expresses its desire that the incinerator now proposed to be constructed at Barry's Ledge, Hyde Park, be located at a more suitable site.

The report was accepted, and the resolution in the new draft was adopted.

2. Report on message of the Mayor and resolution (referred today) authorizing legislation for borrowing for school construction in an amount not exceeding \$15,000,000—recommending reference to the Committee on Legislative Matters.

The report was accepted, and the resolution was referred to the Committee on Legislative Matters.

3. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred today) appropriating \$161,236.59 for construction of bridges—recommending reference of the order to the Committee on Appropriations and Finance.

The report was accepted, and the order was referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Finance.

4. Report on order (referred today) accepting chapter 212 of the Acts of 1952 for fixing of salaries of certain officials—recommending reference of the order to the Committee on Ordinances.

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

5. Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred today) for loan of \$2,000,000 for construction of public ways—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted.

Coun. PIEMONTE moved that action on the order be postponed until such time as a public hearing is held on the matter. The motion was lost. The order was given its first reading and passage, yeas 8, nays 0.

Yeas—Councillors Ahearn, Foley, Hailer, Hurley, Joyce, Kerrigan, Ward, White—8.

Voting Present—Councillor Piemonte—1.

The order was assigned for 14 days for final action.

6. Report on message of the Mayor and ordinance (referred today) revising certain fees—recommending passage of the ordinance in the following new draft:

City of Boston.

In the Year Nineteen Hundred and Fifty-two. An Ordinance Concerning Revising Certain Fees. 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 most recently

amended by chapter 5 of the Ordinances of 1950, is hereby further amended as follows:

In clause 7, relative to common victuallers' licenses, line 3, by striking out \$10 and inserting \$15.

In clause 17, striking out said clause and inserting the following: 17. Victualler, club, \$15 per annum.

SECT. 2. Said section 22, as so amended, is hereby further amended as follows:

By adding after clause 27 the following clauses:

28. Lodging houses—minimum (9 or less rooms), \$5 per annum; 10 to 19 rooms, inclusive, \$10 per annum; 20 or more rooms, \$25 per annum.

29. Firearms, sale of, \$15 per annum.

30. Junk collectors, \$15 per annum.

31. Junk shop keeper, \$75 per annum.

32. Second-hand articles, \$30 per annum.

SECT. 3. This ordinance shall take effect beginning with the first day of May, 1952.

The report was accepted, and the ordinance as submitted by the Mayor was rejected and the ordinance in the new draft was passed.

7. Report on message of the Mayor and ordinance (referred today) re tolls on the East Boston Ferry—recommending passage of the ordinance in the following new draft:

City of Boston.

In the Year Nineteen Hundred and Fifty-two.

An Ordinance Concerning East Boston Ferry Tolls.

Be it ordained by the City Council of Boston, as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter 41 of the Revised Ordinances of 1947 is hereby amended by striking out section 24 and inserting in place thereof the following section:

Section 24. The tariff of tolls for passengers and vehicles upon the East Boston ferries is hereby established as follows:

Passengers.	
Foot passengers	\$0 01
Vehicles.	
One or more horse vehicle with driver	10
Motorcycle with operator	10
Passenger automobile with operator and with or without passengers	15
Passenger automobile with operator and trailer	15
Motor truck, not exceeding two tons, with operator	20
Motor truck, over two tons and not exceeding five tons, with operator	25
Motor truck, over five tons and not exceeding ten tons, with operator	35
Motor truck, over ten tons, with operator	70
Motor tractor with or without trailer, not exceeding two tons, with operator	20
Motor tractor with trailer, over two tons and not exceeding five tons, with operator	25
Motor tractor with trailer, over five tons and not exceeding ten tons, with operator	35
Motor tractor with trailer, over ten tons, with operator	1 00
Motor bus with operator and with or without passengers	70

Miscellaneous.

Handcart \$0 05

Funeral Processions.

Funeral processions shall pass free of tolls.

Fourth of July.

Foot passengers only will be given free transportation on ferries on Fourth of July.

SECT. 2. This ordinance shall take effect on May 1, 1952.

The report was accepted and the ordinance as submitted by the Mayor was rejected and the ordinance in the new draft was passed.

ERECTION OF INCINERATORS IN BOSTON.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:

Whereas, It appears that there is now pending in the Massachusetts Legislature a bill authorizing erection by the Metropolitan District Commission of at least one incinerator in the City of Boston; and

Whereas, The various studies have concluded that disposing of garbage by incinerators would result in great savings to Boston taxpayers

Whereas, It appears that the erection of an incinerator in Boston, unless properly planned, would cause irreparable damage to the citizens of Boston; now therefore be it

Resolved, that his Honor, the Mayor, request the Public Works Commissioner or his representative, the Chairman of the City Planning Board or his representative, and the Corporation Counsel or his representative to be present at any hearing held by the Legislature or any committee relative to the erection of incinerators; and be it further

Resolved, That they meet forthwith and from time to time to discuss plans, studies, and hold hearings to determine the site or sites suitable for the erection of incinerators and to make the necessary recommendations to the Legislature.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

COMMENDATION OF COUNCILLOR FOLEY.

Coun. WHITE, upon receiving unanimous consent to make a statement, commended the manner in which Councillor Foley, as Chairman, had conducted the business of the meeting.

Adjourned at 6.58 P.M., on motion of Councillor Joyce, to meet on Monday, April 21, 1952, 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 21, 1952.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President PIEMONTE in the chair, and all the members present.

The Reverend Bernard J. Keenan of St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church, Roxbury, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY REV. BERNARD
J. KEENAN.

"Sicut Patribus Sit Deus Nobis." We ask Thy blessing, O Almighty God, the Father, upon our city, whose motto gratefully acknowledges Thy favoring governance in days now past, and reverently affirms the hope of enduring always. "As you were to our fathers, so may you be to us."

In this confident recognition of Thy Providence we beseech Thee to bless again our city, to protect it, to prosper it, to unite in harmony its multiplying citizens, to preserve it in peace. "Unless the Lord keep the city, they watch in vain who keep it."

We ask this day Thy blessings upon our City Council. Help them and us to cherish and exemplify every virtue.

God of Justice, fortify by Thy grace their pledge of just and faithful stewardship. That they may rule in justice, grant to all whom they serve the spirit of a fair and heartening fealty.

God of Truth, illumine by Thy light the way in which they shall lead. And that they may steadfastly lead us aright, spare them the trial of beguilement by those whose too liberal tolerance would call evil good, and of disheartenment by those whose intolerance would call good evil.

God of Love, grant us all a constant growth in neighborly good will and mutual understanding. Thus, may our city, its rulers and people, first fulfil Thy law and so deserve a renewal of favors bestowed by Thee upon our fathers. We beg these blessings in the Name of Jesus Christ, Thy Son, with the prayer in which He taught us how to tell all our needs to Thee, the good, loving, and just God; Our Father Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us, and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. Amen.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

Coun. HAILER in the chair.

CONSTABLES CONNECTED WITH
OFFICIAL POSITIONS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 21, 1952.

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, 1952, not authorized to serve civil process and to serve with bond.

The commissions of all constables not named herein expire on April 30, 1952, and such constables are hereby removed from office from and after May 1, 1952, for the good of the service.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

1952-53 CONSTABLES CONNECTED WITH OFFICIAL POSITIONS.

Harry A. Abrams, 52 Lindsey street, Ward 17.
Frank Bevilacqua, 172 Salem street, Ward 3.
Carl J. Brinkmann, 922 East Broadway, Ward 6.
John C. Centracechio, 511 Orleans street, Ward 1.
William B. Connolly, 876 East Fourth street, Ward 6.

Frederick J. Corcoran, 32 Lenoxdale avenue, Ward 16.

Albert DeCellis, 86 Bowdoin street, Ward 3.
Frank DeMartino, 2A Baldwin place, Ward 3.
Salvatore DiTavi, 429 Hanover street, Ward 3.
Joseph L. Duffley, 30 Algonquin street, Ward 17.
Charles Fantasia, 2 Baldwin place, Ward 3.
Cornelius T. Fitzpatrick, 345 Neponset avenue, Ward 16.

John F. Fleming, 424 East Sixth street, Ward 7.
Owen P. Flynn, 5 Sterling square, Ward 6.
John F. Geraghty, 45 Clarence street, Ward 8.
Robert T. Gilbody, 5 Weyanoke street, Ward 16.
Leo G. Grappocio, 47 Auburn street, Ward 3.
Charles B. Gray, 14 Pleasant Hill avenue, Ward 17.

Thomas P. Hogan, 377 Dudley street, Ward 8.
Thomas A. Hughes, 129 Lexington street, Ward 1.
Timothy F. Keefe, 27 Manthorne road, Ward 20.
Herbert F. Kenney, 43 Delle avenue, Ward 10.
Mitchell Kolsti, 4331 Washington street, Ward 20.

Andrew Martin, 22 Fayston street, Ward 13.
George A. Martin, 141 Arlington street, Ward 5.
Edward J. Masterman, 28 Harlem street, Ward 14.

Edwin J. McGowan, 51 M street, Ward 6.
Charles J. McGrath, 46 Columbia road, Ward 14.
Arthur A. Montouri, 60 Prince street, Ward 3.
Robert F. Morey, 278 Old Colony avenue, Ward 7.

Alfred E. Natale, 11 Sheafe street, Ward 7.
George A. Nelson, 91 School street, Ward 2.
John F. O'Brien, 1156 Commonwealth avenue, Ward 21.

David I. O'Connor, 1617 Tremont street, Ward 10.

Joseph N. Radley, 9 Appleton court, Ward 20.
Louis Reppucci, 282 North street, Ward 3.
Harry Roberts, 182 West Canton street, Ward 4.
Joseph Russian, 35 Lawrence avenue, Ward 14.
Ronald Spriggs, 65 Whitfield street, Ward 17.
Daniel Sullivan, 9 Highland street, Ward 9.
Louis Taylor, 38 Intervale street, Ward 12.
Chester K. Wickes, 301 Wood avenue, Ward 18.
George S. Zarthar, 40 West Newton street, Ward 9.

Supervisor of Licensed Minors.

Timothy F. Regan, 543 Boylston street, Ward 4.

Animal Rescue League.

Archibald MacDonald, 710 East Sixth street, Ward 6.

Massachusetts S.P.C.A.

Harry L. Allen, 180 Longwood avenue, Ward 4.

Van Drivers Appointed by the Court.

George H. Bradley, 205 Billings street, North Quincy.

Raymond F. Green, 586 La Grange street, Ward 20.

On motion of Councillor Ward the appointments were laid on the table.

RETIREMENT OF TRAFFIC TUNNEL
BONDS OF 1932.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 21, 1952.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

On December 1, 1932, the City of Boston issued under St. 1929, c. 297, as amended by St. 1932, c. 287, in connection with the construction of the Sumner Traffic Tunnel, bonds aggregating \$450,000 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, 1952. There are now funds in the hands of the Board of Commissioners of Sinking Funds sufficient for the retirement and cancellation of these bonds on December 1, 1952. Trans-

mitted herewith is an order calling these bonds for such retirement and cancellation. I recommend its immediate adoption.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Whereas, Under date of December 1, 1932, the City of Boston issued, under St. 1929, c. 297, as amended by St. 1932, c. 287, registered Traffic Tunnel Bonds, City of Boston, Acts of 1929, in the aggregate principal amount of \$450,000, 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, 1982, 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, 1932, and due December 1, 1982, be and hereby are called for retirement and cancellation on December 1, 1952; 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, 1952, 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, 1932, 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, 1932, and due December 1, 1982, have been called for retirement and cancellation on December 1, 1952, 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, 1952, will be made by the City of Boston on and after December 1, 1952, upon presentation of the bond at the office of the City Treasurer, City Hall, Boston, Mass.

CITY TREASURER OF THE CITY OF BOSTON.
October, 1952.

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, April 21, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

On September 1, 1932, the City of Boston issued under St. 1929, c. 297, as amended by St. 1932, c. 287, in connection with the construction of the Sumner Traffic Tunnel, bonds aggregating \$2,000,000 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 September 1, 1952. There are now funds in the hands of the Board of Commissioners of Sinking Funds sufficient for the retirement and cancellation of these bonds on September 1, 1952. Transmitted herewith is an order calling these bonds for such retirement and cancellation. I recommend its immediate adoption.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Whereas, Under date of September 1, 1932, the City of Boston issued, under St. 1929, c. 297, as amended by St. 1932, c. 287, Traffic Tunnel Bonds, City of Boston, Act of 1929, in the aggregate

principal amount of \$2,000,000, bearing interest at the rate of 4½ per cent per annum, payable semiannually on March 1 and September 1 of each year, which bonds are due September 1, 1982, 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 September 1, 1932, and due September 1, 1982, be, and hereby is, called for retirement and cancellation on September 1, 1952; 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 July, 1952, by causing a notice of call to be printed once in each of three successive weeks in (1) two financial publications of national circulation, (2) a newspaper of general circulation published in Chicago, Illinois, (3) a newspaper of general circulation published in Detroit, Michigan, (4) a newspaper of general circulation published in New York, New York, and (5) at least one newspaper of general circulation published in Boston, Mass., and by such other and further means, if any, as said treasurer may deem appropriate; 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 September 1, 1932, and Others Concerned.

Notice is hereby given that all outstanding 4½ per cent Traffic Tunnel Bonds, City of Boston, Act of 1929, dated September 1, 1932, and due September 1, 1982, have been called for retirement and cancellation on September 1, 1952, 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 September 1, 1952, will be made by the City of Boston on and after September 1, 1952, upon surrender of the bond (with, in the case of a coupon bond, the March 1, 1953, and subsequent coupons and the coupons for any accumulated unpaid interest) at the office of the City Treasurer, City Hall, Boston, Mass. Coupons maturing on or before September 1, 1952, may, at the option of the holder, be detached and collected in the usual manner.

CITY TREASURER OF THE CITY OF BOSTON.
July, 1952.

Severally referred to the Executive Committee.

MESSAGE ON REORGANIZATION AND
CONSOLIDATION OF CITY DEPARTMENTS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 17, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of an order of your Honorable Body requesting me to appoint a committee to sit with the Committee on Ordinances to draft legislation relative to the reorganization and consolidation of city departments.

This subject has been inquired into, reported upon, and discussed many times during the past thirty years, and I have been thoroughly familiar with its pros and cons not only as Mayor for the last two years, but in previous service with the city in other capacities.

The prime object aimed at is to reduce the cost to the taxpayers of the administration of the city's affairs. To attain this objective it is immediately apparent that either or both of the following steps are required:

1. To so distribute the functions, duties, and services of the city that the number of employees will be substantially reduced without reducing the quality and variety of those services.
2. To eliminate some of the services now furnished to and demanded by the citizens and dispensing with the employees now engaged in those services.

Thus, broadly stated, it is evident that the process of reorganization is beset with difficulties.

The latest report on the subject was submitted by the Finance Commission in 1950. This report is quite detailed and extensive and requires legislative action and involves various technical difficulties. Together with the comments and replies of the departments concerned it has been referred by me to a commission of thoroughly experienced department heads for consideration and report.

It is probable that their report will furnish the foundation for a comprehensive ordinance, and if that is the case I shall seasonably submit the same to your Honorable Body for its consideration.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

On motion of Councillor Ward the message was placed on file.

PURCHASE OF FURNITURE AND OFFICE SUPPLIES.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 21, 1952.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I send you herewith a proposed amendment to the ordinances of the city relative to the purchase of furniture and office supplies. I also send you a report of the Mayor's Administrative Committee recommending the adoption of the proposed ordinance.

The purpose of this amendment is to centralize in one city department, that is, the Supply Department, the common purchases of the city. This entails the transfer from the Printing Department of the purchasing of miscellaneous office supplies, and the transfer from the Public Buildings Department of the purchase of furniture.

Undoubtedly a more highly centralized system of the purchase of supplies will result in eventual savings to the city. The present ordinance will also relieve the officials in the Printing Department and in the Public Buildings Department of acting as purchasing agents in a restricted field.

This matter has received consideration by your Body during the discussions attendant on the annual budget. I therefore recommend the passage of the proposed ordinance to take effect on June 1, 1952.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

April 18, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

In our review of survey studies relating to the Supply and Printing Departments, it was pointed out that Boston lacks a centralized system of purchasing. Because of existing ordinances the Printing Department buys stationery and office supplies for city and county departments, and the Public Buildings Department secures the furniture and furnishings required for the thirty-two public buildings under its control and management. Under the provisions of existing statutes the School Department, the Police Department, the Public Library, and many county offices and departments purchase independently of the Supply Department. Amendments to existing statutes can only be made with legislative approval. In the case of the Printing and Public Buildings Departments, however, it is possible to centralize the present purchasing activities of these two departments in the Supply Department by amendments to existing ordinances. We submit herewith a draft of proposed amend-

ments to accomplish this end and recommend that you consider submission of the same to the City Council.

Respectfully,
CHARLES J. FOX,
JOHN A. SULLIVAN,
JOHN DEMEULENAER.

City of Boston.

In the Year Nineteen Hundred and Fifty-two.

An Ordinance Concerning the Purchase of Furniture and Office Supplies, Including Stationery and Paper.

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 16 and inserting in place thereof the following: Section 16. Every officer in charge of a department requiring any printing or binding shall, by requisition in writing, obtain the same from the superintendent of printing.

SECT. 2. Chapter 24 of the Revised Ordinances of 1947 is hereby amended by striking out section 1 and inserting in place thereof the following: Section 1. The printing department shall be under the charge of the superintendent of printing, who shall have charge of the printing plant and of all the printing of the city, shall supply all printing and binding used by any board, commission, or department for which the city of Boston is required by law to furnish printing and binding, and shall, wherever practicable, standardize all such printing and binding.

SECT. 3. Section 4 of said chapter 24 is hereby amended by striking out the last sentence and inserting in place thereof the following: The term "binding" shall also be given the fullest meaning.

SECT. 4. Said chapter 24 is hereby further amended by striking out section 5 and inserting in place thereof the following: Section 5. The superintendent shall, in his annual report, include a statement of the cost of printing and binding supplied to each department.

SECT. 5. Section 1 of chapter 25 of the Revised Ordinances of 1947 is hereby amended by striking out the words "provide furniture for" and inserting in place thereof the words "keep in repair the furniture of."

SECT. 6. Chapter 34 of the Revised Ordinances of 1947 is hereby amended by striking out section 1 and inserting in place thereof the following: Section 1. The supply department shall be under the charge of the superintendent of supplies, who shall, upon requisition in writing, signed by the head of any department, supply materials, apparatus, and other supplies required by such department, except printing and binding.

SECT. 7. Said chapter 34 is hereby further amended by striking out section 2 and inserting in place thereof the following: Section 2. Every officer in charge of a department requiring materials, apparatus, and other supplies, except printing and binding, shall obtain the same of the superintendent of supplies by means of a requisition thereof on blanks to be prepared by the superintendent.

SECT. 8. This ordinance shall take effect on June 1, 1952.

Referred to the Committee on Ordinances.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

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

Claims.

Florence Eamovitch, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 20 Gerald road, Brighton.

Robert Bakka, for compensation for damage to car by car of Fire Department.

Robert F. Barnes, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Paving Division, Public Works Department.

Olga Bell, for compensation for damage to property at 238 West Canton street, caused by balls thrown from playground.

Boston Cab Company, for compensation for damage to cab by Park Department vehicle.

James F. Brady, for compensation for damage to car by city employees in Sumner Tunnel.

Bertha Brickman, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 37 Pearl street.

Esta Butkowitz, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 1031 Blue Hill avenue.

Frank and Olympia Carbone, for compensation for damage to property at 51 Archdale road, Roslindale, caused by raising grade of street.

Mrs. George A. Cummings, for compensation for injuries to son caused by an alleged defect in Wainwright street Playground.

Elizabeth J. Devine, for compensation for damage to property at 59 and 61 Archdale road, Roslindale, caused by raising grade of street.

Gertrude V. Hagerty, for compensation for damage to property at 57 Archdale road, Roslindale, caused by raising grade of street.

Francis P. Hennessey, for compensation for damage to property at 27 Churchill road, West Roxbury, caused during installation of sewer outlet.

Thomas F. Lewis, for reimbursement as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Water Division.

Thomas C. and Annie Manning, for compensation for damage to property at 43 Archdale road, Roslindale, caused by raising grade of street.

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

Elizabeth A. McDonough, for compensation for damage to property at 39 Colechester street, Readville, caused during street work.

Francis C. McGerity, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

John J. McGrath, for compensation for damage to property at 15 Acacia road, West Roxbury, caused by broken water main.

Louis F. Pucillo, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Police Department.

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M. Avery Rafuse, for compensation for damage to bicycle and injuries caused by an alleged defect in Beacon street.

Henry L. and Gertrude M. Squillante, for compensation for damage to property at 47 and 49 Archdale road, Roslindale, caused by raising grade of street.

Andrew and Bertha Sullivan, for compensation for damage to property at 39 Archdale road, Roslindale, caused by raising grade of street.

Edward J. Sullivan, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

PERMIT FOR CHILDREN.

Petition for children under fifteen years of age to appear at places of public amusement:

Edna C. Johnson, Brown Hall, June 15.

Permit granted under usual conditions.

PETITIONS FOR ANNUITIES.

Petition of Margaret H. Laskey to be paid annuity on account of the death of her husband, Jerome F. Laskey, late member of the Police Department.

Petition of Mary L. McCarthy to be paid annuity on account of the death of her husband, John F. McCarthy, late member of the Police Department.

Severally referred to the Committee on Claims.

NOTICE FROM DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities transmitting copy of order granting the petition of the Metropolitan Transit Authority for modifications and changes in its elevated structure as indicated on plan numbered

S-14632, showing removal of structure on north-erly side of Causeway street, between Beverly and Medford streets.

On motion of Councillor Ahearn the communication was referred to the Executive Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFIRMATIONS.

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

Report on appointments by the Mayor (referred March 24) of constables authorized to serve civil process upon filing of bond for term of one year, beginning with first day of May, 1952—recommending that the appointments be referred to the Executive Committee.

Report on appointments by the Mayor (referred March 24) of minor officers paid by fees for term of one year, beginning with first day of May, 1952—recommending that the appointments be referred to the Executive Committee.

The reports were accepted, and the appointments were severally referred to the Executive Committee.

INCOME ELIGIBILITY OF VETERANS IN HOUSING PROJECTS.

Coun. WARD offered the following:

Ordered, That the Boston Housing Authority be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to make known to the members of the Boston City Council the reason why the order of November 5, 1948, approved by the Public Housing Administration and the State Housing Board, excluding disability pensions in determining income eligibility of veterans, is not being promulgated.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

LEGISLATION RE RETIREMENT OF CAPTAIN EDWARD TWOHIG.

Coun. WARD offered the following:

Resolved, That the City Council of Boston favors the consideration by the Legislature of the petition now held under Joint Rule 7B providing for payment of a full pension to Capt. Edward Twohig, a member of the Boston Police Department, who lost the use of his eye in the performance of his duty.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

EXPERIMENTAL SAILING PROGRAM BY PARK DEPARTMENT.

Coun. FOLEY and KERRIGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to establish an experimental sailing program between May 15 and June 30 of this year as follows:

1. The immediate purchase of a motor boat as allowed in the 1952 budget.

2. Assignment of six boats presently owned by the City of Boston to Jamaica Pond during the period.

3. Transportation by water tow of ten of the boats presently owned by the City of Boston to the Bayswater section of East Boston, the Pleasure Bay area of South Boston, and the Savin Hill area of Dorchester, on successive weekday afternoons, and the assignment of the boats to each area during successive week ends during the period.

4. Provision for rudimentary instruction in sailing technique in each of the four areas to be served by personnel now assigned to the sailing program on the Charles River, such instruction to be given in the district before the boats are assigned.

5. Adequate evaluation of interest aroused in the districts served with a view toward an expanded program in the future.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

HANDBALL COURTS AT L STREET
BATH.

Coun. FOLEY and KERRIGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to immediately put into serviceable condition the handball courts at the L Street Bath, South Boston.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

COMMUTER TRAIN SERVICE TO
HYDE PARK.

Coun. HAILER offered the following:

Resolved, That the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, hereby records itself as requesting the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad to rescind its order cutting the commuter train service to Hyde Park; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be sent to the Department of Public Utilities.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

CERTAIN INFORMATION REGARDING
CONSTABLES.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to have the City Council informed as to the departments in which constables are assigned, the number so assigned, the duties of said constables, and their wages.

On motion of Councillor Foley the order was amended by deleting the words "be requested" and substituting the words "is directed" and by adding the following sentences: "This order is passed under authority of section 17F of the City Charter," and "Ordered, his Honor the Mayor is directed to order the attendance of a responsible officer of the executive branch of the city government to appear at the regular meeting of the City Council on Monday, April 28, 1952, prepared to answer these questions."

The order as amended was passed under suspension of the rules.

Coun. PIEMONTE moved that the Clerk be directed to forthwith send a copy of the order as passed to the Mayor in compliance with the section so that the Mayor might have the notice provided for. The motion was passed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC
SERVICES AND RECREATION.

Coun. WHITE, for the Committee on Public Services and Recreation, submitted the following:

Report on order (referred April 7) that Street Lighting Division be requested to install modern three-prong lighting system in retail shopping district of Roxbury along Washington street, from Eustis street to Dudley street—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the order was passed.

SALE OF LAND IN WEST ROXBURY TO
HOUSING AUTHORITY.

Coun. AHEARN called up, under unfinished business, No. 2 on the Calendar, viz.:

2. Order for sale of land in West Roxbury (Stony Brook Conduit), to the Boston Housing Authority for \$1.

On April 7, 1952, the foregoing order was read once and passed, yeas 9.

The order was given its second reading and passage, yeas 9.

Yeas—Councillors Ahearn, Foley, Hailer, Hurley, Joyce, Kerrigan, Piemonte, Ward, White—9

SALE OF LAND TO MASSACHUSETTS
GENERAL HOSPITAL.

Coun. FOLEY called up, under unfinished business, No. 1 on the Calendar, viz.:

1. Order for sale of land on Blossom street, Boston, to the Massachusetts General Hospital for \$155.

On April 7, 1952, the foregoing order was read once and passed, yeas 8, nays 0.

The order was given its second reading and passage, yeas 9.

Yeas—Councillors Ahearn, Foley, Hailer, Hurley, Joyce, Kerrigan, Piemonte, Ward, White—9.

MOTION TO ADJOURN.

On motion of Councillor Ward to adjourn, the motion was lost.

RECESS.

On motion of Councillor Ahearn the Council voted to take a recess at 4.20 p.m., subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled in the Council Chamber and were called to order by President PIEMONTE at 5 p.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

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

1. Report on resolution (referred today) that Council records itself as requesting the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad to rescind its order cutting commuter train service to Hyde Park, and that copy of resolution be sent to the Department of Public Utilities—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the resolution was adopted.

Coun. HAILER in the chair.

2. Report on appointments by the Mayor (referred today) of minor officers paid by fees as contained in City Document No. 40-1952, for term of one year, beginning with first day of May, 1952—recommending that appointments be confirmed.

3. Report on appointments by the Mayor (referred today) of constables authorized to serve civil process upon filing of bond as contained in City Document No. 41-1952, for term of one year, beginning with first day of May, 1952—recommending that appointments be confirmed.

The reports were accepted, and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councillors Foley and Ahearn. Whole number of ballots 7, yeas 7, nays 0, and the appointments were severally confirmed.

REGRET AT DEATH OF WILLIAM P. LONG.

Coun. WARD offered the following:

Whereas, William P. Long had been a faithful employee of the City of Boston for a number of years; and

Whereas, As Park Commissioner of the City of Boston he served all citizens and interests of the City of Boston most faithfully and diligently; and

Whereas, The untimely death of Mr. Long is mourned as an irreplaceable loss to the citizens of Boston; be it,

Resolved, That the Members of the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, extend their deep sympathy and condolence to the members of the family of the late William P. Long.

The resolution was adopted by a unanimous rising vote.

Adjourned at 5.06 p.m., on motion of Councillor Piemonte, to meet on Monday, April 28, 1952, 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 28, 1952.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President PIEMONTE in the chair and all the members present.

The Reverend John K. Buckley of St. Monica's Catholic Church, South Boston, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY REV. JOHN K. BUCKLEY.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen. Almighty God, Creator and Ruler of all of us here, from whom we receive all rights, counsel, and just works, we beseech Thee, let the law of Thy divine wisdom direct the members of this Council in their deliberations. Grant that the authority and leadership which has been given to them may be used justly and prudently, that it may serve the best interests and the common good of the City of Boston. Endow them with due respect for law and order, to restrain evil and immorality by faithful execution of justice and honesty in the sacred trust which the people of Boston have placed in them. Grant that every word and work of this Body may, by Thee and in Thee and for Thee, be happily ended. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation. But deliver us from evil. Amen.

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:

Constables, with authority to serve civil process upon filing of bond, for term ending April 30, 1953:

Augustine S. Gannon, 26 Marion street, East Boston; Joseph H. Curran, 17 Lindsey street, Dorchester; Arthur N. Gordon, 120 Riverway, Boston; Thomas Cannizzaro, 378 West Second street, South Boston; Andrew A. Raffoni, 201 Belgrade avenue, Roslindale.

Weighers of Goods, for term ending April 30, 1953:

Albert Sheafe, 63 Hartford street, Dorchester; Howard A. White, 111 Needham road, Hyde Park; Patrick J. McCarrick, 10 Farquhar street, Roslindale.

Severally referred to the Committee on Confirmations.

EXPERIMENTAL SAILING PROGRAM.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, April 28, 1952.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Chairman of the Park Department relative to your order of April 21, 1952, concerning the request that an experimental sailing program be established between May 15 and June 30 of this year.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, April 25, 1952.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your memo of recent date with attached Council order relative to the establishment of an experimental sailing program between May 15 and June 30.

Answering this order by items as it is listed in the order:

1. Requests the immediate purchase of a motor boat as allowed in the 1952 budget.

In our 1952 budget we requested an appropriation of \$2,300, which would cover the following items: \$800 for the purchase of a motor boat, \$1,000 for the purchase of three aluminum diving boards for indoor and outdoor pools, and \$500 for the purchase of miscellaneous boating equipment, flags, pennants, charts, etc., for the boating program on the Charles River as well as for the lifeboats used on our beaches.

We were given an appropriation of \$1,200. Out of this we must purchase at least two diving boards, leaving a small balance for boating equipment. We therefore have no money with which to buy a motorboat.

2. The only boats that could be assigned would be those from the Charles River. The only other boats we have are used for lifeguard purposes on the beach or for fishing in Jamaica Pond.

3. Before considering the transportation of boats, which would have to be the boats on the Charles River, as explained in Item 2, we might mention that the three places mentioned in Item 3—Pleasure Bay area, South Boston, Savin Hill area, Dorchester, and Bayswater section, East Boston—are not properties of the City of Boston Park Department.

The East Boston area is under the control of the Public Works Department of the Commonwealth until such time as the beach and bathhouse have been built and turned over to this department.

Pleasure Bay area and Savin Hill area are under the control of the Metropolitan District Commission of the Commonwealth.

4. We provide each year, and have made provisions in this year's budget, for three instructors for our Charles River program. We have no money available for the hire of additional help for further instruction, as the item for temporary employees was cut to a positive minimum.

5. It can readily be seen that we cannot, of course, add any evaluation on the program unless the first four items were adopted.

This is a matter that might well be considered in next year's budget, but proper provisions would have to be made for the purchasing of extra equipment and the hiring of extra personnel.

This matter will receive our serious consideration for next year, but I know of no way that this program can be put into operation for the year 1952.

Very truly yours,
FRANK R. KELLEY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

HANDBALL COURTS AT L STREET BATHS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, April 25, 1952.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Chairman of the Park Department relative to your order of April 21, 1952, requesting that the handball courts at the L Street Bath, South Boston, be put into serviceable condition immediately.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, April 24, 1952.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a memo from your office with attached enclosure, City Council order requesting that the handball courts at the L Street Bath be placed in serviceable condition.

This department arranges each year to repair and recondition all the facilities at the L Street Bath, and in accordance with our annual program the L Street handball courts will be placed in first-class condition.

Very truly yours,
FRANK R. KELLEY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

APPROPRIATION FOR SCHOOL PURPOSES.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 28, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

Under the appropriation limit provided by law, the School Committee has appropriated for General School Purposes the sum of \$22,697,811.84. In addition, the Committee has requested, as indicated in the attached communication, that additional appropriations totaling \$2,609,648.89 be provided for General School Purposes under the provisions of chapter 224 of the Acts of 1936. After an extensive review of this request, I am of the opinion that additional appropriations totaling \$2,204,976.46, or a reduction of \$404,672.43 from the original request of the Committee, will suffice for the current year's needs of the School Department. I have communicated this fact to the members of the School Committee and have their acquiescence to this reduction.

Approval of this supplementary amount will mean that 1952 appropriations of the School Department will exceed by \$1,317,317.85 actual expenditures in 1951 for General School Purposes. The main factors responsible for this increase are indicated in the following table:

Full year cost of general increase granted by Mayor as of September 1, 1951	\$760,000
Special increases voted by School Committee as of September 1, 1951, payment of which has been withheld awaiting court decision	171,000
Initial payment as of September 1, 1952, of single salary schedule increases (four months cost in 1952)	187,000
Replacement of worn out and obsolete textbooks	215,000

I submit herewith an order providing for the additional appropriations and respectfully recommend its adoption by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

The School Committee of the City of Boston,
April 7, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:
I am transmitting herewith for your approval attested copies of order passed at the meeting of the School Committee held on Monday, April 7, 1952, appropriating the sum of \$22,697,811.84 for the maintenance of the Boston public schools for the fiscal year 1952, exclusive of "alterations, repairs, furniture and fixtures," namely, General School Purposes.

The amount submitted to you in the appropriation for General School Purposes is the entire amount available under the legal limit.

This amount of \$22,697,811.84 is short by \$2,609,648.89 of the amount that is necessary to carry out the needs of the budget for General School Purposes. The breakdown of this \$2,609,648.89 is shown as follows:

ADMINISTRATION.....	\$125,000 00
INSTRUCTION.....	2,039,648 89
AUXILIARY SERVICES.....	100,000 00
OPERATION OF PLANT.....	320,000 00
FIXED CHARGES.....	25,000 00
PENSIONS TO TEACHERS...	—

TOTAL.....\$2,609,648 89

In accordance with the provisions of the law governing appropriations, the School Committee respectfully requests your Honor to recommend to the City Council the additional appropriation necessary for General School Purposes in the sum of \$2,609,648.89.

Respectfully submitted,
AGNES E. REYNOLDS, Secretary.

Ordered, That the respective sums of money specified in the schedules hereinafter set out be, and hereby are, appropriated for school purposes in addition to appropriations previously voted by the School Committee; 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.

ADMINISTRATION.....	\$32,310 37
INSTRUCTION.....	1,773,940 09
AUXILIARY SERVICES.....	89,063 00
OPERATION OF PLANT.....	284,663 00
FIXED CHARGES.....	25,000 00
TOTAL	<u>\$2,204,976 46</u>

Referred to the Executive Committee.

APPROPRIATION FROM PARKMAN FUND INCOME.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 28, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of the attached communication from the Board of Park Commissioners, requesting the appropriation of \$48,000 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 1952 budget estimates of the personal service requirements of the Park Department included an estimate of the total income of \$183,000 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 \$48,000, the accrued income now available from the Parkman Fund, and respectfully recommend its immediate passage by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, April 24, 1952.
Hon. John B. Hynes,
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 \$48,000, 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>\$48,000</u>
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When making up the budget estimates for the year 1952, a sum equal to the total yearly income of the George F. Parkman Fund was deducted from Item 100, Permanent Employees, with the understanding that this deduction was to be replaced by the total yearly income of said Parkman Fund for 1952, to be transferred as it accrued, from time to time, during the year to the regular maintenance appropriation of the Park Department.

Respectfully yours,
FRANK R. KELLEY, Chairman.

Ordered, That the sum of forty-eight thousand dollars (\$48,000) 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>\$48,000</u>
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Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Finance.

LOAN FOR CONSTRUCTION OF BRIDGES, ETC.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, April 28, 1952.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of a communication, attached herewith, from the Commissioner of Public Works, in which he sets forth the desirability of issuing bonds for major improvements to thirteen bridges in the City of Boston.

In the opinion of the Commissioner, \$3,000,000 will be necessary to meet the cost of this proposed bridge construction work during the next few years. In order, however, to conform to the recommendations as set forth in the capital improvement program, I recommend that the loan order be in the sum of \$2,845,000. This amount, in addition to the amount now pending before your Honorable Body, to wit, \$161,236.59, will provide over \$3,000,000 to be expended for necessary improvements to various bridges.

I therefore recommend that action be taken on the appropriation order submitted to your Body on March 31, which reappropriates the revenue balance for 1951 as a "down payment" to support bridge construction. I also recommend passage by your Honorable Body of the accompanying loan order in the sum of \$2,845,000 for Construction of Bridges, etc.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
April 25, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

Under date of April 16, 1945, the then Mayor—after being authorized thereto by the City Council—approved the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$2,500,000, for construction of bridges under the provisions of clause 4 of section 7 of chapter 44 of the General Laws.

Of the above-referenced amount, approximately \$2,200,000 is still available. However, this amount is earmarked for the city's share in connection with the construction of the new Meridian Street Bridge, East Boston. The latter-referenced structure will cost approximately \$4,500,000, and the state has agreed to contribute the difference between the actual cost and the \$2,200,000 referred to hereinbefore, which, as stated, represents the city's contribution to the project. Under the circumstances, therefore, this department has no money available for bridge construction work, although the need for a substantial amount for this purpose is obvious.

The following schedule, which was prepared by Division Engineer DeMeulenaer, contains the names of the bridges that should be constructed in the near future, and the estimated cost of each project:

Bridges.	Estimated Cost.
Broadway Bridge (over Fort Point Channel).....	\$480,000
Broadway (over B. & A. R.R.).....	180,000
Charlestown (over Charles River).....	1,022,000
Chelsea Street (over Chelsea River).....	82,000
Congress Street (over Fort Point Channel).....	45,000
Dover Street (over Fort Point Channel).....	60,000
Everett Street (over B. & A. R.R.).....	70,000
Northern Avenue (over Fort Point Channel).....	347,000
Redfield Street (over N. Y., N. H., R.R.).....	29,000
Summer Street (over A Street).....	20,000
Summer Street (over B Street).....	25,000
Summer Street (over Fort Point Channel).....	1,570,000
West Fourth Street (over N. Y., N. H. & H. R.R.).....	100,000
Total.....	\$4,030,000

You will note that the Division Engineer's estimate is in the amount of \$4,030,000. However, I do not feel that we shall be able to do such a large volume of work within the next few years, due principally to steel shortages, and, for this reason, I am recommending that only \$3,000,000 be appropriated to cover the cost of the proposed

bridge construction work. The down payment as required under the provisions of the above-referenced chapter 44 of the General Laws, has been appropriated from revenue funds.

I respectfully request, therefore, that the enclosed order, providing for the appropriation of \$3,000,000 to be expended for Construction of Bridges, etc., be forwarded to the Honorable City Council for the approval of that Body.

Respectfully yours,

GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Ordered, That under the provisions of clause 4 of section 7 of chapter 44 of the General Laws, the sum of two million eight hundred forty-five thousand dollars (\$2,845,000) be, and hereby is, appropriated, to be expended under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works for Construction of Bridges, etc., 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 Appropriations and Finance.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

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

Claims.

Elizabeth Abate, to be reimbursed for expenses incurred in connection with sewer line at 36 Monument square, Charlestown.

Alpha Lunch Company, for compensation for damage to property at Otis and Summer streets, caused by stones thrown from street.

John D. Booth, for compensation for injuries and damage to car by fire apparatus.

Libby Nessa Diamond, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Forest Hills.

Cecil Dickinson, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him on account of his acts as employee of Fire Department.

James F. Foley, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Police Department.

Frances C. and Martin F. Glynn, for compensation for damage to clothing caused by paint on bench in Boston Public Garden.

Michael J. Kovalski, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him on account of his acts as employee of Police Department.

Christabel C. Merrett, for compensation for damage to property at 68 West Cedar street, caused by break in water main.

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

Arthur D. Ryan, for compensation for damage to property at 10 Anawan terrace, West Roxbury, caused by break in water main.

Francis J. Seanlon, for compensation for damage to clothing by bursting oil hose.

Margaret Shea, to be reimbursed for money spent in cleaning out sewer pipes at 112 Appleton street, Boston.

George R. Tacey, for compensation for damage to clothing by bursting oil hose.

Joseph J. Ward, for compensation for damage to car by city ambulance.

Harry B. Dwyer, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him on account of his acts as employee of Public Buildings Department.

Renzo R. Santangelo, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

PERMITS FOR CHILDREN.

Petitions for permits for children under 15 years of age to appear at places of public amusement were received as follows:

Norris Studio of Dancing, Peabody Playhouse, June 6.

Norris Studio of Dancing, Jordan Hall, June 7.

Jean Paige, John Hancock Hall, May 26.

Adolphe Robicheau, Boston Conservatory Auditorium, May 2 and 3.

Permits severally granted, under usual conditions.

CONSTABLES' BONDS.

The constables' bonds of the following, having been duly approved by the City Treasurer, were received, viz.:

Henry Atwood, Samuel C. Baker, Sidney Cohen, John D. Cole, John M. Crawford, Edward A. DeSimone, Meyer Goldstein, Louis E. Grace, Salvatore Grassa, Edward C. Gurnon, James A. Hickey, Charles I. Lesser, John A. McGillivray, Frank A. Mitchell, Phillip S. Phillips, George N. Pierce, Jacob E. Schrank, Joseph P. Schrank, Frank, Shaw, Joseph Simansky, Leon Small, Clifford L. Smith, Solomon Spack, Benjamin J. Tackeff, Roman J. Vasil, Louis Yacker, Francis S. Zarthar.

Severally referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Finance.

HEARING BEFORE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held May 7, at 10.30 A.M., in bearing room of department, on petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority for license to operate motor vehicles over Paris street, between Meridian street and Sumner street; over Sumner street, between Paris street and Maverick square.

Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

APPOINTMENT OF JOHN D. RUDNICK.

Notice was received from the Health Commissioner of appointment of John D. Rudnick, 1641 Commonwealth avenue, Brighton, as inspector of housing and sanitation (provisional) at \$52.95 a week, effective April 23, 1952.

Placed on file.

INVITATION TO COUNCIL TO ATTEND LUNCHEON.

President PIEMONTE announced that he was in receipt of an invitation to the members of the Council to attend a luncheon for Maj. General Frederick A. Irving, United States Army Superintendent of United States Military Academy, at the Sberaton-Plaza Hotel, on April 29, 1952, at 12.30 P.M.

PENSION TO VINCENT H. FLANNERY.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:
Resolved, That the City Council of Boston favors the consideration by the Legislature of the petition now held under Joint Rule 7B providing for full pay to Patrolman Vincent H. Flannery who was permanently disabled by reason of injuries received in 1949, while in the performance of his duty, provided that any such legislation enacted includes a referendum to the Mayor and City Council.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

COLLECTION OF GARBAGE AND REFUSE IN NORTH END DISTRICT.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:
Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to direct the garbage and refuse contractor in the North End district of the city to make collections on rainy days in this district, and, further, that the Public Works Commissioner take whatever disciplinary action he may deem advisable against this contractor.

Coun. AHEARN in the chair.

The order was passed under suspension of the rules.

President PIEMONTE in the chair.

ARC LIGHT, CANTERBURY STREET, ROSLINDALE.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:
Ordered, That the Street Lighting Division of the Public Works Department be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to put an arc light at number top number 1158-lower number 103 Edison Light pole at Canterbury street, Roslindale.
Referred to the Committee on Public Services and Recreation.

SALE OF CITY-OWNED LAND IN QUINCY.

Coun. HURLEY and WARD offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor confer with the Quincy City officials relative to the sale of land owned by the Public Works Department of the City of Boston and located within the confines of the City of Quincy, at Squantum, Mass., for recreational facilities, to the City of Quincy.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF JOHN L. CARROLL, JR.

Coun. HAILER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend naming the square at the intersection of Austin and West streets, Hyde Park, in honor of Private John L. Carroll, Jr., of the 38th Infantry Regiment, First Army, 2nd Division, who was killed in action December 28, 1944, in Belgium.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF GEORGE A. WADE.

Coun. HAILER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend naming the square at the intersection of Deforest and Poplar streets, Roslindale, in honor of Lieut. George A. Wade, of the 736th Bombing Squadron, 454 Bombing Group, who was killed in action in North Africa on March 19, 1944.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

CONTINUATION OF EMPLOYEES' STEP-RATE INCREASES.

Coun. AHEARN, HAILER, WARD, FOLEY, WHITE, HURLEY, JOYCE and KERRIGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to instruct all department heads to continue step-rate increases in their departments until such time as the new reclassification plan is adopted.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

REDEVELOPMENT OF BACK BAY YARD OF BOSTON & ALBANY RAILROAD.

Coun. FOLEY offered the following:
Ordered, That the City Council, under the provisions of section 17F of the City Charter, makes inquiry of his Honor the Mayor, such information to be furnished on May 12, 1952, as to the progress made toward redevelopment by private enterprise of the Boston & Albany Railroad yards in the Back Bay section of Boston, since the Council last inquired on this matter.

On motion of Councillor Hurley the order was referred to the Executive Committee.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF HERBERT C. SHOALES.

Coun. FOLEY offered the following:
Ordered, That the Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the

Mayor, to name the square at Buena Vista and Warren streets, Roxbury, in honor of Staff Sergeant Herbert C. Shoales, who lost his life at Saint-Lô, France, on July 10, 1944, while serving his country in the Army of the United States.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

LOAN FOR CONSTRUCTION OF PUBLIC WAYS.

Coun. HURLEY called up, under unfinished business, No. 1 on the calendar, viz.:

1. Order for loan of \$2,000,000 for construction of public ways or permanent pavement.

Filed March 24, 1952. On April 14, 1952, the foregoing order was read once and passed, yeas 8, nays 0.

On motion of Councillor Ahearn the order was referred to the Executive Committee.

INFORMATION REGARDING APPOINT- MENT OF CONSTABLES.

President PIEMONTE—The Chair is reminded of an order passed last week which requested a meeting at which a representative of the Mayor be present.

Rather than hold this up, the City Messenger will check to see if the Mayor's representative will be present in order that the wishes of the Council may be carried out.

(Whereupon the Mayor's representative, Thomas G. J. Shannon, Chief Clerk, was admitted to the Council Chamber.)

President PIEMONTE—Gentlemen of the Council, as you know, this is the first occasion for such a hearing under our new charter. The procedure, unless I am corrected, will be as follows: We will suspend our regular meeting of the Council and recess, and we will go into executive session right here in this room, and the Chairman of the Executive Committee will preside, and the questions will be asked through the Chair in public.

We can have a motion made by some member of the Council to that effect, but in the absence of such a motion, I will proceed to conduct the hearing as we have been.

Coun. FOLEY—Mr. President, I move a five-minute recess.

(The motion was passed, and the Council went into recess at 2.54 P.M., and reconvened at 2.57 P.M.)

President PIEMONTE—The President will read section 17-F:

"The City Council at any time may request from the Mayor specific information on any municipal matter within its jurisdiction, and may request his presence to answer written questions relating thereto at a meeting to be held not earlier than one week from the date of the receipt of said questions, in which case the Mayor shall personally, or through a head of a department or a member of a board, attend such meeting and publicly answer all such questions."

After having examined this portion of the charter and discussed it with the Clerk, the Chair feels that this should be part of the City Council record and so makes the decision.

We now have before us Mr. Shannon, and the Clerk will read the order which was adopted last week so that the Council members may be thoroughly acquainted with it.

The Clerk read the order as follows:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be directed to have the City Council informed as to the departments in which constables are assigned, the number so assigned, the duties of said constables, and their wages. This order is passed under authority of section 17-F of the City Charter.

Ordered, His Honor the Mayor is directed to order the attendance of a responsible officer of the executive branch of the city government to appear at the regular meeting of the City Council on Monday, April 28, 1952, prepared to answer these questions.

Coun. HURLEY—Mr. President, on the order before us today there are how many questions asked?

President PIEMONTE—I will read the order so that the Council may be familiar with it.

Coun. HURLEY—When you come to reading the questions, will you read them slowly?

President PIEMONTE—I would refer the councillor to page 97 of the minutes contained

in their book entitled "Certain Information Regarding Constables." It is on page 97 of the proceedings of April 21.

The Mayor's representative will state the departments in which constables are assigned, the number so assigned, the duties of such constables, and their wages.

The Mayor's representative will kindly identify himself, giving his name and his official position.

Mr. SHANNON—Thomas G. J. Shannon, Chief Clerk, office of the Mayor, Boston.

Mr. Chairman and gentlemen of the Council, I have before me the communication from the Boston City Hospital to which department of the city there have been assigned two constables. These constables get \$54.86 per week.

President PIEMONTE—The President will rule the names are not pertinent. The Council is not interested in who the constables are. The question is, whether or not we need constables.

Mr. Shannon will omit any reference to names and will confine himself to the question before us, having in mind the thought of the Council, as to whether or not these constables are dispensable.

Mr. SHANNON—There are two constables attached to the Boston City Hospital. The duties of said constables are to make personal calls at the home of patients whose hospital bills are overdue, and to leave with the patient or a member of his family a copy of our demand for payment of the bill. An interview is had with the patient regarding his financial circumstances, and constables assigned to this office may collect payment of the bill.

Constables also call at the offices of attorneys who are handling accident cases of our patients in order to ascertain the progress of the settlement of such cases. In addition they are requested to check the Superior Court lists periodically for settlement of accident cases.

The bills given to the constables are made out in duplicate, the original for the patient and the duplicate for the constable's report.

Constables report each morning at nine o'clock to the Building Department for their daily work and at the same time they turn in their reports on the previous day's work.

Their salary, as I stated before, is \$54.86 per week.

I come now to the Board of Street Commissioners. There are five constables assigned to this department of municipal government. Their salary is \$54.86 per week. The duties of these constables consist of serving notices to abutting property owners before public hearings are held on petitions for projections over the highway, including signs, marquees and so forth, open-air parking spaces, occupancy of sidewalks for the sale and display of merchandise, and all other types of petitions for which public hearings are scheduled before this board.

The services of these constables are also utilized to serve notice on vacant property owners whose lands have been taken by this board by eminent domain at the request of various city departments.

I now come to the Building Department of the City of Boston, to which is assigned one constable. This constable receives a weekly salary of \$54.86. Because of court cases in which this department was concerned, it was necessary to transfer a constable from another department to this department in order to send out notices, and upon recommendation of the Corporation Counsel, the constable was assigned to this department.

The gentleman so assigned in this department is used for delivery of legal service, and these average about eight or ten a day. Because of the program of this department undertaken concerning unsafe building conditions, the commissioner feels that this number will shortly have to be increased.

I go now to the Law Department of the City of Boston, to which department have been assigned seven constables. The weekly salary of said constables is \$62.53. The duties of these constables consist of investigation of claims, investigation of all types of claims, such as highway defects, automobile accidents involving city-owned vehicles, water and sewer breaks, accidents to city wards, and litigations against city employees.

In the course of investigations, it is frequently necessary to call them in evenings to interview witnesses to obtain required information.

The Law Department has had a total of 1,525 or 1,530 claims in the year 1951.

These constables also serve personal service on witnesses, summonses for their appearance in

court, and it is generally necessary to make them at their homes in the evening.

The constables also assigned to the Law Department appear as witnesses in court actions and assist in the trial of cases.

I now come to the Collecting Department of the City of Boston, to which has been assigned one constable. The salary of said constable is \$54.86.

The duties of said constable assigned to this Collecting Department are the sending out of tax notices.

I now come to the Health Department of the City of Boston, to which have been assigned 10 constables, six serving in the Food Division and four in the Housing and Sanitation Division.

In the Housing and Sanitation Division, the duties of the constables are service of order for an abatement, and such order shall be in writing and may be served personally on the owner, occupant, or his authorized agent by any person authorized to serve due process. Copy of the order may be left at the last and usual place of abode of the owner, occupant or agent if he is known within the Commonwealth. If the premises he unoccupied and the resident or owner or agent is unknown or without the Commonwealth, the board may order the notice to be served by posting on the premises and by advertising in one or more papers. The notice may be served by the constable although he is a member of the Board of Health and signs the notice.

In the same department of health, in the Food Division are assigned, as previously stated, six constables at a weekly salary of \$54.86. Their hours are nine to five, the same as the food inspectors of the City of Boston. These constables engage in the service of notices. Each constable is assigned to a special section of the city, and they may also follow up peddlers to make certain they have licenses.

I now come to the Public Works Department, Water Division. We have assigned nine constables to that department of public works. These constables also are paid \$54.86 per week. These constables are assigned the duty of serving notices to delinquent water customers in payment of water bills.

In the Public Works Department, Sanitary Division, we have assigned 24 constables. Each constable receives \$54.86 per week, and these constables are assigned the duty of preventive street cleaning patrol, and they are assigned to, I believe, 11 to 13 districts or yards in the City of Boston out of which they work.

That, gentlemen, is the substance of the duties, salaries, the number of constables assigned, and the various departments to which they are assigned.

President PIEMONTE—Do the members of the Council have any questions relating to this matter?

Coun. AHEARN—Mr. President, through you, sir, I would like to ask Mr. Shannon whether or not it is a matter of policy well known to all these constables that they are required to work for their weekly salary.

Mr. SHANNON—May I answer that?

President PIEMONTE—Mr. Shannon.

Mr. SHANNON—Thank you. As far as the office of the Mayor is concerned, and I personally am in frequent touch with the departments, each constable is assigned to a particular job in his respective department, and he works every day of a five-day week. I can only say that it is my understanding and the individual head of the department will agree with me that is exactly what happens, that these constables work every day that there is work to be done.

Coun. AHEARN—Through you, sir, I would like to ask the question, if it were brought to your attention that a constable is not working, what would be the action of the Executive Department?

Mr. SHANNON—Mr. Chairman?

President PIEMONTE—Mr. Shannon.

Mr. SHANNON—The answer to the councillor is, if such a thing should happen that the Executive Department was notified of any indiscretions on the part of a constable, they would be dealt with immediately by the Mayor's office.

President PIEMONTE—Are there any other questions by the Council? If not, the Chair will proceed to ask the two questions he had in mind.

Is this information compiled as the result of your own knowledge or information sent to you by the department heads, Mr. Shannon?

Mr. SHANNON—Mr. President, partly through my own knowledge, having been around the city for some 15 or 16 years, and having served in this Honorable Body in 1944 and 1945, and information that I received from the various department heads.

President PIEMONTE—So that the Mayor is dependent in part on his department heads?

Mr. SHANNON—As he always does, Mr. Chairman.

President PIEMONTE—Is there anything to indicate whether or not these duties could be assumed by other employees in the various departments? Have the department heads advised the Mayor of that?

Mr. SHANNON—It has been my experience in 1950 and 1951 that fewer constables than 60 would only mean that some of the duties would have to be shifted onto some new employees of the city, so we gain very little if we lessen this amount. I myself personally feel as though everyone of these fellows do a good job.

President PIEMONTE—Any other questions, gentlemen? (No response.) If not, Mr. Shannon is excused with the thanks of the Body and the President.

Mr. SHANNON—Thank you very much.

Coun. KERRIGAN in the chair.

RECESS.

On motion of Councillor Foley the Council voted at 3.36 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 PIEMONTE at 6.12 P.M.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

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

1. Report on order (referred today) relative to step-rate increases to employees—recommending passage of order in following new draft:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to investigate the advisability of instructing all department heads to continue step-rate increases in their respective departments until such time as the new reclassification plan is adopted.

The report was accepted, and the order in the new draft was passed.

2. Report on order (referred today) asking report as to progress made toward redevelopment of Boston & Albany Back Bay yards—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the order was passed.

3. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred today) appropriating for general school purposes in addition to appropriations already voted the sum of \$2,204,976.46—recommending reference of the order to the Committee on Appropriations and Finance.

The report was accepted, and the order was referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Finance.

4. Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred today) for loan of \$2,000,000 for construction of public ways—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was given its second reading and passage, yeas 7, nays 2.

Yeas—Councillors Ahearn, Foley, Hailer, Hurley, Kerrigan, Ward, White—7.

Nays—Councillors Joyce, Piemonte—2.

Coun. WHITE in the chair.

APPOINTMENT OF CONSTABLES.

On motion of Councillor Piemonte, the council voted to take from the table No. 2 on the calendar, viz.:

2. Appointments by the Mayor of constables not authorized to serve civil process and to serve without bond, for the term of one year, beginning with the first day of May, 1952.

On motion of Councillor Ward the appointments were referred to the Committee on Confirmations.

Adjourned at 6.45 P.M., on motion of Councillor Piemonte, to meet on Monday, May 5, 1952, 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 5, 1952.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President PIEMONTE in the chair, and all the members present.

The Reverend Cyril E. Tolland of St. Augustine's Catholic Church, South Boston, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY REV. CYRIL E. TOLLAND.

We come before Thee, O God, to ask Thy blessing upon all the deliberations of this Council. Do not allow us, we beseech Thee, to disturb the order of justice, You who love justice above all things. Do not allow ignorance to fool us and partiality to sway our minds. Do not allow any of us by any thought, any word, or any action, to do other than Thy will, which is to temper justice with mercy, the prime and the most important of all Thy wishes. Make our every judgment in this Council be Thy judgment as well. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

JURORS DRAWN.

Jurors were drawn in the manner prescribed by law, Councillor Ward presiding at the box in the absence of the Mayor, viz:

Thirty-eight traverse jurors, Superior Criminal Court, to appear June 2, 1952:

Edward DeSpirito, Ward 1; William J. Hurley, Ward 1; James R. Schrage, Ward 1; John M. Guertler, Ward 2; Alice Dubinsky, Ward 3; Michael A. Gentile, Ward 3; Edward Gilman, Ward 3; Ernest Pagliuca, Ward 3; Elsie Dickerman, Ward 4; William Fass, Ward 5; Fatio W. Paetti, Ward 5; William J. Pucci, Ward 6; Albert F. Smith, Ward 6; Richard J. Marcell, Ward 7; William A. McLeod, Ward 7; Thomas J. McManus, Ward 10; Thomas E. O'Neill, Ward 11; George W. Cameron, Ward 12; Mary E. Cottle, Ward 12; August C. Zepf, Ward 12; George A. McDonald, Ward 13; Frank A. MacKay, Ward 13; Maurice D. Davis, Ward 14; Julius Farber, Ward 14; Samuel I. Green, Ward 14; Jacob Tuler, Ward 14; Patrick Higgins, Ward 16; John F. Cleary, Ward 17; Walter R. Casey, Ward 18; George F. Moore, Ward 18; George A. Perkins, Ward 18; Maurice H. Senders, Ward 18; John J. Dudas, Ward 19; Alfred J. Karter, Ward 20; William C. Kenney, Ward 20; Eugene L. Sullivan, Ward 20; Fred J. Shaughnessy, Jr., Ward 21; Murdock A. MacInness, Ward 22.

One hundred twenty traverse jurors, Superior Civil Court, to appear June 2, 1952:

Vincenzo Corvino, Ward 1; Joseph DiFranza, Ward 1; Ralph J. Grella, Ward 1; Marguerite L. Larsen, Ward 1; William H. Marshall, Ward 1; John Ricciardelli, Ward 1; Wilfred C. Smith, Ward 1; Guy Harry Spinazola, Ward 1; Vito Amato, Ward 3; Frances E. Callaghan, Ward 3; Domenic A. Caruso, Ward 3; Nicholas D'Andrea, Ward 3; Paul Dicicco, Ward 3; Louis Luongo, Ward 3; Joseph N. Mahanna, Ward 3; Frank Mazzarella, Ward 3; William F. Regan, Ward 3; Thomas J. Salemi, Ward 3; Nelson G. Burrill, Ward 4; Dorothy M. Kelly, Ward 4; Andrew R. Nummela, Ward 4; Harold C. Beal, Ward 5; Edward Bryce Bell, Ward 5; John A. Condon, Ward 5; Claire M. Farrell, Ward 5; Frank L. Foye, Ward 5; Daniel E. Harpell, Ward 5; Irving R. Kievan, Ward 5; Martin M. Lomasney, Ward 5; Joseph Maron, Ward 5; Agnes L. Valentine, Ward 5; Walter E. Costello, Ward 6; Frederick J. Kussman, Ward 6; Michael P. Lockary, Ward 6; William Nicholl, Ward 6; Francis M. Daley, Ward 7; William J. Nelson, Ward 7; Antonio W. Giunta, Ward 8; Panteli Leach,

Ward 8; James J. McCluskey, Jr., Ward 8; Joseph Montagna, Ward 8; James W. Barco, Ward 9; Charles P. Hart, Ward 9; John M. Lockett, Ward 9; John A. McClain, Ward 9; John Welsh, Ward 9; George Williams, Ward 9; Lewis E. Williams, Ward 9; Peter J. Bates, Ward 10; John P. Campbell, Ward 10; Charles V. Cantwell, Ward 10; George Donnelly, Ward 10; Harry E. Hewes, Jr., Ward 10; Patrick Mathews, Ward 10; Eliot R. Milliken, Ward 10; Gerald J. Quin, Ward 10; Albert C. Shea, Ward 10; Harry I. Goldstein, Ward 11; Coleman Keane, Ward 11; Harold J. McAdam, Ward 11; Joseph P. McClellan, Ward 11; John Howard Smith, Ward 11; William F. Cullen, Ward 12; Mae Harris, Ward 12; Charles A. Strother, Ward 12; Pasquale Cobuccio, Ward 13; John P. Gallagher, Ward 13; Laurence F. Mayall, Ward 13; Eleanor M. Noonan, Ward 13; Lester I. Butler, Ward 14; Irving Cantor, Ward 14; David Kaplan, Ward 14; Mario Ventrisco, Ward 14; Mary E. Hesnan, Ward 15; Lorenzo W. Mahoney, Ward 15; James J. Rogers, Ward 15; Alexander Stigas, Ward 15; John E. Breslin, Ward 16; Alfred E. Brown, Ward 16; Robert J. Carroll, Ward 16; John J. Gallagher, Ward 16; George K. Godfrey, Ward 16; Daniel J. Harney, Ward 16; Harold V. Hurley, Ward 16; James O'Sullivan, Ward 16; Charles S. Preble, Ward 16; Bartholomew P. Rush, Ward 16; Charles F. Considine, Ward 17; John Osmore Gay, Ward 17; Thomas F. Hauer, Ward 17; Anne F. Kelly, Ward 17; Kenneth S. MacDonald, Ward 17; Gordon D. MacLeod, Ward 17; Samuel N. Flasbner, Ward 18; Ann Geller, Ward 18; Stanley Hibbert, Ward 18; Joseph P. Lynch, Ward 18; John J. O'Neil, Jr., Ward 18; Jeremiah J. O'Sullivan, Ward 18; Chris J. Paras, Ward 18; Harold R. Scully, Ward 18; Owen G. Hanley, Ward 19; William A. Harkins, Ward 19; Leo S. MacDonald, Ward 19; Daniel F. O'Connell, Jr., Ward 19; Charles N. Pettis, Ward 19; Lona K. Tiepolt, Ward 19; Mary F. Connell, Ward 20; Lawrence G. Crosby, Jr., Ward 20; Edward J. Hughes, Ward 20; Leo G. Magee, Ward 20; Adam F. Moraski, Ward 20; Henry C. Porter, Ward 20; Fred J. Powers, Ward 20; Donald P. Consodine, Ward 21; Rudolf Eisler, Ward 21; Joseph Livingstone, Ward 21; William J. Needham, Ward 21; Howard A. Nelson, Ward 22; Harold J. Ring, Ward 22.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR.

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

Constable, with authority to serve civil process upon filing of bond, for term ending April 30, 1953: Francis R. Wiley, 777 Columbia road, South Boston; Saul Isaac Bearak, 6 Wales street, Dorchester; Albert E. Doody, 48 Myopia road, Hyde Park.

Weigber of Coal, for term ending April 30, 1953: Thomas J. Lydon, 7 Vinton street, South Boston.

Severally referred to the Committee on Confirmations.

INCOME ELIGIBILITY OF VETERANS IN HOUSING PROJECTS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 5, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Chairman of the Boston Housing Authority relative to your order of April 21, 1952, requesting that the Boston Housing Authority, through his Honor the Mayor, make known to the members of the Boston City Council the reason why the order of November 5, 1948, approved by the Public Housing Administration and the State Housing Board, excluding disability pensions in determining income eligibility of veterans, is not being promulgated.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Boston Housing Authority,
April 30, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Subject: City Council Order of April 21, 1952,
Concerning Veterans' Disability Payments.
My dear Mr. Mayor:

On April 21, 1952, the Honorable the City Council inquired concerning the policy of the

Authority concerning applicants and tenants receiving veterans' disability payments.

Be advised that in determining eligibility for admission or continued occupancy in both federally aided and state aided developments all of the income from veterans' disability payments is excluded.

In the case of calculating income for the purposes of fixing rents, however, all income from veterans' disability payments is included.

Both of these procedures are in full conformity with state and federal procedure.

Very truly yours,

JAMES J. MAHAR, Chairman.

On motion of Councillor Ward the message was referred to the Executive Committee.

COLLECTION OF GARBAGE AND REFUSE IN NORTH END DISTRICT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 5, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works, relative to your order of April 28, 1952, concerning the request that the garbage and refuse contractor in the North End district of the city be directed to make collections on rainy days in this district, and that the commissioner be requested to take whatever disciplinary action is deemed advisable against this contractor.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
May 1, 1952.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Mr. Shannon:

This is in reference to the following order that was passed in the City Council under date of April 28:

Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to direct the garbage and refuse contractor in the North End district of the city to make collections on rainy days in this district, and, further, that the Public Works Commissioner take whatever disciplinary action he may deem advisable against this contractor.

The refuse collection contractor in the above-referenced district not only is willing, but most anxious, to have his entire personnel work a full day on every working day of the week, rain or shine. If these collectors suspend operations on any day because of rain, it means that they are required to work overtime on the following days, with the result that the expense to the contractor normally will increase.

I have discussed this matter with the contractor assigned to the North End district, and he informed me that the union employees refused to work last Monday because of the heavy rain that fell throughout the day. They did, however, work overtime on Tuesday, and I am informed that normal collection service was restored on Wednesday of this week.

The disruption of refuse collection service in the North End area, in my opinion, on last Monday was unavoidable, for the simple reason that the men refused to work and, very frankly, I do not know of any steps that we can institute to force union men to work when they agree among themselves to suspend work due to unfavorable weather conditions. The contractor was not at fault in this particular case, and there is no necessity, therefore, of my taking any disciplinary action against him.

Respectfully yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Coun. FOLEY in the chair.

The message was referred to the Executive Committee.

ABANDONMENT OF SEWERAGE EASEMENT IN DORCHESTER.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 5, 1952.

To the Honorable the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith a communication from George G. Hyland, Commissioner of Public Works, wherein he recommends the abandonment of an easement for sewerage purposes in land of the Wood Estate between Morton street and Clearwater Drive in the Dorchester district.

Since the Commissioner of Public Works has certified that the easement is no longer required for public purposes, and since there has been no construction by the city pursuant to the order, and since no damages have been paid by the city as a result of the order of January 22, 1952, I therefore recommend the adoption of the accompanying order whereby the City of Boston may abandon the aforesaid easement upon obtaining from the trustees of the Wood Estate a release of all claims for damages arising out of the order of taking dated January 22, 1952.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
May 5, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes, Mayor, and Members
of the Boston City Council.

Gentlemen:

By an order of the Board of Street Commissioners dated January 22, 1952, an easement for sewerage purposes was taken in about 5,642 square feet of land located between Morton street and Clearwater Drive, Dorchester, being a portion of the Wood Estate. This order was adopted after a public hearing in the matter, at which hearing there was no opposition to the proposed taking.

Subsequently, representatives of the Wood Estate informed the city departments involved that they had proposed to construct a building within the limits of the taking. After negotiation between the representatives and the city officials, a new location for the sewerage easement was agreed upon, and by an order of the Board of Street Commissioners dated April 29, 1952, an easement for sewerage purposes was taken in other land of the Wood Estate.

To permit the trustees of the Wood Estate to go forward with their plans for the proposed building, it will be necessary to have adopted an order of the City Council authorizing the Mayor of Boston to declare the first taking abandoned. It is my opinion that the easement taken by the order of January 22, 1952, is no longer required for public purposes and that the same should be abandoned.

Respectfully,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Whereas, By an order of the Board of Street Commissioners approved by the Mayor of Boston January 22, 1952, the City of Boston acquired an easement for sewerage purposes in approximately five thousand six hundred forty-two (5,642) square feet of land located between Morton street and Clearwater Drive, Dorchester district of the City of Boston, hereinafter more fully described; and

Whereas, The easement for sewerage purposes acquired under said order is no longer required by the City of Boston; now, therefore, it is hereby

Ordered, That upon the delivery of an instrument by Mayo A. Shattuck and Walter Powers, trustees under the will of Frank Wood, releasing the city from all damages arising out of the taking for sewerage purposes hereinbefore referred to, the Mayor of the City of Boston is authorized to execute an instrument in writing, satisfactory in form to the Corporation Counsel of the City of Boston, to be recorded with the Suffolk Registry of Deeds, declaring that the easement in the following-described parcel of land be abandoned:

A certain parcel of land situated in the Dorchester district of the City of Boston bounded: Northerly by Morton street, ten and 78/100 (10.78) feet; westerly by land of Mayo A. Shattuck and Walter Powers, trustees under the will of Frank Wood, ninety-four and 70/100 (94.70) feet; southerly by land of the same, four hundred

seventy-four and 43/100 (474.43) feet; westerly by Clearwater Drive, ten (10) feet; northerly by land of said Mayo A. Shattuck and Walter Powers, trustees, four hundred sixty-seven and 45/100 (467.45) feet; westerly by land of the same, ninety-one and 75/100 (91.75) feet; containing approximately five thousand six hundred forty-two (5,642) square feet of land.

The above-described parcel of land, together with the location and dimensions thereof, is shown on a plan marked, "City of Boston, Plan No. 1371, Sewerage Works, Morton Street, Clearwater Drive, Dorchester, December 18, 1951, James W. Haley, Chief Engineer, Street Laying-Out Department," on file in said department.

President PIEMONTE in the chair.

The order was referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

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

Claims.

Brighton Wine Company, for compensation for accident which occurred at 381 Faneuil street, Brighton.

Harry Caplan, for compensation for damage to car by police car.

John J. Coffey, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Bridge and Ferry Division, Public Works Department.

Dajan Chemical Company, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

James J. DeLuca, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Park Department.

Michael F. DeNapoli, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Water Division, Public Works Department.

James F. Foran, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Bridge and Highway Division, Public Works Department.

Melvin Galer, for compensation for injuries caused by car.

James J. Gibbons, to be paid sum of money due him while employee of Printing Department.

Joseph B. Gorman, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Park Department.

Francis X. Kinch, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Barack Lesba, for compensation for damage to hot water system during construction of Forest Hills overpass.

Hilary J. McGunigle, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him as employee of Police Department.

Christabel C. Merrett, for compensation for damage to property at 68 West Cedar street, caused by broken water main.

Philip Noble, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at Otis and Kingston streets.

Donald Nolles, for compensation for damage to bicycle by city truck.

Mrs. Basilio Pagliuca, for compensation for collapse of water boiler at 52 Cooper street, caused by water being shut off.

Ruth D. Peters, for compensation for damage to car by city truck of Fire Department.

William E. Phillips, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Bridge and Highway Division, Public Works Department.

John J. Radley, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Chureb street, West Roxbury.

Joseph Raball, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Highway Division, Public Works Department.

Rosalind Tisa, for compensation for loss of false teeth while patient at City Hospital.

Benjamin Washington, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Water Division, Public Works Department.

John Wholey, for compensation for damage to brick wall at 11 Langley road, Brighton, caused during sidewalk construction.

William D. Wollman, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect at 20 Roxbury court.

Executive Committee.

Petition of Edward C. Reardon, officer in House of Correction, Penal Institutions Department, for retirement as veteran.

Petition of the Association of the Evangelical Lutheran Church for Works of Mercy for use of additional land for burial and cemetery purposes.

PETITIONS FOR ANNUITIES.

Petition of Anastasia F. Duffley to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, Richard P. Duffley, late member of Fire Department.

Petition of E. Elizabeth Coakley to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, Martin J. Coakley, late member of Police Department.

Referred to the Committee on Claims.

PERMITS FOR CHILDREN.

Petitions for children under fifteen years of age to appear at places of public amusement were received as follows:

Kay A. McDermott, John Hancock Hall, June 2.

Daniel D. Tierney, Jordan Hall, May 2.

Permits granted under usual conditions.

HEARINGS BEFORE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held on May 19 at 2.15 P.M. on investigation by the department as to propriety of discontinuance by the Boston & Albany Railroad of train No. 68 leaving Framingham at 6.45 A.M. and arriving at Boston at 7.45 A.M.

Notice of hearing to be held May 22 at 10 A.M. on joint petition of the Boston Consolidated Gas Company and the Old Colony Gas Company for approval of merger and issuance by the Boston Consolidated Gas Company of 13,500 shares of the par value of \$100 each to be exchanged for the entire outstanding capital stock of the Old Colony Gas Company of 39,820 shares of common stock of the par value of \$25 per share and 14,180 shares of preferred stock of the par value of \$25 a share, together having a total aggregate par value of \$1,350,000, so that after the issue thereof the total capital stock of the Boston Consolidated Gas Company shall be \$33,027,600, consisting of 330,276 shares of par value of \$100 each.

Severally referred to the Executive Committee.

CONSTABLES' BONDS.

The constables' bonds of the following, having been duly approved by the City Treasurer, were received:

Samuel J. Adelman, Alfred Blaustein, Abram Bornstein, James A. Canton, Abner Goldkrand, Edward I. Hoffman, Mark H. Krafur, Bronis Kontrin, Nathan Kravitsky, Louis Levendorf, Maurice Levine, Melvin H. Ligums, Paula M. Ligums, Alfred Lubin, Salvatore Maffei, Francis J. Melville, jr., Louis Richmond, Frank A. Roche, Francis C. Shack, Edward W. Sheeban, Sidney Sheinfeld, Frank Spano, Jerome Suvalla, Isaac Shulman, William Tatcl, William Topper, Robert C. Younken.

Severally referred to the Committee on Confirmations.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR.

Notices were received from the Mayor of the following appointments:

Charles A. Birmingham, 73 Tremont street, trustee of Boston Metropolitan District, for term ending October 24, 1953.

Harry J. Blake, 246 Summer street, member of Board of Commissioners of Sinking Funds, for term ending April 30, 1954, vice Joseph F. O'Connell, Jr., resigned.

William B. Carolan, 216 Tremont street, member of Board of Commissioners of Sinking Funds, for term ending April 30, 1955.

Herman Carp, member of Board of Real Estate Commissioners, for term ending April 30, 1955; designation as chairman.

John Codman, 30 Charles street, alternate to John F. Murphy, member of Board of Zoning Adjustment, for term ending April 30, 1957.

William H. Flynn, 41 Monument avenue, Charlestown, Director of Collateral Loan Company, for term ending January 1, 1953.

Beulah S. Hester, 11 Windsor street, Roxbury, member of Board of Overseers of Public Welfare, for term ending April 30, 1955.

Ida M. Kahn, 6 Cummings road, Brighton, member of Board of Overseers of Public Welfare, for term ending April 30, 1955.

Frank R. Kelley, 414 Columbia road, Dorchester, member of Board of Park Commissioners, for term ending April 30, 1955; designation as chairman.

Arthur J. Kelly, 95 Mt. Vernon street, member of Board of Overseers of Public Welfare, for term ending April 30, 1955.

Phillip E. Lieberman, 26 North Anderson street, member of Board of Trustees of the Statistics Department, for term ending April 30, 1957.

Robert H. Lord, 502 Washington street, Wellesley, trustee of the Public Library, for term ending April 30, 1957.

C. Clark Macomber, 19 Milk street, alternate to David F. Supple, member of the Board of Zoning Adjustment, for term ending April 30, 1957.

Louis G. Maglio, 1127 Saratoga street, East Boston, member of Board of Recreation, for term ending January 3, 1956.

George R. McNeil, 92 Greation road, West Roxbury, member of Board of Examiners, for term ending April 30, 1955.

James A. McElaney, 53 Greation road, West Roxbury, member of Board of Appeal, for term ending April 30, 1957.

Joseph A. Mitchell, 43 Hewitt road, West Roxbury, member of City Planning Board, for term ending April 30, 1957.

John F. Murphy, 53 State street, member of Board of Zoning Adjustment, for term ending April 30, 1957.

George F. Oakes, 290 Metropolitan avenue, Roslindale, member of City Planning Board, for term ending April 30, 1957.

Joseph F. O'Connell, Jr., 292 Marlborough street, member of Board of Commissioners of School Buildings, for term ending December 1, 1953.

Louise Raia, 443 Hanover street, member of City Planning Board, for term ending April 30, 1956.

David F. Supple, 21 Ocean street, Dorchester, member of Board of Zoning Adjustment, for term ending April 30, 1957.

John O. Stubbs, 53 State street, member of Board of Commissioners of Sinking Funds, for term ending April 30, 1955.

John J. Twomey, 10 Bellaire road, West Roxbury, Superintendent of Printing, for term ending April 30, 1956.

Severally referred to the Executive Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFIRMATIONS.

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

Report on appointments by the Mayor (referred April 28) of Augustine S. Gannon, Joseph Herbert Curran, Arthur N. Gordon, Thomas Cannizzaro, Andrew A. Raffoni as constables with authority to serve civil process upon filing of bond, for term ending April 30, 1953—recommending that appointments be confirmed.

Report on appointments by the Mayor (referred April 28) of Albert Sheafe, Howard A. White, Patrick J. McCarrick as Weighers of Goods for term ending April 30, 1953—recommending that appointments be confirmed.

The reports were accepted and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councillors White and Ward. Whole number of ballots, 8, yeas 8, and the appointments were confirmed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCE.

Coun. WARD, for the Committee on Appropriations and Finance, submitted the following:

Report on approval of constables' bonds (referred April 28) of the following:

Henry Atwood, Samuel C. Baker, Sidney Cohen, John D. Cole, John M. Crawford, Edward A. DeSimone, Meyer Goldstein, Louis E. Grace, Salvatore Grassa, Edward C. Gurnon, James A. Hickey, Charles I. Lesser, John A. McGillivray, Frank A. Mitchell, Phillip S. Phillips, George N. Pierce, Jacob E. Schrank, Joseph P. Schrank, Frank Shaw, Joseph Simansky, Leon Small, Clifford L. Smith, Solomon Spack, Benjamin J. Tackeff, Roman J. Vasil, Louis Yacker, Francis S. Zarthar—recommending that bonds be approved.

The report was accepted, and the bonds were severally approved.

CREDITABLE SERVICE FOR CERTAIN JANITORIAL SERVICES.

Coun. WARD and WHITE offered the following:

Ordered, That chapter 267 of the Acts of 1952, entitled "An Act Providing for the Recognition of Certain Janitorial Services Rendered in the Boston Public Schools as Creditable Service Under Certain Retirement Systems," be, and hereby is, accepted.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

ANNUITY TO ANNA M. MURPHY.

Coun. KERRIGAN offered the following:

Resolved, That the City Council of Boston favors the consideration by the Legislature of the petition now held under Joint Rule 7B providing for the payment of an annuity to Anna M. Murphy on account of the death of her husband, James G. Murphy, late member of the Boston Police Department, provided that such legislation includes a referendum to the Mayor and City Council.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

RESURFACING OF DE SOTO ROAD, WEST ROXBURY.

Coun. WHITE offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to resurface with smooth pavement De Soto road, West Roxbury.

Referred to the Committee on Public Services and Recreation.

DEATH OF MANASSAH E. BRADLEY, JR.

Coun. HAILER offered the following:

Ordered, That chapter 261 of the Acts of 1952, entitled "An Act Providing for a Presumption That the Death of a Certain Police Officer in the City of Boston Occurred in Line of Duty," be, and hereby is, accepted.

On motion of Councillor Hailer the order was referred to the Executive Committee.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF CLARENCE M. RONAN.

Coun. HAILER 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 Alexander and Dudley streets, Dorchester, in honor of Pfc. Clarence M. Ronan, of the United States Army, who was killed in action September 19, 1950, in Korea.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

ADVERTISING ADVANTAGES OF THE CITY OF BOSTON.

Coun. HAILER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Department of Public Celebrations, in conjunction with the Boston Chamber of Commerce and the Boston Hotelmen's Association, be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to make a concentrated effort to advertise throughout the nation the historical, literary, and cultural greatness as well as the resources and facilities of the City of Boston, thereby giving to nonresidents an added incentive to visit our fair city.

On motion of Councillor Hailer the order was referred to the Executive Committee.

COMPENSATORY TIME TO CERTAIN POLICE OFFICERS.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That chapter 268 of the Acts of 1952, entitled "An Act Providing that Police Officers of Certain Cities and Towns Shall Be Given an Additional Day Off Duty, or Under Certain Circumstances, an Additional Day's Pay When They Are Required to Work on Certain Legal Holidays," be, and hereby is, accepted.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Finance.

OVERTIME COMPENSATION TO CERTAIN POLICE OFFICERS.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That chapter 260 of the Acts of 1952, 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.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Finance.

RESOLUTION THANKING LIBRARY TRUSTEES AND THE DIRECTOR.

Coun. FOLEY offered the following:

Whereas, Close cooperation between the Boston City Council and the various departments is most desirable in the conduct of city affairs, and,

Whereas, In recognition of this principle the Trustees of the Boston Public Library did, on April 25, conduct the members of the Boston City Council on a complete tour of the Central Library Building of the Boston Public Library; therefore be it

Resolved, That the Boston City Council hereby expresses its gratification for this most helpful effort on the part of the Library Trustees and the Director of the Boston Public Library.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

TRADE AND VOCATIONAL SCHOOLS ACCOUNTS.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:

Ordered, That in accordance with General Laws, chapter 44, section 40, the City Clerk be authorized to have printed as a City Document a summary of the essential features of the Report of an Audit of the Accounts of the Trade and Vocational Schools and of the Coordinators of Industrial Courses at the Various Schools of the City of Boston, made by the Division of Accounts of the Department of Corporations and Taxation, dated March 31, 1952; the expense of same to be charged to the Appropriation for City Documents.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

RECESS.

On motion of Councillor Kerrigan the Council voted to take a recess at 3.35 P.M. subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled and were called to order by President PIEMONTE at 6.07 P.M.

LOAN OF \$20,000 FOR MARKET ANALYSIS BY CITY PLANNING BOARD.

Coun. FOLEY submitted the following:

Ordered, That a loan of \$20,000 be, and hereby is, appropriated, to be expended under the direction of the City Planning Board for the purpose of making a market analysis of the best economic use of the area now occupied by the Boston & Albany Railroad yards, between Huntington avenue and Boylston street, 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 of Boston to said amount.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Finance.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

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

1. Report on appointments of department heads and members of boards by the Mayor (referred today)—recommending that the appointments be placed on file.

The report was accepted, and the appointments were placed on file.

2. Report on notice from Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held on discontinuance of train from Framingham to Boston—that the notice be placed on file.

Report on notice from Department of Public Utilities of petition of Boston Consolidated Gas Company on issue of stock and purchase of Old Colony Gas Company—that the notice be placed on file.

The reports were accepted, and the notices were severally placed on file.

3. Report on message of Mayor (referred today) re exclusion of disability pensions in determining veterans' eligibility for housing—recommending reference to the Committee on Public Housing.

The report was accepted, and the message was referred to the Committee on Public Housing.

4. Report on order (referred today) that City Clerk be authorized to print as a City Document a summary of a Report of an Audit of Accounts of the Trade and Vocational Schools and of the Coordinators of Industrial Courses at the Various Schools of the City of Boston—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

5. Report on order (referred today) accepting chapter 267 of the Acts of 1952 re creditable service for certain janitorial services—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

6. Report on order (referred today) accepting chapter 261 of the Acts of 1952 re death of Manassah E. Bradley, Jr.—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

7. Report on petition (referred today) for retirement of Edward C. Reardon, officer in the House of Correction, Penal Institutions Department—recommending passage of the following:

Whereas, Edward C. Reardon, employed in the service of the County of Suffolk as correction officer in the House of Correction, Penal Institutions Department, has made application to be retired under the provisions of section 57 of chapter 32 of the General Laws, as amended; and

Whereas, The said Edward C. Reardon has submitted to the City Council satisfactory evidence that he is a veteran as defined in section 56 of chapter 32 of the General Laws; that he has been certified for retirement for disability by the duly authorized medical board; that he has been in the service of the county at least ten years; that he is incapacitated for active service; and that his total income from all sources, exclusive of his retirement allowance and of any sum received from the government of the United States as a pension for war service, does not exceed \$1,000;

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 57 of chapter 32 of the General Laws, as amended, Edward C. Reardon, employed in the service of the County of Suffolk as correction officer in the House of Correction, Penal Institutions Department, be, and hereby is, retired by the Mayor

and City Council, acting as county commissioners, at an annual pension of \$2,444, being 65 per cent of his highest regular rate of compensation.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF
PAUL EDWARD KEAVENY.

Coun. FOLEY offered the following:
Ordered, That the Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to name the junction of Brookford street and Blue Hill avenue the Paul Edward

Keaveny Square, in honor of Gunner's Mate Paul Edward Keaveny, who was killed in an explosion on the U.S.S. "St. Augustine" on December 7, 1944.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

Adjourned at 6.17 P.M., on motion of Councillor Ahearn, to meet on Monday, May 12, 1952, 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 12, 1952.

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

The Reverend Timothy J. Phelan, S.J., of the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY

REV. TIMOTHY J. PHELAN, S.J.

O Almighty and Eternal Father who presides over the destinies of nations and of men, we come unto Thy sacred presence to adore Thy goodness and implore Thy help.

Protect, we beseech Thee, our beloved city, whose richest legacy is the spirit that prizes liberty as the heritage of all men, and direct it along the paths of righteousness and justice so that our fair city shall ever be revered and honored. Guide with Thy holy spirit of counsel this assembly and assist each Councilman in all his actions by Thy divine inspiration. Give to each Councilman courage to say and do the right, to recognize not only what is his duty to Thee but what is his duty to our beloved city and each citizen of Boston.

Pour down in abundance, O Heavenly Father, Thy blessings upon all of us.

This we ask humbly and devoutly from Thee, O God, the giver of all gifts.

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 the term ending April 30, 1953: Max W. Garber, 117 Stratton street, Dorchester.

Constable with authority to serve civil process upon filing of Bond, for term ending April 30, 1953: Walter Edward Lynch, 225 Dudley street, Roxbury.

Severally referred to the Committee on Confirmations.

VETO OF ORDER RE DEATH OF
MANASSAH E. BRADLEY, JR.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 9, 1952.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I return herewith, without my signature and disapproved, the order of your Honorable Body accepting chapter 261 of the Acts of 1952.

This act purports to establish the presumption that the death of a certain police officer was caused by an accident occurring in the performance of his duty, unless proved otherwise by competent evidence.

To affirm such a presumption by the acceptance of the legislative act would establish a precedent which might open up a whole field of special legislation with disastrous results, and I do not feel that the City of Boston should be placed in such a position.

For this principal reason, I veto the order.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

On motion of Councillor Alcorn the message was referred to the Executive Committee;

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF
PAUL EDWARD KEAVENY.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 9, 1952.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Secretary of the Board of Street Commissioners, relative to your order of May 5, 1952, concerning the request to name the junction of Brookford street and Blue Hill avenue the Paul Edward Keaveny Square, in honor of G.M. Paul Edward Keaveny who was killed in an explosion on the U. S. S. "St. Augustine" on December 7, 1944.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Street Laying-Out Department,
May 8, 1952.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I have your communication of May 6, enclosing copy of Council order introduced by Councillor Foley requesting that the Committee to Memorialize Veterans designate the junction of Brookford street and Blue Hill avenue as Paul Edward Keaveny Square.

Upon checking our official records, we find that the junction of Brookford street, Blue Hill avenue, and Woodbine street is already named in honor of another veteran, and under the circumstances this committee will be unable to act on the Councillor's request. It is suggested that he designate some other junction not already named in order that this committee might act favorably in the matter.

Very truly yours,

L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

Placed on file.

MODERN LIGHTING SYSTEM IN
ROXBURY RETAIL SHOPPING DISTRICT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 9, 1952.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works, relative to your order of April 21, 1952, concerning a request for the installation of a modern 3-prong lighting system in the retail shopping district of Roxbury, along Washington street, from Eustis street to Dudley street.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
May 8, 1952.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Mr. Shannon:

This is in reference to the following order that was passed in the City Council under date of April 21:

"Ordered, That the Street Lighting Division be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install a modern 3-prong lighting system in the retail shopping district of Roxbury, along Washington street, from Eustis street to Dudley street."

It is my intention to hold an immediate conference with representatives of the Boston Edison Company and request that they take steps to effect the above-desired improvement. The area of Washington street referred to is inadequately lighted at the present time, and unquestionably improved street lighting conditions are not only desirable but necessary. It is one of the most important retail shopping areas in the Roxbury district, which is another reason for providing adequate street lighting facilities.

You may be assured, therefore, that every reasonable effort will be made to comply with the provisions of this order in the very near future.

Respectfully yours,

GEORGE G. HYLAND,

Commissioner of Public Works.

The message was referred to the Executive Committee.

PRINTING OF "CALENDAR OF EVENTS
IN BOSTON."

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 12, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

Under the provisions of section 2 of chapter 24 of the Revised Ordinances of 1947, I propose to have printed 125,000 copies of a folder bearing the title, "Calendar of Events in Boston, Spring-Summer, 1952."

This folder will be distributed through hotels, stores, theaters, etc., to the thousands of visitors who will be present in our city, attending conventions or spending vacations in the area. It will contain a calendar showing the various sporting, theatrical, and entertainment features scheduled during the period, as well as historical points of interest, sight-seeing trips, and other information to guide visitors in planning their recreational and entertainment program during their stay in our midst.

In my opinion, such a publication will not only advertise the facilities available to visitors but will also create a large measure of good will toward our city.

I submit an order authorizing the printing of this pamphlet and recommend its immediate consideration and adoption.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Ordered, That the Superintendent of Printing be authorized to print 125,000 copies of a folder entitled "Calendar of Events in Boston, Spring-Summer, 1952," the expense of such printing to be charged to the appropriation for City Documents.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Finance.

INFORMATION RE USE OF BOSTON &
ALBANY RAILROAD YARDS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 12, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Chairman of the City Planning Board, in answer to the recent order of your Honorable Body requesting information relative to the use of the Boston & Albany site at Exeter street and Huntington avenue.

The future possibilities flowing from the proper development of this site are fully recognized. There is no lack of attractive ideas and suggestions with reference to its use. There is, however, an understandable lack of interest on the part of private investors to undertake a development which involves the investment of upwards of \$50,000,000.

Your city officials, realizing the lasting benefits which will logically follow the creation of a new business area close to the heart of the city, have made repeated efforts to arouse interest on the part of those who have, or might obtain, the financial resources for the promotion of the development as envisioned. The Boston & Albany representatives have likewise made overtures to individuals and groups having recourse to venture capital. At this moment, I am awaiting decision from such a group of out-of-town financiers.

Obviously, the development of the B. & A. yards into a business area is a project of such magnitude that it precludes hasty action on the part of those who might be interested in its promotion. Obviously, too, the city government cannot, if legally it could, involve its own funds in a venture of this sort. The city government, however, by every possible means, should and will encourage private capital to go forward in what could be the most extensive and far-reaching improvement made in our city in many generations. In this respect, the city government, with proper authority, might well construct the much-needed and much-discussed auditorium-exhibition-convention building which could be the central edifice in a series of other imposing structures.

Because of the great potentialities involved in the B. & A. yards' development, and because of the widespread benefits which would accrue, it is clearly evident that there should be a pooling of

interest and assistance on the part of the railroad company, civic bodies, and the city government. The city government renews its offer to enter into such a cooperative pooling agreement.

At first blush, a market analysis of the site would appear to be advantageous. In view, however, of the fact that the City Planning Board and the real estate division of the Boston & Albany Railroad Company have assembled much information of the character included in a market analysis, it might be even more advantageous, though more costly, were a concern employed to make a complete survey of the site and its possibilities, with the added task of bringing home to possible investors, by up-to-date selling techniques, all of the information and data which large investors would require and expect. In either event, the city government stands ready to cooperate to the fullest.

In the near future, a meeting will be held by the committee appointed by me some weeks ago. A course of procedure will be discussed. The City Council, or any member of your Honorable Body, is invited to forward to this committee, through me, any suggestions which might prove valuable in this matter. Any member of the City Council will be welcome to attend the forthcoming meeting of the committee.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City Planning Board,
May 6, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

In answer to your request concerning consideration and report on City Council order asking for information on progress made toward redevelopment by private enterprise of the Boston & Albany Railroad yards since the council last inquired on the matter, I am writing as follows:

Your Honor and the Planning Board have from the beginning acted in unison and have, we believe, through joint effort solidified public opinion in accepting the viewpoint that the Boston & Albany property should be devoted solely to tax bearing use.

We have on two occasions supplied a New York group with substantial basic data, concerning land use, assessments, zoning, types of structures, etc., in the area surrounding and including the B. & A. site and have indicated our interest in giving full cooperation and any further information desired. No proposal as yet has been forthcoming from this group. We have also answered inquiries from one or two other New York interests. From a Boston real estate entrepreneur we have had the suggestion only that the site be turned into a huge parking space until such time as developers can see their way clear to build on the site. This suggestion had previously been made and discussed at a B. & A. Advisory Committee meeting.

The only other recommendation from the Advisory Committee was that a consulting economist or market analyst be engaged to determine what kind and how much demand there was for the use of this site. When asked to contribute funds to the cost of such a study there were no offers and not even a suggestion that it would be considered.

The Planning Board staff has undertaken a study for the purpose of preparing a comprehensive plan for the central business district. In this study it is recognized that the most immediate problem area is that of the B. & A. site. A preliminary inventory of commercial and industrial accommodations for the whole central area is well under way. We are thus in fact assembling basic information which is required in any market analysis study.

However, it should be borne in mind that the promotion and development of private enterprise rests with businessmen and financiers. During the past ten years several grandiose proposals have been made for the use of this site based on the knowledge that it could be protected. The obstacle has been, as it is today, financial backing. There are all kinds of sketches as to what might be built there, and students are writing theses on it, but to our knowledge no financial group or institution has come forward with a proposal for financing.

It is agreed that the first step in determining a use for the B. & A. site is the making of a market analysis, either by public or private funds or cooperatively. We will make further inquiry as to the cost of such a study and attempt to promote its being done cooperatively by city and private

funds. In the last analysis, any development of the B. & A. site depends on the action taken by private enterprise.

Very truly yours,
THOMAS F. McDONOUGH, Chairman.

The message was referred to the Executive Committee.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

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

Claims.

Anne and Peter Anastas, to be reimbursed for expenses incurred in installing new sewer drain at 31 Raven street, Dorchester.

Julia M. Balboni, for compensation for collapse of water boiler at 147-149 Kittredge street.

David J. Bluett, for compensation for damage to property by city car.

Ethel A. Flynn, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Sarah Freedman, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 1070 Blue Hill avenue.

Eva M. Ice, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Charles Street underpass.

Mrs. Frederick MacKay, for compensation for damage to property at 132 Beaver street, Hyde Park, during paving of Beaver street.

Milton Motor Mart, Inc., for compensation for damage to property at 2262 Dorchester avenue, caused by city car.

Samuel Shifres, for compensation for damage to car by dump truck.

PERMITS FOR CHILDREN.

Petitions for children under fifteen years of age to appear at places of public amusement were received as follows:

Armando Arena, Jordan Hall, May 25.

Lillafrances Viles, Hyde Park High School, May 19.

Permits granted under usual conditions.

PETITION FOR ANNUITY.

Josephine J. Hoy, to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, Frederick C. Hoy, late member of the Police Department.

Referred to the Committee on Claims.

NOTICE FROM DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.

Communication was received from the Department of Public Utilities transmitting copy of order granting petition of the Metropolitan Transit Authority of plan numbered S-b-14609, showing proposed modifications and changes in its elevated structure in the vicinity of Lowell, Willard, and Minot streets, Boston.

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:

Morton L. Bardfield, William J. DuRoss, Gaetano D. Finamore, Augustine S. Cannon, Louis Levin, Anthony Luongo, Louis H. Oppenheim, Andrew A. Raffoni, Edward J. Roekett, Sidney Williams.

ORGANIZATION OF OVERSEERS OF PUBLIC WELFARE.

Notice was received from the Board of Overseers of Public Welfare of organization as follows: chairman, Henry E. Foley; vice-chairman, Mrs. Ida M. Kahn; treasurer, Joseph E. Seanlou; secretary, William G. O'Hare.

Placed on file.

BOND OF INDEMNITY.

A bond of indemnity for Camillo DiMartino re contract with Commonwealth of Massachusetts for

furnishing and laying water pipes in Boston and Milton was received from Harold J. Toole, Director of Water Division and chief water supply engineer of the Metropolitan District Commission.

The bond was filed with the City Auditor, and the communication was placed on file.

NOTICE OF INTEREST IN CONTRACT.

Notice was received from Mary W. Cauley, Director, Department of Home Economics, School Department, of interest in sale of textbook authorized for use for Grade VII.

Placed on file.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS.

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

Report on petition of Frances M. Connelly (referred March 31) to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, Andrew E. Connelly, 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 \$1,500 be allowed and paid to Frances M. Connelly, widow of Andrew E. Connelly, a member of the Police Department who died on January 28, 1952, 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 Police Department, Pensions and Annuities.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFIRMATIONS.

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

Report on approval of constables' bonds (referred May 5) of the following:

Samuel J. Adelman, Alfred Blaustein, Abram Bornstein, James A. Canton, Abner Goldkrand, Edward I. Hoffman, Mark H. Krafur, Bronis Kontrim, Nathan Kravitsky, Louis Levendorf, Maurice Levine, Melvin H. Ligums, Paula M. Ligums, Alfred Lubin, Salvatore Maffei, Francis J. Melville, Jr., Louis Richmond, Frank A. Roche, Francis C. Sback, Edward W. Sheehan, Sidney Sheinfeld, Frank Spano, Jerome Suvalle, Isaac Shulman, William Tatel, William Tepper, Robert C. Younken—recommending approval of the bonds.

The report was accepted, and the bonds were severally approved.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF CHARLES RYAN.

Coun. WARD offered the following:

Ordered, That the Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to name the square at Wood avenue, Safford street, and Parker street, right at St. Joseph's Church in Hyde Park, in honor of Pfc. Charles Ryan who lost his life in the Battle of the Bulge while in the service of his country during World War II.

Referred to the Committee on Public Services and Recreation.

LOAN FOR WIDENING OF ADAMS STREET, DORCHESTER.

Coun. WARD and JOYCE offered the following:

Ordered, That the sum of \$125,000 be, and hereby is, appropriated, to be expended under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, for the widening of Adams street, Dorchester, from Dorchester avenue to Gibson street, and that to meet said appropriation the City Treasurer be authorized to issue from time to time, on the request of his Honor the Mayor, bonds or certificates of indebtedness of the City of Boston to said amount.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Finance.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF
PAUL EDWARD KEAVENY.

Coun. FOLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to name the junction of Clifford street and Blue Hill avenue the Paul Edward Keaveny Square, in honor of G.M. Paul Edward Keaveny, who was killed in an explosion off Cape May, New Jersey, on December 7, 1944, while serving his country in the United States Navy.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

AMENDMENT OF COUNCIL RULES.

Coun. AHEARN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Rules of the City Council for 1952-53 are hereby amended by striking out Rule 27 and inserting in place thereof the following:

RULE 27. No person, except a member of the council, shall at any time be permitted to occupy the seat, in the council chamber, of any member of the council. The city messenger shall enforce this rule.

Coun. JOYCE in the chair.

The order was passed under suspension of the rules.

ROPING OFF STREETS FOR SCHOOL
CADETS' PARADE.

Coun. PIEMONTE 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 School Cadets' Parade, to be held on Tuesday, May 27, 1952, the expense of same to be charged to the City Council appropriation for Ropes, Flags, and Stakes.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

BENCHES ON CERTAIN PARK LAND.

Coun. WARD offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to put benches on the park land on Commonwealth avenue and Chiswick road.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

Adjourned at 2.56 P.M., on motion of Councillor Ward, to meet on Monday, May 19, 1952, 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 19, 1952.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber at 2 P.M., President PIEMONTE in the chair. Absent, Councillor Ward.

The Reverend Charles Russell Peck of the Old North Church was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY REV. CHARLES RUSSELL PECK.

Almighty God Who alone giveth wisdom and understanding, inspire, we pray, the minds of all to whom Thou hast committed the responsibility of government and leadership in this city, especially the members of this Council. Give to them the vision of truth and justice that by their counsel all citizens may work together in true brotherhood and may serve Thee in unity and peace, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR.

Subject to confirmation by the Council, the Mayor submitted the appointment of William

SUPPLEMENTARY APPROPRIATIONS.

	Council Reductions.	Restorations.	Additional Requirements.	Total.
CITY MAINTENANCE	\$1,492,465 26	\$461,725 00	\$216,600 00	\$678,325 00
COUNTY MAINTENANCE	60,176 00	18,850 00	2,000 00	20,850 00
INCOME DEPARTMENTS	241,581 00	20,000 00	10,000 00	30,000 00
	<u>\$1,794,222 26</u>	<u>\$500,575 00</u>	<u>\$228,600 00</u>	<u>\$729,175 00</u>

The supplementary appropriation recommendations are allocated by departments as follows:

CITY MAINTENANCE.

RESTORATIONS:

Boston Traffic Commission	\$7,000
Election Department	8,000
Fire Department	19,600
Hospital Department	68,000
Sanatorium Division	6,000
Law Department	20,000
Library Department	90,000
Conventions and Entertainment of	
Distinguished Guests	12,000
Park Department	31,925
Police Department	12,800
Public Buildings Department	15,000
Public Welfare Department	10,000
Public Works Department	161,400

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS:

Board of Real Estate Commissioners	45,000
City Clerk	3,000
City Planning Board	20,000
Hospital Department	65,000
Registry Department	8,600
Snow Removal	75,000

Total \$678,325

COUNTY MAINTENANCE.

RESTORATIONS:

Court House Custodian	\$6,850
County Buildings	2,000
Jail	10,000

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS:

Social Law Library	2,000
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Total \$20,850

Carr, 769 Columbia road, Dorchester, as Weigher of Goods, for term ending April 30, 1953.

Referred to the Committee on Confirmations.

SUPPLEMENTARY APPROPRIATIONS AND TAX ORDER.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, May 19, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith supplementary budget recommendations for City and County Maintenance and the Income Departments totaling \$729,175. Of this sum \$500,575 represents restorations of the reductions made by the City Council and the balance of \$228,600 represents additional requirements.

I approved the budget with the reductions as passed by the City Council. At this time, I advised the various department heads concerned to re-examine their budget requirements with a view of accepting as great a portion of the reductions as might be absorbed without crippling essential department activities, and submit to the Budget Commissioner estimates of their supplementary needs. As a result of conferences on the supplementary requirements of the various departments, \$1,293,647.26 of the Council reductions will be accepted and \$500,575 of these reductions must be restored.

Since submission and passage of the original budget recommendations, certain developments have occurred which warrant additional supplementary appropriations in the amount of \$228,600. The following table shows the Council reductions, the restorations requested, plus the additional requirements needed:

INCOME DEPARTMENTS.

RESTORATIONS:

Public Works Department, Summer Tunnel	\$20,000
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ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS:

Public Works Department, Water Division	10,000
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Total \$30,000

Approximately fifty per cent (50%) of the amount of the reductions made by the City Council was taken from items for Repairs and Maintenance of Buildings, Structures, Equipment, and Parkways. The major portion of the recommended restorations, therefore, is in these items. To withhold sufficient funds for the proper maintenance of buildings and structures is false economy, as the postponement of necessary repairs must eventually result in larger expenditures. This is particularly true in the case of the city's bridges which must be maintained in proper condition for the safety of the public. The balance of the recommended restorations and the additional requirements are considered absolutely essential for the proper operation of the departments. Attached hereto is a detailed explanation of the need for the various supplemental requests.

A further supplementary appropriation will be submitted to cover the cost of the establishment of the Classification and Compensation Plan when the estimate of such cost is completed.

I trust that your Honorable Body will give prompt and favorable consideration to the Supplementary Appropriation Order submitted herewith.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, 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 the taxes.

CITY MAINTENANCE.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT.

01 - 21 Election Department.	
2. Contractual Services.....	\$ 8,000
01 - 51 Law Department.	
2. Contractual Services.....	\$20,000
01 - 61 City Clerk Department.	
2. Contractual Services.....	\$ 3,000
01 - 63 Registry Department.	
2. Contractual Services.....	\$ 8,600
01 - 71 City Planning Board.	
01 - 74 Rezoning Study.....	\$20,000
01 - 81 Public Buildings Department.	
2. Contractual Services.....	\$15,000
01 - 94 Conventions and Entertainment of Distinguished Guests.....	\$12,000
01 - 97 Public Works Department, Automotive Division.	
2. Contractual Services.....	\$12,500
3. Supplies and Materials.....	17,000
	<u>\$29,500</u>

PUBLIC SAFETY.

02 - 11 Police Department.	
2. Contractual Services.....	\$12,800
02 - 21 Fire Department.	
2. Contractual Services.....	\$19,600

HIGHWAYS.

03 - 11 Public Works Department, Bridge Service.	
CAPITAL OUTLAY	
7. Structures and Improvements.....	\$100,000
23 - 12 Bridges, Repairs, etc.	\$100,000

03 - 12 Public Works Department, Paving Service.	
3. Supplies and Materials.....	\$11,500
23 - 31 Snow Removal.....	\$75,000
03 - 41 Boston Traffic Commission.	
3. Supplies and Materials.....	\$ 5,000

CAPITAL OUTLAY

5. Equipment.....	2,000
580. Signal Equipment.....	\$2,000
	<u>\$7,000</u>

SANITATION.

04 - 11 Public Works Department, Sewer Service.	
2. Contractual Services.....	\$ 7,900

HOSPITALS.

06 - 11 Hospital Department.	
2. Contractual Services.....	\$20,000
3. Supplies and Materials.....	33,000

CAPITAL OUTLAY

5. Equipment.....	15,000
540. Household Furniture and Equipment.....	\$10,000
560. Office Furniture and Equipment.....	5,000
7. Structures and Improvements.....	65,000
26 - 11 Installations, Alterations and Repairs.....	\$65,000

\$133,000

06 - 21 Hospital Department, Sanatorium Division.	
2. Contractual Services.....	\$4,000
3. Supplies and Materials.....	1,500

CAPITAL OUTLAY

5. Equipment.....	500
594. Motorless Vehicles.....	\$500
	<u>\$6,000</u>

PUBLIC WELFARE.

07 - 62 Public Welfare Department, Central Office.	
3. Supplies and Materials.....	\$10,000

LIBRARIES.

10 - 11 Library Department.	
3. Supplies and Materials.....	\$90,000

RECREATION.

11 - 41 Park Department.	
2. Contractual Services.....	\$9,000
3. Supplies and Materials.....	16,500
4. Current Charges and Obligations.....	3,500
470. Rents.....	\$3,500

CAPITAL OUTLAY

5. Equipment.....	2,925
560. Office Furniture and Equipment.....	\$125
570. Public Works Equipment.....	2,800
	<u>\$31,925</u>

ENTERPRISES.

71 - 14 Public Works Department, Ferry Service.	
2. Contractual Services.....	\$12,500

UNCLASSIFIED.

13 - 72 Board of Real Estate Commissioners.	
2. Contractual Services.....	\$45,000

COUNTY MAINTENANCE.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT.

01 - 82 Suffolk County, Court House Custodian.	
2. Contractual Services.....	\$2,350
3. Supplies and Materials.....	2,300

CAPITAL OUTLAY

5. Equipment.....	2,200
540. Household Furniture and Equipment.....	\$200
560. Office Furniture and Equipment.....	2,000
	<u>\$6,850</u>

01 - 83 County Buildings.	
2. Contractual Services.....	\$2,000

CORRECTION.

08 - 11 Jail.	
2. Contractual Services.....	\$2,000
3. Supplies and Materials.....	8,000

\$10,000

UNCLASSIFIED.

12 - 41 Social Law Library.....	\$2,000
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INCOME DEPARTMENTS.

ENTERPRISES.

71 - 11 Public Works Department, Summer Tunnel.	
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CAPITAL OUTLAY

5. Equipment.....	\$20,000
520. Engineering and Scientific Equipment.....	\$20,000

71 - 12 Public Works Department, Water Service.	
4. Current Charges and Obligations.....	\$10,000
401. Payments for damages to persons and property.....	\$10,000

GRAND SUMMARY.

CITY MAINTENANCE.....	\$678,325
COUNTY MAINTENANCE.....	20,850
INCOME DEPARTMENTS.....	30,000
GRAND TOTAL.....	<u>\$729,175</u>

(Appended to the message was a detailed explanation of the supplementary appropriations.)
 Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Finance.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

The following petitions were received and severally referred to the committees named:

Claims.

John J. Bownes, Jr., for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Anthony J. Carrano, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Water Division.

Bessie G. Clarke, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Huntington avenue.

Margaret M. Cody, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Metropolitan avenue, Hyde Park.

John V. Condon, for compensation for damage to property at 66 Mercier avenue, Dorchester, caused by negligent maintenance of water shut-off.

Lawrence F. Curran, for compensation for damage to car by car of School Committee.

Robert H. Ford, to be reimbursed for expense of excavating at 10 Edge Hill street, Jamaica Plain.

Michael McBride, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Street Cleaning Division.

Mildred McIntyre, for compensation for injuries by negligence of city employees collecting garbage.

Angelina Murphy, for baby, for compensation for injuries caused by falling sign near Morton's store.

Michael J. O'Donnell, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Mary Pagliocco, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at Quincy street and Drayton avenue.

Solomon J. Saker, for compensation for injuries caused by police cruising car.

Rita Santiano, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 500 Commonwealth avenue.

Nathan Sugarman, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Summer street.

Michael Votta, for compensation for damage to car by paint from Public Works Department Building.

Licenses.

Petition of West Roxbury Bowling Center, by Walter C. Dennison, 119 Park street, West Roxbury, to operate bowling alleys on the Lord's Day.

PERMITS FOR CHILDREN.

Petition for children under 15 years of age to appear at places of public amusement were received as follows:

Boston Music School, Brown Hall, May 25.

Viola K. Breiding, John Hancock Hall, June 9 and 10.

Stanley E. Brown, John Hancock Hall, June 3 and 4.

Ruth M. McShane, South Boston Municipal Building, June 20.

Katherine D. O'Gorman, New England Mutual Hall, May 27.

Esther Lyons Ware, John Hancock Hall, May 22.

Virginia Williams, John Hancock Hall, June 19.

Permits granted under usual conditions.

PETITION FOR ANNUITY.

Petition of Mary V. Maher to be paid annuity on account of the death of her husband, Michael J. Maher, late member of the Fire Department.

Referred to the Committee on Claims.

APPROVAL OF CONSTABLES' BONDS.

The constables' bonds of the following, having been duly approved by the City Treasurer, were received and approved:

Howard P. Camden, Roland W. Golden, Arthur N. Gordon, John W. Herbert, Frank J. Macchia, Harry Smith, Joseph Todisco.

NOTICES FROM DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of reopening for rehearing of

petition of Transit Bus Line, Inc., for certificate of public convenience and necessity for operation of motor vehicles in towns of Walpole, Norwood, Westwood and Dedham, and City of Boston, date of hearing set for June 11, at 2.15 P.M.

Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Coun. WHITE in the chair.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of order for suspension of proposed rates and charges of the Worcester Gas Light Company until April 1, 1953.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

ORGANIZATION OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES.

Notice was received from the Trustees of the Public Library of organization as follows: President, Mr. Lee M. Friedman; Vice President, The Right Reverend Monsignor Robert H. Lord; Clerk, Miss Elizabeth B. Broekunier.

Also received was notice of the appointment of John J. Connolly and Francis X. Maloney as Assistant Clerks of Committees to serve until the next annual meeting of the Board.

Severally placed on file.

ABSENCE OF MAYOR.

Notice was received from the Mayor of absence from the city from May 14 to 17, inclusive.

Placed on file.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

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

1. Report on order (referred March 31) requesting Mayor to submit loan order for covering of Stony Brook in Roslindale, West Roxbury and Hyde Park area—that same be placed on file.

The report was accepted, and the order was placed on file.

2. Report on message of Mayor and communication (referred May 12) re installation of modern three-prong lighting system in retail shopping district of Roxbury, along Washington street, from Eustis street to Dudley street—that same be placed on file.

The report was accepted, and the message was placed on file.

3. Report on order (referred February 4) requesting Traffic Commission to revise parking regulations in East Boston with view to designating various streets as all-night parking streets—that same be placed on file.

The report was accepted, and the order was placed on file.

4. Report on message of Mayor and communication from City Planning Board (referred May 12) re development of railroad yards of Boston & Albany Railroad, between Boylston street and Huntington avenue—that same be placed on file.

The report was accepted, and the message was placed on file.

5. Report on message of Mayor and communication from the George Robert White Fund (referred March 24) re erection of special school for subnormal children—that same be placed on file.

The report was accepted, and the message was placed on file.

6. Report on order (referred February 4) that the Housing Authority withhold payments to G. L. Rugo & Sons, Inc., and/or Rugo Construction Company, Inc., until the Council inform itself as to propriety of negotiations for and execution of contracts with the city and the Housing Authority—that same be placed on file.

Report on order (referred February 4) requesting the chairman of the Housing Authority to appear before the Executive Committee in regard to contracts with G. L. Rugo & Sons, Inc., and/or Rugo Construction Company, Inc.—that same be placed on file.

The reports were accepted, and the orders were severally placed on file.

7. Report on order (referred April 28) that the Mayor confer with officials of the City of Quincy relative to sale of land owned by Public

Works Department, located at Squantum, to the City of Quincy for recreational purposes—that same be placed on file.

The report was accepted, and the order was placed on file.

8. Report on order of the Department of Public Utilities (referred April 21) *re* petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority for consent to changes in elevated structure on Causeway street, between Beverly and Medford streets—that same be placed on file.

The report was accepted, and the order was placed on file.

9. Report on message of Mayor with communication from the City Auditor (referred February 18) as to financial statement of the city as of January 1, 1952—that same be placed on file.

The report was accepted, and the message was placed on file.

10. Report on notice from the Department of Public Utilities (referred March 3) of hearing on petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority for railway track alterations in Hyde Park district—that same be placed on file.

The report was accepted, and the notice was placed on file.

11. Report on message of Mayor and communication (referred May 5) regarding collection of garbage and refuse in the North End—that same be placed on file.

The report was accepted, and the message was placed on file.

12. Report on order (referred March 24) that Public Works Commissioner install an electric light on Berkeley street, between Police Headquarters and the American Mutual Insurance Company building—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

13. Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred April 21) *re* retirement and cancellation on September 1, 1952, of issue of Traffic Tunnel Bonds, 4½ per cent, aggregating \$2,000,000, issued under Act of 1929, dated September 1, 1932, and due September 1, 1982—that same ought to pass.

Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred April 21) *re* retirement and cancellation on September 1, 1952, of issue of Traffic Tunnel Bonds, aggregating \$450,000, bearing interest at rate of 4½ per cent, issued under Act of December 1, 1932, due December 1, 1982—that same ought to pass.

The reports were accepted, and the orders were severally passed.

14. Report on order (referred February 25) that chapter 384 of the Acts of 1949 *re* granting of vacations for members of the regular or permanent police and fire forces in certain cities and towns be accepted—recommending reference of the order to the Committee on Appropriations and Finance.

The report was accepted, and the order was referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Finance.

15. Report on order (referred February 4) that Election Commissioners be requested to extend present hours for registration of voters until 9 p.m. on Monday evening of each week, except during June, July, and August—that no further action is necessary.

The report was accepted.

16. Report on communication from the State Department of Public Works relative to alterations in locations of sections of state highway (John F. Fitzgerald Expressway) with copy of layout and order of taking—that same be placed on file.

The report was accepted, and the communication was placed on file.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFIRMATIONS.

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

Report on appointment by the Mayor (referred May 5) of Francis R. Wiley, Saul Isaac Bearak, Albert E. Doody as constables, with authority to serve civil process upon filing of bond, for term ending April 30, 1953—recommending that appointments be confirmed.

Report on appointment by the Mayor (referred May 12) of Walter Edward Lynch as constable, with power to serve civil process upon filing of bond, for term ending April 30, 1953—recommending that appointment be confirmed.

Report on appointment of Max W. Garber (referred May 12) as Weigher of Goods for term ending April 30, 1953—recommending that appointment be confirmed.

Report on appointment of Thomas J. Lydon as Weigher of Coal for term ending April 30, 1953—recommending that appointment be confirmed.

The reports were accepted and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councillors Foley and Kerrigan. Whole number of ballots 7, yeas 7, and the appointments were confirmed.

NAMING OF INTERSECTION IN HONOR OF JOHN JOSEPH O'LEARY.

Coun. JOYCE offered the following:
Ordered, That the Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to name the intersection of Adams and Minot streets, in honor of the memory of John Joseph O'Leary, an enlisted seaman first-class, who lost his life while serving in the United States Navy aboard the "Destroyer-Mine Sweeper U. S. S. Hobson," on April 25, 1952.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

CELEBRATION OF HYDE PARK-READVILLE DAY.

Coun. JOYCE offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to set aside August 14, to be known and celebrated as "Hyde Park-Readville Day."

Passed under suspension of the rules.

ACCOUNTS OF VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:
Ordered, That in accordance with General Laws, chapter 44, section 40, the City Clerk be authorized to have printed as a city document a summary of the essential features of the Report of an Audit of the Accounts of Various Departments of the City of Boston, made by the Division of Accounts of the Department of Corporations and Taxation, dated May 16, 1952, the expense of same to be charged to the Appropriation for City Documents.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

RECESS.

Chairman WHITE declared a recess at 2.31 p.m. The members reassembled in the Council Chamber and were called to order by Chairman WHITE at 2.43 p.m.

APPROPRIATION FOR OFF-STREET PARKING AREAS.

On motion of Councillor Hurley the Council took from the Committee on Appropriations and Finance the message of Mayor and order (referred February 25) for appropriation of \$450,000 from the special account, "Parking Meter Fees," to be expended by the Board of Real Estate Commissioners, for acquiring of off-street parking areas.

Coun. FOLEY in the chair.

On further motion of Councillor Hurley the order was referred to the Executive Committee. Councillor Piemonte moved that the Executive Committee hold a public hearing on the matter, and the motion was passed.

AMENDMENT OF COUNCIL RULES.

Coun. FOLEY offered the following:
Ordered, That Rule 30 of the Rules of the Boston City Council be amended by the addition of the following:

"The Clerk of Committees shall mail notices of all committee meetings to all the members of the Council."

President PIEMONTE in the chair.

The order was referred to the Committee on Rules.

APPROPRIATION FROM PARKMAN FUND
INCOME.

On motion of Councillor Ahearn the message of the Mayor and order for appropriation of \$48,000 from the income of the Parkman Fund was recalled from the Committee on Appropriations and Finance and referred to the Executive Committee.

RECESS.

On motion of Councillor White the Council voted to take a recess at 3.46 p.m., subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled in the Council Chamber and were called to order by President PIEMONTE at 5.04 p.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

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

1. Report on notice from the Department of Public Utilities of order suspending proposed gas rate and charges of the Worcester Gas Light Company until April 1, 1953—recommending that the notice be placed on file.

The report was accepted, and the notice was placed on file.

Coun. PIEMONTE moved that the Corporation Counsel be advised of the contents of the notice and that he see to it that the rights of the consumers are safeguarded, and the motion was passed.

2. Report on message of Mayor and order for appropriation of \$48,000 from the income of the Parkman Fund to the Park Department (referred today)—recommending that the order ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the order was passed, yeas 8, nays 0:

Yeas—Councillors Ahearn, Foley, Hailer, Hurley, Joyce, Kerrigan, Piemonte, White—8.
Nays—0.

INFORMATION RE CITY PLANNING
BOARD.

Coun. FOLEY offered the following:

Ordered, Under section 17-F of chapter 452 of the Acts of 1948, as amended by chapter 376 of

the Acts of 1951, the City Council of Boston makes the following inquiries of his Honor the Mayor, to be answered on Monday, June 2:

1. What is the present status of all plans for reorganization of the City Planning Board?

2. What is the opinion of the Executive Department of the city government as to the advisability of immediately increasing the rate of compensation of at least one senior planner of the City Planning Board to \$6,500 per year?

3. What is the policy of the Executive Department of the city government with respect to the ultimate appropriation and personnel allowance which it believes the City Planning Board should be allowed?

4. What is the rate at which the Executive Department of the city government believes the expansion of the City Planning Board should proceed—in terms of increase in appropriations and personnel per year?

Passed under suspension of the rules.

NAMING OF BUILDING FOR JOHN J.
CROWLEY, JR.

Coun. WHITE offered the following:

Ordered, That the Superintendent of Public Buildings be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to name the new building which is now being constructed by the City of Boston on Mission Hill, Roxbury, in honor of Pfc. John J. Crowley, Jr., a former three-letter athlete at Mission High School, from which he graduated in 1950, who enlisted in the United States Marine Corps on February 7, 1951, and who was killed in action in Korea on October 3, 1951.

Referred to the Committee on Public Services and Recreation.

Adjourned at 5.18 p.m., on motion of Councillor White, to meet on Monday, May 26, 1952, 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 26, 1952.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President PIEMONTE in the chair. Absent, Councillor Ward.

The Reverend Gerald L. Dolan of St. Andrew's Roman Catholic Church, Forest Hills, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY REV. GERALD L. DOLAN.

Our Father Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.

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, for term ending April 30, 1953: Thomas McDonough, 542 East Fourth street, South Boston.

Referred to the Committee on Confirmations.

ELECTRIC LIGHT ON BERKELEY STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 26, 1952.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of May 19, 1952, requesting to have an electric light installed on Berkeley street, Boston, between Police Headquarters and the American Mutual Insurance Company Building.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
May 22, 1952.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Mr. Shannon:

This is in reference to the following order that was passed in the City Council under date of May 19:

"Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to have an electric light installed on Berkeley street, Boston, between Police Headquarters and the American Mutual Insurance Company Building."

An immediate survey will be made to determine the necessity of installing a light in the location referred to above. If the findings of the survey are in the affirmative, arrangements will be made to have the light installed in the near future.

Respectfully yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

BENCHES ON CERTAIN PARK LAND.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 21, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Chairman of the Park Department relative to

your order of May 12, 1952, concerning a request that benches be put on the park land on Commonwealth avenue and Chiswick road.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, May 16, 1952.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a memo from your office with attached enclosure, City Council order requesting that benches be placed on the park land at Commonwealth avenue and Chiswick road.

This land was purchased by the City of Boston and the work for replanting and designing it into a park has practically been completed.

The matter of placing benches on this area will be taken under consideration.

Very truly yours,
FRANK R. KELLEY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

CONTINUATION OF EMPLOYEES' STEP-RATE INCREASES.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 22, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Budget Commissioner relative to your order concerning step-rate increases for employees. As you will note, this matter is being considered in conjunction with the adoption of the compensation and classification plan for employees which will shortly be put into effect.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Budget Department, May 12, 1952.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of order passed by the City Council on April 28, 1952, and reading as follows:

"Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to investigate the advisability of instructing all department heads to continue step-rate increases in their respective departments until such time as the new reclassification plan is adopted."

Appropriations for step-rate increases were not included in the 1952 departmental budgets recently passed by the City Council for the reason that it is intended to submit a supplementary appropriation order to establish a new Compensation Plan in connection with the reclassification of city employees now being completed by the Civil Service Division. This plan in fixing the compensation of the employees will make allowances for step-rate increases due this year under the present compensation schedules.

Very truly yours,
JOHN A. SULLIVAN,
Budget Commissioner.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Finance.

INFORMATION RE CITY PLANNING BOARD.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 22, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

With respect to your order of recent date concerning the City Planning Board, I beg to offer the following information:

The plans for a thorough reorganization of the City Planning Board must now be reconsidered in the light of the lack of action on the part of the Legislature to give the Planning Board greater statutory authority. This legislation will again be considered by the Legislature at the next session. In the meantime, if it is decided that organizational improvements can be made by way of ordinance, such an ordinance will be presented to your Honorable Body.

On the question of compensation for expert planners, it has been our experience that qualified city planners are most difficult to obtain unless the salary inducement is somewhat comparable to the salary paid in other cities. Any recommendations made by the City Planning Board in this respect will be honored by this office.

Appropriations for the City Planning Board will be adjusted from time to time as necessity arises. The present appropriations are, as you know, greater than they were a few years ago. As the Planning Board achieves more power and authority, it naturally will widen its scope, and in widening its scope and duties must, necessarily, receive additional appropriations. As you perhaps know, other cities with a lesser population and with lesser problems relative to planning devote more money to planning. This situation we are correcting, and I believe our Planning Board within a reasonable time will be prepared to accept its true place in the municipal picture.

I am encouraged to know that the City Council is interested in the scope and duties of the Planning Board, for I am of the belief that for too long a period of time the potentials of our Planning Board have not been utilized to the fullest.

This is not a healthy situation. Therefore, I shall, as the occasion arises, call upon the City Council to give its approval to recommendations for broadening the activities of the Planning Board. A vigorous Planning Board, with a competent staff, can be a very valuable asset to our city.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

RESIGNATION OF WILLIAM H. LYNCH AS CONSTABLE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 26, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I have accepted the resignation of William H. Lynch, 236 Kittredge street, Roslindale, as a constable authorized to serve civil process, as of May 26, 1952.

Respectfully,
J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

Placed on file.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

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

Claims.

John J. Craven, for compensation for damage to property at 120 Beacon street, Hyde Park, during street construction.

Mrs. Kenneth Crowell, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 24 and 26 Fabyan street.

Frank A. DiPietro, for compensation for injuries caused by city truck.

Frank Esposito, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at Union and Marshall streets.

Lona Hewitt, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 783 Adams street.

William E. Jackson, for compensation for damage to car by city car.

Frank J. Jacobs, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him on account of his acts as employee of Traffic Division.

Mr. and Mrs. David Levitt, for compensation for damage to property at 12 and 14 Wilcock street, Dorchester, caused by leak in water pipe.

St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, for compensation for damage to property at 149 Roxbury street, caused by fire apparatus.

Walter F. Walsh, for compensation for damage to car by police car.

Richard Ward, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect in Tuttle street.

Committee on Licenses.

Petition of North Station Bowling Alleys, by Joseph H. Bruno, 222½ Friend street, Ward 3, to operate bowling alleys on the Lord's day.

PETITIONS FOR ANNUITIES.

Petition of Helen L. Broadbent, to be paid annuity on account of the death of her husband, Ernest Broadbent, late member of the Police Department.

Petition of Anna E. McBrine, to be paid annuity on account of the death of her husband, Francis V. McBrine, late member of the Police Department.

Severally referred to the Committee on Claims.

APPROVAL OF CONSTABLES' BONDS.

The constables' bonds of Joseph W. McCleary, Andrew J. Palermo, and Morris Youman, having been duly approved by the City Treasurer, were received and approved.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFIRMATIONS.

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

Report on appointment by the Mayor (referred May 19) of William Carr as Weigher of Goods for term ending April 30, 1953—recommending confirmation of appointment.

The report was accepted, and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councillors White and Foley. Whole number of ballots 8, yeas 8, and the appointment was confirmed.

SURVEY OF MOZART SCHOOLYARD.

Coun. WHITE and HAILER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Department of School Buildings be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to make a survey of the schoolyard surrounding the Mozart School, Roslindale, with a view to making available a larger recreation area for the children of that section.

Referred to the Committee on Public Services and Recreation.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF JOSEPH P. LYNCH.

Coun. HURLEY submitted the following:

Ordered, That the Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to name the junction of River street and Sturbridge street, Mattapan, the Joseph P. Lynch Square, in honor of Seaman 1/c Joseph P. Lynch who was killed in action in the Pacific Theater on May 11, 1945.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMISSION ON SINGLE SALARY SCHEDULE FOR TEACHERS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Finance Commission, May 21, 1952.
To the Honorable the City Council.
Gentlemen:

You have before you the recommendation of the Mayor for an additional appropriation for the School Committee amounting to \$2,204,976.46, the largest amount of which is for instruction expenditure. It is the intention of the School Committee to use a portion of this item to put into operation the so-called single salary schedule for teachers which was recommended by the Finance Commission in the Strayer School Survey Report of 1944.

The Finance Commission is therefore offering to you for the public record the salary ranges for teachers in the larger cities of the country which have adopted the single salary principle.

Respectfully submitted,
THE FINANCE COMMISSION,
EDWARD F. MULLEN, Chairman.

TEACHERS SINGLE SALARY — LARGE CITIES.

Educational Preparation.

City.	Bachelor Degree 4 Years.	Master Degree 5 Years.	6 Years.
Boston (proposed)	\$3,100-\$5,500	\$3,500-\$5,900	— —
Los Angeles	3,000- 4,800	3,300- 5,100	\$3,600-\$5,400
San Francisco	3,300- 5,400	3,600- 5,875	3,900- 6,300
Washington	3,130- 4,763	3,663- 5,313	— —
* Chicago	† 3,000- 4,910	† 3,460- 5,890	— —
New Orleans	2,544- 3,950	2,656- 4,250	— —
Baltimore	3,000- 5,000	3,200- 5,200	3,400- 5,800
Detroit	3,150- 5,257	3,350- 5,467	— —
Minneapolis	2,900- 5,100	3,200- 5,400	3,400- 5,600
St. Louis	2,600- 4,600	2,800- 4,800	— —
Buffalo	2,800- 5,200	3,000- 5,400	— 5,600
Cincinnati	2,700- 5,000	2,700- 5,000	— —
Cleveland	3,075- 4,875	3,075- 5,175	— —
Philadelphia	2,800- 4,800	3,000- 5,200	— —
Pittsburgh	2,900- 5,100	3,100- 5,300	— —
Milwaukee	3,215- 5,215	3,315- 5,515	— 5,646
Houston	2,403- 4,200	2,628- 4,410	— —
New York	3,000- 5,900	3,200- 6,100	— —

* Not under single salary.

Boston — At Present: † High School \$3,384-\$5,256

‡ Elementary and Intermediate \$2,952-\$4,392

OTHER NEW ENGLAND CITIES.

Educational Preparation.

City.	Bachelor Degree 4 Years.	Master Degree 5 Years.	6 Years.
Worcester	\$2,700-\$4,350	\$3,000-\$4,650	\$3,300-\$4,950 (above 6 years)
Providence	2,400- 4,800	2,400- 4,800	— —
New Haven	2,200- 4,500	2,300- 4,800	2,300- 5,000 (above 6 years)
Hartford	2,750- 4,850	2,900- 5,300	3,050- 5,750
New Bedford	2,360- 3,400	2,560- 3,600	— —
Somerville	2,700- 4,000	2,900- 4,200	— —
Springfield	2,712- 4,572	2,862- 4,972	3,012- 5,372
Cambridge	2,500- 5,000	2,500- 5,000	— —

Source — Kansas City Survey of February 6, 1952.

MAXIMUM SALARIES FOR CERTAIN SUPERVISORY PERSONNEL.

City.	Headmaster or Equivalent.	Principal or Equivalent.
Los Angeles.....	\$9,202	\$7,700
San Francisco.....	9,300	8,300
Washington.....	6,630	5,630
Chicago.....	8,230	8,230
Baltimore.....	8,650	8,650
Boston (proposed)..	8,000	8,000
Detroit.....	9,483	7,908
Minneapolis.....	8,085	7,140
St. Louis.....	7,700	6,563
New York.....	13,000	9,100
Cincinnati.....	7,925	6,575
Cleveland.....	7,825	6,225
Philadelphia.....	7,600	6,600
Pittsburgh.....	7,508	6,253
Houston.....	7,245	7,245
Milwaukee.....	7,946	7,346
Median of Cities over 500,000...	7,936	7,193
Worcester.....	6,500	5,650
Providence.....	7,000	6,200

Source — National Education Association, September 25, 1951.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Finance.

PROPERTY OWNERS TO PROVIDE REFUSE CONTAINERS.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That chapter 264 of the Acts of 1952, entitled "An Act Requiring Owners of Tenement and Apartment Houses in the City of Boston to Provide and Maintain Therefor Suitable Receptacles for Ashes, Garbage, Refuse, and Other Like Matter," be, and hereby is, accepted.

Referred to the Committee on Ordinances.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS.

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

1. Report on petition of Elizabeth Coakley (referred May 5) to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, Martin J. Coakley, late member of the Police 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 fifteen hundred dollars be allowed and paid to Elizabeth Coakley, widow of Martin J. Coakley, a member of the Police Department, who died on August 29, 1951, 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 Police Department, Pensions and Annuities.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

2. Report on petition of Hilary J. McGunigle (referred May 5) 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 the accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of one thousand two hundred forty-three dollars and seventy-three cents (\$1,243.73) be allowed and paid to Hilary J. McGunigle 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 appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

3. Report on petition of Cecil Dickinson (referred April 28) to be reimbursed for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as a member of the Boston Fire Department—recommending passage of the accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of seven hundred ninety-five dollars (\$795) be allowed and paid to Cecil Dickinson in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as a member of the Boston Fire Department, said sum to be charged to the appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

4. Report on petition of Harry B. Dwyer (referred April 28) to be reimbursed for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as an employee of the Public Buildings Department—recommending passage of the accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of three hundred dollars (\$300) be allowed and paid to Harry B. Dwyer in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as an employee of the Public Buildings Department, said sum to be charged to the appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

5. Report on petition of Hugh F. Lynch (referred April 14) to be reimbursed for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as a member of the Boston Fire Department—recommending passage of the accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of ninety-five dollars and ninety-two cents (\$95.92) be allowed and paid to Hugh F. Lynch in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as a member of the Boston Fire Department, said sum to be charged to the appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

The reports were accepted, and the orders were severally passed.

PARKING PRIVILEGES FOR PARAPLEGIC VETERANS.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:

Ordered, That the paraplegic veterans of World War I, World War II, and the Korean hostilities, certified by the Veterans Administration as being the result of service-connected injuries, or such veterans who are in receipt of a paraplegic automobile grant, shall have exclusive parking privileges, for treatment purposes, in front of Veterans Administration Medical Center, 17 Court street, and that such area shall be so marked by the Traffic Commissioner, and that the Police Department shall be notified of such marked area.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

LIST OF MATTERS PENDING BEFORE COUNCIL ON DECEMBER 31, 1951.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:

Ordered, That the City Clerk be requested to furnish the City Council with a list of and status of orders and resolutions pending before committees of the City Council of 1950-1951, as of December 31, 1951, and of any resolves, orders, petitions or other matters pending before the Council as of December 31, 1951; said report to be filed with the Council on June 2, 1952.

Coun. AHEARN in the chair.

The order was passed under suspension of the rules.

COPIES OF STUDY RE VOTING MACHINES.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to furnish the Council and its member-

ship, on or before June 2, copies of the study relative to the advantage of voting machines and prospective purchase of additional voting machines as published in the Boston press of May 25, 1952, and that an attested copy be filed with the City Clerk.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

FURNISHING OF STUDIES AND REPORTS RE CITY BUSINESS.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to furnish the City Council with any future studies or reports made relative to business of the city, city departments, and subdivisions as soon after their completion as is reasonably convenient and that a copy of said studies be filed with the City Clerk.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

RECESS.

On motion of Councillor White the Council voted at 2.45 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 PIEMONTE at 3.04 P.M.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT.

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

Report on petition of the Association of the Evangelical Lutheran Church for Works of Mercy (referred May 5) for use of additional land for burial purposes in the West Roxbury section—recommending passage of the accompanying order:

Ordered, That permission be hereby granted to the Association of the Evangelical Lutheran Church for Works of Mercy, the proprietor and owner of Gethsemane Cemetery, to use for burial purposes and as a cemetery, a certain parcel of land owned by it in the West Roxbury district of Boston, and adjacent to its present cemetery, containing 7 3-10 acres of land, more or less, as shown on a plan of "Land in Boston, Mass., West Roxbury District, May 3, 1951, William S. Crocker, Civil Engineer, Successor to Aspinwall & Lincoln, 46 Cornhill, Boston, Mass.," a copy of which plan is filed herewith, and bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at the northerly corner of Gethsemane Cemetery and thence running S 31° 26' 20" E about 953.72 feet by land previously approved

for burial purposes, thence by land of the Association of the Evangelical Lutheran Church for Works of Mercy by ten courses as follows:

N 35° 47' 20" E 53.37 feet; N 30° 10' 20" W 85.32 feet; N 4° 39' 40" E 246.66 feet; N 17° 15' 30" W 205.81 feet; N 61° 31' 30" E 130.36 feet; N 37° 55' 30" E 64.46 feet; N 10° 10' 00" W 195.68 feet; N 24° 48' 10" W 120.07 feet; N 32° 17' 00" W 235.94 feet; and S 47° 12' 30" W 529.11 feet; to the point of beginning containing about 7 3-10 acres.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

HEARINGS BY COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCE.

President PIEMONTE stated that the Committee on Appropriations and Finance would begin to hold its public hearings on the supplementary budget submitted by the Mayor on Wednesday, May 28, at 10 A.M.

HEARING ON APPROPRIATION OF \$450,000 FOR OFF-STREET PARKING AREAS.

Coun. WHITE, Chairman of the Executive Committee, announced that on Tuesday, May 27, at 11 A.M., the Executive Committee would conduct a hearing on the transfer of \$450,000 from the income of parking meter fees for the purpose of establishing off-street parking areas in various sections of the city, and that all persons interested were invited to attend and express their opinions.

CONFERENCE ON USE OF BOSTON & ALBANY FREIGHT YARDS.

President PIEMONTE announced that on Tuesday, May 27, at 11 A.M., the Mayor was having a conference on the future use of the Boston & Albany freight yards, between Boylston street and Huntington avenue, and that the members of the Council were invited to be present.

Adjourned at 3.10 P.M., on motion of Councillor Foley, to meet on Monday, June 2, 1952, 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 2, 1952.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President PIEMONTE in the chair. Absent, Councillor Ward.

The Rev. Francis J. Lally, assistant editor of the "Pilot", Franklin street, Boston, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY REV. FRANCIS J. LALLY.

O Almighty and Eternal God, look down with special favor upon those to whom Thou hast committed the responsibility of framing the laws of our city; teach them to labor in every way for the general welfare and never permit themselves to be persuaded by special privileges. Let us be reminded that all authority springs from a single source and every good law is a participation in the one eternal law of God.

Direct then we beseech thee, O Lord, all thy deliberations by Thy holy inspiration and carry them on by thy gracious assistance, that every prayer and work of theirs may begin always from Thee and through Thee be happily ended. Amen.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

JURORS DRAWN.

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

Twenty-two grand jurors, Superior Criminal Court, to appear July 7, 1952:

Louis DePaolo, Ward 1; Charles H. Flanigan, Ward 1; Margaret E. Skane, Ward 1; Paul H. Richards, Ward 2; Edward T. Tumulty, Ward 2; Adio diBicari, Ward 4; Joseph C. Pare, Ward 5; Frank G. Jordan, Ward 7; Richard T. Burrell, Ward 9; Edward Martin, Ward 9.

Arthur M. Brown, Ward 10; Joseph L. D. Paradise, Ward 12; William H. Paul, Ward 12; Nathaniel H. Williams, Ward 12; Leland A. Woodsworth, Ward 12; Arthur Colombo, Ward 13; Abraham Orent, Ward 14; Kathleen A. Calvin, Ward 16; Daniel W. Carrick, Ward 17; Edward Kramer, Ward 18; James McGurl, Ward 18; Frank Pfund, Ward 20.

Fifty-three traverse jurors, Superior Criminal Court, to appear July 7, 1952:

James Trocano, Ward 1; Francis J. Maguire, Ward 2; Burt L. Pendlebury, Ward 2; Vincenzo Antolini, Ward 3; Arnold H. Eger, Ward 3; Reginald Forster, Ward 3; Louis Giudice, Ward 3; Nicholas Palermo, Ward 3; Domenic A. Palmariello, Ward 3; Marco Roberto, Ward 3; Simon Sternburg, Ward 4; Roland A. Lamb, Ward 5; William B. Butler, Ward 6; Andrew F. Hartung, Ward 6; James Lewis Grout, Ward 8; Frederick G. Kelley, Ward 8; Irvin W. Rupert, Ward 8; Alexander W. E. Korn, Ward 9; David D. Sullivan, Ward 9.

John M. Cunningham, Ward 10; George L. Forest, Ward 10; Coleman J. Kelley, Ward 10; Kenneth F. MacGregor, Ward 10; Joseph R. Sullivan, Ward 10; Stanley Richards, Ward 11; Francis L. J. Schatz, Ward 11; Harry Morrison, Ward 12; John J. Reid, Ward 12; Herman E. Willis, Ward 12; Joseph Goldberg, Ward 14; Abraham Malmad, Ward 14; Abraham Moseon, Ward 14; Jacob Satz, Ward 14; Etta Shapiro, Ward 14; Goerge Swartz, Ward 14.

Arthur W. Baumeister, Ward 15; John O. Dasey, Ward 15; Patrick J. McCabe, Ward 15; Conrad J. Sanford, Ward 15; John A. Varnerin, Ward 15; Joseph J. Benkert, Ward 16; Thomas Kitt, Ward 16; John J. O'Brien, Ward 16; Joseph

T. Murtha, Ward 17; Joseph T. Greeley, Ward 18; Stanley L. Sinclair, Ward 18; James P. Griffin, Sr., Ward 19; John J. Killackey, Ward 19; Allison W. MacDonald, Ward 19; Harry M. Nasif, Ward 19; William E. Turkington, Ward 19; Frederick R. Cronin, Ward 20; Wilfred J. Thorpe, Ward 20.

APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR.

Subject to confirmation by the Council, the Mayor submitted the appointment of Frank Zucaro, 75 Cottage street, East Boston, as constable, with authority to serve civil process upon filing of bond, for term ending April 30, 1953.

Referred to the Committee on Confirmations.

STUDY RELATING TO VOTING MACHINES.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 29, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

With reference to the order adopted by your Honorable Body on May 26, 1952, requesting consideration of the "study" relative to the advantages of voting machines, I beg to state that I am informed that no such a study has been made.

Some years ago a report was requested and furnished by the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and is on file in the office of the Election Commission. This report is available for the perusal of any member of the City Council. All information and communications of whatever sort concerning voting machines is also available in the office of the Election Commission.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Placed on file.

PRINTING OF "INFORMATION CONCERNING OPERATION OF CITY-OWNED MOTOR VEHICLES" AS CITY DOCUMENT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 2, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

Last year at my request, the Boston Municipal Research Bureau made an over-all study and analysis of the management of the city's automotive equipment. In a report submitted under date of September 15, 1951, the Bureau summarized its findings and recommended that in order to develop improved management techniques applicable to all departments the city should establish a committee to consist of the heads of the equipment services of the Public Works, Fire, Police and Park Departments and the Traffic Commission. This committee would review existing practices and procedure and suggest ways to improve equipment management in those departments utilizing automotive equipment.

In line with this recommendation, I appointed the Mayor's Automotive Advisory Committee consisting of the heads of the automotive divisions in the larger departments. Since the establishment of the committee, its members have met regularly and through these conferences and discussions have arrived at agreements on measures designed to improve the operation and maintenance of city automotive equipment. I have recently received from the committee a copy of a manual which it is recommended be printed for distribution among the chauffeurs and drivers of automotive equipment in city departments. This manual provides for the establishment of an Automotive Accident Review Board which, as its name indicates, will review each accident in which a city vehicle is involved to determine the category in which the accident should be classified—preventable or nonpreventable. In the opinion of the committee, the establishment of such a board is of primary importance because of the influence it can exert in the proper training and control of chauffeurs and drivers. Besides describing the workings of this Board, the pamphlet defines in considerable detail the various types of accidents which may be

prevented by a careful and alert driver. In my opinion, the publication of this pamphlet and its distribution among the operators of the city's automotive equipment will constitute a constructive step toward improving management methods and procedures in the operation of departmental motor equipment. I therefore submit an order providing for the printing of this pamphlet as a city document and respectfully recommend adoption of this order by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

(Annexed was a copy of the proposed pamphlet.)

Ordered, That fifteen hundred copies of a pamphlet entitled "Information Concerning Operation of City-Owned Motor Vehicles" be printed as a city document for distribution to the drivers of city motor vehicles.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Finance.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

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

Claims.

Joseph J. Dembowski, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Sewer Division.

Marion A. DiMaggio, for compensation for damage to clothing by being sprayed by water truck.

Michael J. Flynn, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 1918B Beacon street.

Charles H. Hurd, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

James H. Kelly, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Sewer Division.

Irene Kruger, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 68 Beacon street.

Hilary J. McGunigle, for compensation for damage to topcoat while on duty as police officer making arrests.

Stephen & Irene F. Seraphin, for compensation for injuries and damage to car by police cruising car.

Angelo J. Spina, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Park Department.

Michael Trunfio, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Highway Division.

Antonio Tufo, for compensation for collapse of water boiler at 12 Bungalow road, West Roxbury, caused by water being shut off.

The Wilson School, for compensation for damage to table when school was used as polling place.

Mariano Zarella, for compensation for collapse of water boiler at 55 Cooper street, caused by water being shut off.

PERMITS FOR CHILDREN.

Petitions for children under 15 years of age to appear at places of public amusement were received as follows:

Mary G. Bowen, Suffolk University Hall, June 6.

Gertrude Dolan, Jordan Hall, June 13, 20, and 27.

Rosalie Fuccello, John Hancock Hall, June 11.

Gloria Gerhasi, Recital Hall, June 1.

Anna Bobitt Gardner, Jordan Hall, June 6.

South End Music Centre, Brown Hall, June 11.

Permits granted under usual conditions.

PETITION FOR ANNUITY.

Petition of Mary V. Murphy, to be paid an annuity on account of the death of her husband, John C. Murphy, late member of the Fire Department.

Referred to the Committee on Claims.

APPROVAL OF CONSTABLES' BONDS.

The constables' bonds of the following, having been duly approved by the City Treasurer, were received and approved:

Irving E. Bennett, Thomas Cannizzaro, Joseph H. Curran, John A. D'Arcy, Albert E. Doody, Carmen J. Lauria, Walter E. Lynch, and Eli Sternberg.

HEARING BEFORE PORT OF BOSTON AUTHORITY.

Notice was received from the Port of Boston Authority of hearing on July 1, at 10:30 A.M., at office of the Port of Boston Authority, Commonwealth Pier 5, re application of City of Boston and Boston Consolidated Gas Company for change in the United States Bulkhead Line, as approved by the Secretary of War February 13, 1890, as shown on plan on file at the Authority.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMISSION RE SUBURBAN OFF-STREET PARKING AREAS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Finance Commission, June 2, 1952.

The Honorable the City Council.

Gentlemen:

The City Council is currently considering the authorization of \$450,000 from parking meter revenue for the purpose of acquiring off-street parking areas in so-called neighborhood or suburban business centers. The proposal to acquire such areas springs from the conviction, which is universally held, that business survival and progress is contingent upon adequate parking facilities for patrons. The principle is applicable to the more-or-less self-contained suburban areas of a city no less than to the downtown area.

For the purpose of selecting such business centers and designating suitable off-street parking locations therein, the staff of the Planning Board has made studies and prepared preliminary plans of areas for off-street parking in Brighton center, Fields Corner, Upham's Corner, Cleary square in Hyde Park, Broadway in South Boston, a second area in Brighton and Roslindale square. The administration of this program is under the control of the Board of Real Estate Commissioners.

The Chairman of the Board of Real Estate Commissioners is also considering areas in East Boston and Mattapan, but the statute (chapter 776, Acts of 1949) requires that in order to divert parking meter revenue to off-street parking acquisition, such areas must be situated not more than 600 feet from a metered area, and within 600 feet of a building zoned for business; these areas have not yet been metered for parking.

The present plans show suggested sites in the above-named business centers; in most cases, two or three possible sites in each section. The Chairman emphasizes the preliminary character of these plans, and adds that before any final action is taken on selection, a formal vote of approval by the Traffic Commissioner and the Planning Board will be sought; furthermore, that each proposal will receive a public hearing before the Board of Real Estate Commissioners. The Traffic Commissioner and the senior traffic engineer have conferred with the Board of Real Estate Commissioners on the sites but much more study will be needed by them to form a sound judgment on each of these proposals from the traffic viewpoint.

An examination of the preliminary plans developed by the Planning Board staff suggests certain considerations which must be borne in mind in the selection of sites:

1. An off-street parking area possesses a great capacity to influence the shape and development of that general business area.

2. It must be decided whether to locate the parking area in such a way as to draw the business community together or spread it further.

3. A decision must be made between taking an area at relatively great expense to secure a central location, and locating at a spot which is less expensive but of diminishing general utility because of distance from the center.

4. It is obvious that any selection will be opposed by those businesses which will benefit least because of distance from the parking site.

5. Business centers invariably occupy both sides of a main thoroughfare. The fact of the thoroughfare and the shopping habits of patrons

will favor businesses on that side of the street where the parking area is located; equalization may require two parking areas in any case.

6. Not every business center under consideration is a concentrated business development; in some cases, the development is "ribbon" in character and strung out along a relatively great length. Under such circumstances, it will be difficult to locate a parking area which will perform uniform and central service.

7. To the extent that some areas may entail the taking of dwellings, the proposal is rendered that much more difficult.

The selection of these neighborhood parking areas falls immediately within the scope of more than one municipal agency. The Traffic Commission should determine whether the unsatisfied traffic demand and patron volume warrant a particular site; and whether access to and exit from such an area are well chosen. The Planning Board has a special interest in the matter for several reasons: (1) parking areas will affect the development of the business center involved, a development which should conform to the general plan of the Planning Board; (2) the proposal to re-zone the city, currently under consideration, is pertinent at this point inasmuch as it will involve the determination of whether to promote or restrict the business use of a particular area, or whether the area should be re-zoned for another use.

In view of the considerations set out above, it seems to the Finance Commission that the Council should inquire carefully into these proposals. Anticipating the objection that active inquiry might be construed as violating the dictum that the Council must not interfere with administration, it may be pointed out that the Council's power to appropriate can be exercised intelligently in this matter only by a thorough understanding of all the implications of these proposals.

These proposals represent a new municipal venture. Their implications reach beyond the scope of any one department and involve policy making at the highest level.

Respectfully submitted,
 EDWARD F. MULLEN, Chairman,
 LEO J. DUNN,
 FREDERICK DEANE,
 JOSEPH K. COLLINS,
 EDWARD U. LEE,
 The Finance Commission.

ROBERT E. CUNNIFF,
 Secretary.

Placed on file.

LIST OF PETITIONS, ORDERS, AND RESOLUTIONS PENDING BEFORE CITY COUNCIL, DECEMBER 31, 1951.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
 Office of City Clerk, May 29, 1952.

To the City Council.
 Gentlemen:

In compliance with your order of May 26, 1952, requesting a list of any orders, resolutions, petitions, etc., pending before the City Council or committees of the City Council of 1950-1951 as of December 31, 1951, I respectfully submit the attached report of all orders, resolutions, etc., which were referred to various committees and no further action taken thereon.

Respectfully,
 W. J. MALLOY,
 City Clerk.

COMMITTEE.	SUBSTANCE OF PAPER.	DATE REFERRED.
1950.		
EXECUTIVE.	City Council to determine duly elected councillor from Ward 9	Jan. 30
	Playground, Ward 17, to be named for John J. Cheever, Jr.	June 19
	Acceptance of chapter 538, Acts of 1950, temporary minor repairs, private ways	Aug. 21
	Use of voting machines, primary election	Sept. 25
	To print copies of "Calendar of Events"	Oct. 9
	Certain officials to appear before Executive Committee on sale of garbage	Oct. 23

COMMITTEE.	SUBSTANCE OF PAPER.	DATE REFERRED.
EXECUTIVE.	To collect \$2,511 from Chamber of Commerce spent on Jubilee	Oct. 23
	Election Commissioners to appear before Executive Committee relative to improvement of future elections	Nov. 13
	Transfer, \$7,000 to City Hospital; Transfer, \$8,000 to Conventions and Entertainment of Distinguished Guests	Dec. 11
	Resolution authorizing borrowing of money for new City Hall	Dec. 11
	Appropriation, \$100,000, for Off-Street Parking Facilities	Dec. 18
APPROPRIATIONS.	To set up new Architect Department	Jan. 16
FINANCE.	Favoring loan order to convert gas lights to electricity	May 1
HOSPITALS.	Additional nurses, City Hospital	Mar. 27
LEGISLATIVE MATTERS.	Resolution favoring conference with Governor Dever on rent control	April 17
	Members of Council to be informed of any legislation concerning Boston	Oct. 9
LICENSES.	Petition, Eastern Massachusetts Street Railway Company to operate motor vehicles, Revere-Boston line to Haymarket square, etc.	Nov. 13
PUBLIC HOUSING.	Information relative to certain tenant in Charlestown Housing Project	Jan. 9
PUBLIC SAFETY.	Corporation Counsel to render opinion on licenses for Drive-In Theatres	April 24
	Public hearings by Traffic Commissioner on one-way streets	Dec. 11
PUBLIC WELFARE.	To compensate welfare recipients employed outside districts where they live	Feb. 20
	To place certain persons at St. Francis Refuge on welfare rolls	Feb. 27
PUBLIC WORKS.	District Attorney to inquire into certain paving contracts	April 24
	Merger of Bridge, Ferry and Highway Divisions of Public Works Department	May 1
	Transfer of unexpended balance in Public Works Department, Workmen's Compensation Service, to Law Department, Workmen's Compensation Service	Sept. 25
1951.		
EXECUTIVE.	To place Suffolk County Jail employees on 40-hour week	Jan. 8
	List of names of all persons obtaining accommodations in housing projects during past year	Jan. 8
	Members of Housing Authority to appear before Executive Committee meeting	Mar. 5
	Civil Defense Director to set aside \$50,000 for Amateur Radio Communications Division	Mar. 12

COMMITTEE.	SUBSTANCE OF PAPER.	DATE REFERRED.	COMMITTEE.	SUBSTANCE OF PAPER.	DATE REFERRED.
EXECUTIVE.	Legislation providing for additional surety on contracts	Mar. 12	PUBLIC SAFETY.	Director of Civil Defense to appear before committee regarding steps taken to protect citizens from bombing attack	Aug. 27
	Resolution endorsing Senate Bill 268, providing for recovery of lost animals	Mar. 12		Commending police of Division 15, Charlestown	Dec. 17
	Report on proposed incinerator, Brighton	Mar. 19	PUBLIC WELFARE.	To establish White Fund Units, South Boston and Charlestown	July 23
	Housing Authority to reconsider rent increases in low-rent projects	April 30		Investigation into methods of placing patients in rest homes by City Hospital	Sept. 10
	To delay off-street parking, Copley square	May 14		Welfare Department to accept affidavit regarding recipients' incomes	Oct. 15
	Election Commissioners to appear at Executive Committee regarding plans for primary and election	May 21	PUBLIC WORKS.	"Slow" signs at G street and Shore Drive	July 23
	To improve grounds, Carter Field	May 21	RULES.	Painting or shingling of houses not to be cause for increasing assessment	May 28
	To open playground, Roxbury and King streets	May 21		Laid on the table.	
	To transfer Chief of Fire Prevention Bureau	May 28		On motion of Councillor Joyce to furnish all the members of the Council with copies of the foregoing list, the motion was carried.	
	Transfer, \$10,000, to Finance Commission	May 28			
	To reimburse Laurence H. Banks for legal expenses	Aug. 6			
	To install outside drying facilities at Old Harbor Project	Aug. 6			
	MTA to paint uprights, Main street, Charlestown	Oct. 29			
	Improvements, Charlestown Housing Project	Oct. 29			
CONFIRMATIONS.	To investigate Constable Ligums	Dec. 17			
HOSPITALS.	Hospital Trustees to appear before Council regarding ambulance drivers	Jan. 15			
	To investigate handling of emergency cases at City Hospital	Jan. 22			
	Establishment of psychiatric department at City Hospital	Feb. 19			
	Conference regarding meal tickets at City Hospital	Oct. 8			
LEGISLATIVE MATTERS.	Resolution opposing sales tax	Mar. 5			
	Examination of circus performers before issuing permits	May 21			
	Resolution opposing Senate Bill 659, reducing unemployment compensation	June 4			
	To extend time for choosing of 4 per cent or 5 per cent pension system	June 11			
ORDINANCES.	Providing washroom facilities in restaurants	April 9			
	To increase salary of Public Works Commissioner	Nov. 19			
	Insurance against damage or theft to be carried by open-air parking areas	Dec. 3			
PARKMAN FUND.	Income of Parkman Fund to be used only for improvement of park system	Feb. 19			
PARKS AND PLAY-GROUNDS.	Transfer of Schoolboy Stadium to Park Department	July 16			
PUBLIC HOUSING.	Resolution protesting rent increases, low-income projects	April 30			
	To expedite construction of Franklin Field Project	May 21			
PUBLIC LANDS.	Exchange of lands, Delmont street, Dorchester, with Giuseppa Seminara	April 30			
PUBLIC SAFETY.	Corporation Counsel to prepare ordinance penalizing traffic failing to heed sirens	Aug. 27			

COMMEMORATIVE EXERCISES AT SAVIN HILL PARK.

Coun. JOYCE offered the following:

Ordered, That the Department of Public Celebrations be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to hold suitable commemorative exercises at Savin Hill Park, at the site of a marker there stating that at that point on June 6, 1630, the first landing of colonists was made. This year marks the 322d anniversary of the founding of Dorchester.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF JAMES RAGO.

Coun. PIEMONTE 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 Hanover and Clark streets, Boston, in honor of Staff Sergeant James Rago, Army Air Force, who lost his life in the Asiatic Area on March 27, 1945, while in the service of his country during World War II.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

PRINTING OF STREET BOOKS.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Superintendent of Printing be authorized and directed to print 500 paper-bound copies of the 1951 edition of the book entitled "Boston Streets," said copies to be distributed under the direction of the City Messenger; the expense of same to be charged to the Appropriation for City Documents.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Finance.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF ANTHONY D. ALBONDY.

Coun. HURLEY 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 Merri-mac and Pitts streets, Boston, in honor of Aerial Gunner Anthony D. Albondy, who lost his life on February 7, 1945, while in the service of his country.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF
PETER J. CIRAFICE.

Coun. HURLEY 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 Charles and Chambers streets, Boston, in honor of Aviation Chief Machinist Mate Peter J. Cirafice, a member of the crew of the USS "Indiana," who lost his life on April 5, 1946, in the Pacific, while in the service of his country.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF
STEPHEN HENRY LYDON.

Coun. HURLEY 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 Winthrop street and Blue Hill avenue, Roxbury, in honor of Seaman First-Class Stephen Henry Lydon, who lost his life on July 13, 1943, while in the service of his country during World War II.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

EXPERIMENTAL RECREATIONAL
PROGRAM ON LONG ISLAND.

Coun. FOLEY offered the following:
Ordered, That an experimental recreational program be established cooperatively by the Park Department, the Hospital Department, and the Board of Recreation on the southern end of Long Island during the period June 15, 1952, to September 15, 1952, as follows:

1. Utilization of several suitable locations as picnic areas for families and other groups during the hours of daylight.
2. Construction of two outdoor picnic ovens, according to plans to be prepared by the Board of Recreation.
3. Admission to and use of the area on pass only, such passes to be issued to responsible parties by the Park Department.
4. Evaluation of interest aroused by the Board of Recreation with a view toward further development of the area.

On motion of Councillor Foley the order was referred to the Executive Committee.

PAYMENT OF SCHOOL TEACHERS AT
CLOSE OF SCHOOL.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to confer with the members of the Boston School Committee for the purpose of devising ways and means of giving to teachers the customary two checks at the close of school in June instead of one check in June and the other in July.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

INVITATION TO NEW YORK STOCK
EXCHANGE.

Coun. WHITE offered the following:
Whereas, The proposed bill to double the tax on gross incomes of financial business in the City of New York is considered by dealers in stocks to be discriminatory; and

Whereas, These brokers threaten to move from the city if the proposed bill is passed by the New York City Council; therefore be it

Resolved, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to invite these business leaders to move the New York Stock Exchange to Boston, thereby making Boston again a great financial center.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

LOAN FOR CONSTRUCTION OF BRIDGES.

Coun. HURLEY moved to recall from the Committee on Appropriations and Finance the order for loan of \$2,845,000 for Construction of Bridges, etc. (referred April 28).

Under the rules a rising vote of three members being necessary to recall this order from committee and no other members having joined Councillor Hurley the motion was lost.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON
CONFIRMATIONS.

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

Report on appointment (referred May 26) of Thomas McDonough as Weigher of Goods—recommending that appointment be confirmed.

The report was accepted, and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councillors Foley and White. Whole number of ballots 7, yeas 7, and the appointment was confirmed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON
ORDINANCES.

Coun. AHEARN, for the Committee on Ordinances, submitted the following:

Report on order (referred May 26) accepting chapter 264 of Acts of 1952 *re* maintenance of suitable receptacles for ashes, garbage, etc., by owners of tenement and apartment houses—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

SCHEDULE OF FEES CHARGED BY
FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Coun. JOYCE offered the following:
Ordered, That the Committee on Appropriations and Finance be directed to make a detailed study of the schedule of fees charged by the City of Boston under the jurisdiction of the Fire Department.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

RECESS.

On motion of Councillor Foley, the Council voted to take a recess at 3.43 p.m., subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled in the Council Chamber and were called to order by President PIEMONTE at 4.46 p.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

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

1. Report on message of the Mayor (referred May 26) *re* reorganization of City Planning Board—recommending that same be placed on file.

The report was accepted, and the message was placed on file.

2. Report on notice from Port of Boston Authority (referred today) *re* hearing relative to change in United States Bulkhead Line—recommending that the Law Department, the City Planning Board, and the Department of Public Works be advised of this notice; to take steps necessary to protect interests of city and that the notice be placed on file.

The report was accepted, the recommendations adopted and the notice was placed on file.

3. Report on order (referred today) that experimental recreational program be established cooperatively by Park and Hospital Departments and Board of Recreation on southern end of Long Island—recommending reference to Committee on Public Services and Recreation.

The report was accepted, and the order was referred to the Committee on Public Services and Recreation.

APPROPRIATION AND PERSONNEL
ALLOWANCE OF CITY PLANNING
BOARD.

Coun. FOLEY offered the following:

Ordered, Under section 17F of chapter 452 of the Acts of 1948, as amended by chapter 376 of the Acts of 1951, the City Council of Boston re-submits the following inquiry to his Honor the Mayor, to be answered on Monday, June 16:

What is the policy of the Executive Department of the city government with respect to the ultimate appropriation and personnel allowance which it believes the City Planning Board should be allowed?

Passed under suspension of the rules.

HEARING BEFORE COMMITTEE ON
PUBLIC SERVICES AND RECREATION.

Upon receiving unanimous consent to make a statement, Councillor White announced that on

Thursday, June 5, at 11 A.M., the Committee on Public Services and Recreation would conduct a public hearing on Councillor Foley's order to establish an experimental recreation area on Long Island and that the various heads of the Park Department, the Institutions Department, and the members of the Committee on Public Services and Recreation are to be notified to appear.

Adjourned at 4.55 P.M., on motion of Councillor Joyce, to meet on Monday, June 9, 1952, 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 5, 1952.

Special meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 1 P.M., President PIEMONTE presiding. Absent, Councillor Ward. 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 Mayor, June 3, 1952.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

You are hereby requested to assemble in the Council Chamber, City Hall, on Thursday, June 5, at 1 P.M., to consider action on an appropriation of \$1,200,000 for the establishment of a compensation plan for certain employees; and to take action on any other matters coming before or pending before your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Placed on file.

Upon request of the President, the City Clerk stated that copies of the notices for the special meeting were sent, by registered mail, to the nine members of the Council by the Mayor's office on June 3, 1952.

APPROPRIATION FOR CLASSIFICATION AND COMPENSATION PLAN.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, June 5, 1952.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

Starting a year ago last January, the J. L. Jacobs Company of Chicago began a survey to develop a Classification and Compensation Plan for the employees of the City of Boston, exclusive of certain departments, namely Police, Finance Commission, Library, School, Department of School Buildings, and the Uniformed Force of the Fire Department. Briefly, the purposes of this survey are as follows:

(a) To establish uniform classifications based on the duties and responsibilities of the respective positions covered in the survey.

(b) To establish uniform and standard titles for similar positions and to simplify the classification and promotion of employees.

(c) To determine fair and equitable salaries for the different classifications of positions on the basis of character and importance of the duties, and on prevailing salaries in the Boston metropolitan area, and in the state service.

Because of the anticipated adoption of the Classification and Compensation Plan no salary increases, step-rate or otherwise, other than those in the departments mentioned above, were included in the budget as submitted on the first Monday in February of this year.

The first year cost of the plan will be \$1,200,000. In subsequent years, this annual cost will be considerably reduced.

After the first year of operation, the benefits of the plan will be evident. The status of the city employee will be stabilized to a great extent. The existing inequities will gradually disappear. The competent employee will be recognized. The public will be better served.

Herewith, I am forwarding a communication from the Budget Commissioner, under whose immediate direction the plan was formulated.

This communication contains information relative to the details of the plan. If your Honorable Body desires additional information, it will be furnished by the Budget Commissioner.

In order that the amount involved in the establishment of the plan may be included in this year's tax levy, I most earnestly request that the

accompanying appropriation order be given prompt and favorable approval by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,

Budget Department, June 5, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes,

Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

The recommendations contained in the recent survey by the Jacobs Company for the establishment of a Classification and Compensation Plan for city employees are divided into two parts. First, a Classification Plan, the adoption of which is the responsibility of the Department of Civil Service of the Commonwealth, and, second, a Compensation Plan, the adoption of which is the responsibility of the City Administration. The Compensation Plan has been studied by your Executive Committee on Administration composed of City Auditor Charles J. Fox, Division Engineer John DeMeulenaer, and myself, and after conferences this committee has proposed a Compensation Plan which to some extent alters the recommendations of the Jacobs Company.

The results of the survey were published insofar as they concerned the classification grade numbers, and each employee was informed of his recommended classification grade number. At the time these recommendations were published, the Compensation Plan developed by the Jacobs Company was not given publicity because it was felt the classifications recommended by the survey were only recommendations and under the law the final responsibility for classifying employees rests with the Division of Civil Service of the Commonwealth.

During the past few months each department head has had an opportunity to appear before the Director of Civil Service and discuss the various recommendations of the survey and signify his agreement with these recommendations or to recommend changes which he felt were more equitable than the survey. The Director of Civil Service has taken these various recommendations under consideration and expects to complete his study so that each individual employee will be notified of his classification by the first of July of this year. Under these circumstances, the proper procedure for the city would be to wait until the employees have been notified by the Director of Civil Service before announcing a Compensation Plan. It is necessary, however, if the Compensation Plan is to be effective as of April 1 this year, to present to the City Council as soon as possible a supplementary appropriation to cover the cost of inaugurating this plan so that action may be taken by the Council and the appropriation included in the tax levy. Before presenting this supplementary appropriation, it was decided to present to the representatives of the various employee organizations the main features of the Compensation Plan, even though the classifications are not definitely determined. Without doubt, some of the recommended classifications of the survey will be changed by the Civil Service.

The Compensation Plan recommended by the survey, contains several different types of rate tables such as a 40-hour table for certain grades, a 35-hour table for all grades, including 40-hour employees, an 18-month table for other employees, and a longevity provision for certain grades and not for others.

Under the proposed Compensation Plan, which had been presented to employee representatives, all these various compensation tables have been merged into one and the classification grades adjusted accordingly. In some instances this procedure will alter the grade numbers contained in the Classification Plan originally recommended by the Jacobs survey. This proposed compensation plan also liberalizes the benefits to the employees. Instead of a 42-month scale from minimum to maximum it retains the 10-year and 20-year longevity provisions, but provides for a 36-month scale from minimum to maximum.

To further liberalize the benefits over the Jacobs Plan, it is proposed that when an employee is initially placed in the Compensation Plan in accordance with the classification allocated by the Civil Service Department, he shall be given the rate to which he would be entitled if the number of years served by him in the grade in which he is now serving had been served after such allocation and also shall be credited with the total number

of years of his service, provided, however, that no increase in the initial allocation to the salary schedule because of credit for years of service, or otherwise, shall exceed \$500.

This liberalization of the Jacobs Compensation Plan will increase the estimated initial cost made by the Jacobs concern. It is estimated that a supplementary appropriation of \$1,200,000 will be necessary for the balance of the year in order to place this Compensation Plan in operation retro-active to April 1.

While the initial cost of establishing the proposed plan exceeds that estimated by the Jacobs concern, the total over-all cost to the city will not materially exceed the estimate of the Jacobs concern in this respect, namely, \$2,700,000.

In the absence of definite knowledge concerning the classifications to be officially determined by the Director of Civil Service, it is impossible to determine by departments the exact amounts required. In order that funds may be included within the tax levy which, under existing law, must be established on or about June 15, it is recommended that a lump sum appropriation in the amount previously stated be made. When the Director of Civil Service has officially established the classification of employees and the initial increases are to be approved under departmental payrolls the City Council will be requested to transfer from this lump sum appropriation the specific amounts required for the individual departments.

Respectfully yours,
JOHN A. SULLIVAN,
Budget Commissioner.

Ordered, That the sum of one million two hundred thousand (\$1,200,000) dollars be, and hereby is, appropriated for the purpose herein-after specified, said sum to be raised by taxation on the polls and estates in the City of Boston, and that all orders hereinafter or heretofore passed by the City Council relating to appropriations, taxes, and the interest thereon, apply to the appropriations and taxes herein provided for.

Classification and Compensation Plan,
Establishment of.....\$1,200,000.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Finance.

MEMBERSHIP IN STATE-BOSTON RETIREMENT SYSTEM.

Coun. WHITE offered the following:

Ordered, That chapter 379 of the Acts of 1952, entitled "An Act Relative to Membership in the State-Boston Retirement System," be, and hereby is, accepted.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

APPROPRIATION OF \$450,000 FOR OFF-STREET PARKING AREAS.

Coun. HALLER moved that the order for an appropriation of \$450,000 for acquiring off-street parking areas (referred May 19) be recalled from the Executive Committee.

The President stated that the order being in Executive Committee less than 60 days, suspension of the rules was necessary to recall the order from said committee.

The question came on the suspension of the rules, and the motion was lost, less than six members voting to suspend the rules.

RECESS.

On motion of Councillor White, the Council voted to take a recess at 2.05 P.M., subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled in the Council Chamber and were called to order by President PIEMONTE at 4.15 P.M.

PERMITS FOR CHILDREN.

Petitions for children under 15 years of age to appear at places of public amusement were received as follows:

Lillian Arden Chiampa, doing business as East Boston Dance Academy, John Hancock Hall, June 16, 1952.

Edna Nitkin, Recital Hall, June 8, 1952.
Rose E. Sidman, John Hancock Hall, June 18, 1952.

Permits granted under usual conditions.

HEARINGS BEFORE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held at its hearing room on July 3, 1952, at 10 A.M., on petition of Plymouth & Brockton Street Railway Company and South Shore Coach Lines, Inc., for operation of vehicles in Boston and other cities and towns.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

ABSENCE OF MAYOR.

Notice was received from the Mayor of his absence from the city from May 29, 1952, to and including June 1, 1952.

Placed on file.

APPOINTMENT OF HENRY E. FOLEY.

Notice was received from the Mayor of the appointment of Henry E. Foley to be a member of the Board of Trustees of Boston City Hospital, for term ending April 30, 1957, vice Martin J. English, M.D., resigned.

Placed on file.

SPECIFIC OFF-STREET PARKING AREAS.

Coun. FOLEY offered the following:
Whereas, The Boston City Council is aware of the acute parking problem in certain business areas of the city; and

Whereas, The Boston City Council is empowered with certain statutory authority with respect to purchase of land for public use; and

Whereas, Passage of the present order would result in the abdication of one field of the authority of the Boston City Council and make it impossible for the Council to properly discharge its responsibility; therefore be it

Resolved, That the Boston City Council request his Honor the Mayor to forward to it an order transferring a specific sum from the parking meter fund to the off-street parking fund with specific description included in and as a part of the order by metes and bounds of the area to be purchased and developed or orders for such specific sums as are necessary for other incidental expenditures connected with the development of an off-street parking program.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

Adjourned at 4.18 P.M., on motion of Councillor Joyce, to meet on Monday, June 9, 1952, 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 9, 1952.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President PIEMONTE in the chair. Absent, Councillor Ward.

The Reverend Walter D. McClane, 74 Waumbek street, Roxbury, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY

REV. WALTER D. McCLANE.

Let us pray. We thank Thee, dear Lord, our Heavenly Father, for this, our city, the City of Boston, the city of refuge to which people of all races and from all nations have come as a refuge from persecution and oppression, to enjoy the blessings of liberty, freedom, and justice.

We thank Thee at this time for the good men and women of years gone by who served well and gave of their time and energy to make this city a city of noble traditions and of outstanding culture.

At this time, dear Lord, and in this place, we ask a special measure of blessing upon the Mayor of this great city and upon the members of the Boston City Council. Teach them, O Lord, that it was not by accident that they were lifted to the high office which they enjoy, but it is as a result of the faith of the people, faith in them that they would administer the government of the city in honesty, in tenderness, and for the best good of all concerned. Teach them, Heavenly Father, that they are the representatives before people of God, the agents of God, and to God they must give an account of their stewardship.

Bless, Heavenly Father, this great country of ours. May no harm ever come to these shores. Grant that this great nation of ours may ever stand before the world as the exponent of peace and good will.

We ask Thee to forgive us at this time for our sins, and to give us the strength, dear Lord, and the courage each day to live nobly and to fear not. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

WIDENING OF BEACON STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 9, 1952.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I send you herewith an order for the acceptance of chapter 183 of the Acts of 1952 authorizing the City of Boston to widen Beacon street on the south side. I also send you a communication from the Commissioner of Public Works in which he explains a plan to widen Beacon street, from Charles to Park street, on the northerly side.

Your acceptance of this act will permit the taking of not more than 6 feet from the southerly or Boston Common side of Beacon street. Upon acceptance by your Body, a hearing will be held before the Street Commissioners to take a similar portion of the northerly or State Street side of Beacon street. In short, Beacon street will be widened by the use of present sidewalk space on both sides of that street.

This minor improvement on that portion of Beacon street, from Charles street to Park street, will permit of a much freer flow of traffic. At the present time, especially during the peak of traffic hours of the day, this section of Beacon street is highly congested and causes serious traffic snarls. Prompt action on the part of your Body on the acceptance of the accompanying order will permit of the rapid accomplishment of this improvement.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
June 4, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

In order to expedite and facilitate the flow of traffic in Beacon street, City Proper, between Park street and Charles street, we are preparing a plan which provides for the narrowing of the existing sidewalks on the northerly side of Beacon street, from a point opposite Park street to a point west of Walnut street, and it is also our intention to narrow the existing sidewalk on the southerly side of Beacon street, between Park street and Charles street.

The work on the north sidewalk (State House side) will start at a point opposite Park street at the end of the present roadway widening project that is being done by a contractor under the direction of the State Department of Public Works. The latter-referenced project included the widening of the roadway area of Bowdoin street, between Mt. Vernon and Beacon streets, as well as the widening of the roadway area of Beacon street. Our proposed widening of the roadway of Beacon street by narrowing the north sidewalk from its present width of approximately 12 feet to a new width of 8 feet will, in effect, constitute a continuation of the state project.

The proposed narrowing of the sidewalk on the southerly side of Beacon street, between Charles street and Park street, is authorized under the provisions of chapter 183 of the Acts of 1952. However, under the provisions of section 2 of the above-referenced act, said act must be accepted by a vote of the City Council before it is effective. I respectfully recommend, therefore, that an order be introduced in the City Council accepting the latter-referenced act.

The proposed roadway widening of Beacon street by narrowing both sidewalks between the above-referenced limits will, I feel, constitute a major traffic improvement at relatively small cost. As you well know, the section of Beacon street between Park and Charles streets is badly congested at the present time, particularly in the late afternoon, and the narrowing of the sidewalks will—as stated hereinbefore—unquestionably expedite and facilitate the flow of traffic.

I suggest, therefore, that the above-referenced proposed order be introduced at an early date, in order that this desired improvement can be effected by the department during the summer months.

Respectfully yours,

GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Ordered, That chapter 183 of the Acts of 1952, entitled "An Act Authorizing the City of Boston to Use a Portion of Boston Common for the Purpose of Widening Beacon Street in Said City," be, and hereby is, accepted.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

PARKING PRIVILEGES FOR PARAPLEGIC VETERANS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 6, 1952.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Boston Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of May 26, 1952, concerning the request that paraplegic veterans of World Wars I and II and the Korean hostilities be granted exclusive parking privileges in front of the Veterans Administration Building at 17 Court street, and that such area be so marked.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
June 5, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

With reference to City Council order of May 26, 1952, ordering that paraplegic veterans of World Wars I and II and the Korean hostilities be granted exclusive parking privileges in front of the Veterans Administration Building at 17

Court street, I wish to report that with officers of the Veterans Administration I have inspected the premises, and provision is being made for parking on Court street and Cornhill.

With the cooperation of the Police Department this may be effective, but there is no law available in Massachusetts which permits any authority to reserve a space on a public highway for the exclusive use of a person or class of persons.

The Massachusetts Legislature passed a special act to provide a parking space for members of the Legislature, and the legality of that act has never been tested. Since it was an act of the Legislature no doubt its effectiveness will not be questioned, but there is no authority granted to any agency of government to accomplish exactly what your Council order requests.

Accordingly, by a compromise, mutually satisfactory to the paraplegics, the Veterans Administration, the Traffic Commission, and the Police Department, a satisfactory solution to this difficulty is being worked out.

Respectfully yours,

WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

PERMIT FOR MINOR CHILDREN.

The petition of Mildred Kennedy, for children under 15 years of age to appear at New England Mutual Hall, June 9, 1952, was received and granted under the usual conditions.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

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

Claims.

Adams Sales Company, for compensation for damage to car by car of Fire Department.

Carl Bettano, for compensation for damage to clothing by fire extinguisher.

Daniel Callahan, to be reimbursed as result of an execution issued against him on account of his acts as employee of Park Department.

Palmina Celata, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect in Horace street.

Ruth Collins, for compensation for loss of bathrobe at City Hospital.

Robert V. Crowley, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him on account of his acts as employee of Park Department.

Linda Danis, for compensation for injuries caused by city truck.

John Donnelly & Sons, for compensation for damage to property by city truck.

Gladys Eichwald, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 4515 Washington street.

Daniel Epstein, for compensation for injuries caused by car of Fire Department.

James D. Ford, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Minnie Graham, for compensation for injuries caused by defective door at Cambridge Street Branch Library.

Edith I. Hadler, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Elm Hill avenue.

Joseph W. Harkins, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him on account of his acts as employee of Sewer Division.

James P. Harrington, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect in Berkeley street.

Audrey Maguire, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Park street.

Vincent B. McGaffigan, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Sanitary Division.

Caroline M. Muzichuk, to be reimbursed for expenses incurred in repairing leak at 204 Bay State road.

Gennaro Nonni, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Sewer Division.

Nathan Robbins, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 1234 Washington street.

Margaret H. and Victor J. Sano, for compensation for injuries and damage to car by city truck.

James P. Travers, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at Rindge street, Florence street and Brown avenue.

Clarence S. Warner, for compensation for damage to tricycle by fire apparatus.

Waverly Heating Supply Company, for compensation for damage to property at 31 Union street, caused by leak in water pipe.

John L. Wallace, to be reimbursed for expenses incurred in repairing drains at 35 Warwick street, Roxbury.

Alma R. Will, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Congress street.

Evelyn Wolfe, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 104 Brunswick street.

Mary J. Anderson, for compensation for collapse of water boiler at 46 Grampian Way, caused by water being shut off.

Louise Augustine, for compensation for injuries and property damage caused by city motor vehicle.

APPROVAL OF CONSTABLES' BONDS.

The constables' bonds of Francis R. Wiley and Andrew Martin, having been duly approved by the City Treasurer, were received and approved.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ORDINANCES.

Coun. AHEARN, for the Committee on Ordinances, submitted the following:

Pursuant to the notice of meeting, which is made a part of these records by incorporation, a meeting of the Committee on Ordinances was held on Thursday, June 5, 1952, at 10 A.M.

Councillor Francis X. Ahearn, Vice Chairman of the Committee, presided and called the meeting to order.

Notice of the absence of Councillor Ward from the city was read.

The first matter to be taken up was the order that chapter 212 of the Acts of 1952 entitled "An Act Providing that the City Council of the City of Boston, May, with the Approval of the Mayor of Boston, Fix Certain Salaries."

After due deliberation and discussion, it was "Voted, That the Committee on Ordinances recommend its Adoption."

The committee then took up the petition filed by Council President Piemonte under date of April 7, 1952, amending section 16 of chapter 3, and also amending chapter 24 of the Revised Ordinances of 1947; and also the petition for amendment of the same ordinance filed by his Honor the Mayor on April 21, 1952.

After due deliberation and discussion, it was "Voted, That the Committee on Ordinances report favorably the petition to amend the ordinance filed by his Honor the Mayor and that the petition filed by City Council President Piemonte be reported on that petition of his Honor the Mayor."

The committee then took up the report of the Finance Commission dated February 21, 1952, and introduced in the Council on February 25, 1952, re Fire Code, City of Boston.

After due deliberation and discussion, it was Ordered, That the Corporation Counsel of the City of Boston be requested to furnish the City Council with a detailed statement as to the statutes of the proposed fire code, the approximate date as to when it will be completed, if it is not yet completed, and to furnish the City Council with 10 copies of the code or as much of the code as is now prepared.

The committee then took up the various petitions relating to notices of DPU hearings and which are identified as follows:

DPU 9790, dated January 30, 1952, introduced in the City Council February 4, 1952.

DPU 9791, dated January 25, 1952, introduced in the City Council February 4, 1952. (Fremont street, Dorchester.)

DPU 9791, dated January 25, 1952, introduced in the City Council February 4, 1952. (Fremont street, Dorchester, corrected copy.)

After due deliberation and discussion, it was "Voted, That these be severally placed on file and

Ordered, That the Corporation Counsel of the City of Boston be requested to furnish the City Council with a detailed list of all ordinances, statutes and regulations issued in pursuance thereto, governing the required notice in matters

affecting the City of Boston or its citizens relative to hearings before the Department of Public Utilities on petitions of this nature; the general practice and procedure followed by the city with reference to such petitions; the specific procedure and action followed by the city in respect to the hearings listed under DPU 9791 and DPU 9790, including the departments, if any, that discussed or deliberated the action to be taken in respect to the aforesaid petitions, which, if any, of the departments were present at any of the aforesaid hearings and their action at said hearings; and a statement advising the Council as to whether or not in their opinion the rights of the individual citizens living or owning property in the City of Boston and of the city itself are adequately protected under existing statutes, ordinances or regulations; and a detailed statement as to the desired amendments to existing ordinances, statutes or regulations or changes in the same, suggested in order to adequately protect the rights of the individuals in the City of Boston who own property in the City of Boston and the City of Boston itself."

By the Committee,

F. X. Ahearn, Chairman.

The report of the Committee was accepted.

Coun. AHEARN in the chair.

1. On the order (referred April 14) Acceptance of Chapter 212, Acts of 1952, authorizing City Council, with approval of Mayor, to fix certain salaries, the committee having recommended passage of the order, the order was passed.

2. On the message of Mayor and Ordinance (referred April 21) concerning purchase of furniture and office supplies, the committee having recommended passage of the ordinance as submitted by the Mayor, the ordinance as submitted by the Mayor was passed.

3. On the report of Boston Finance Commission (referred February 25) concerning Fire Code for the City of Boston, the committee having recommended that the report be placed on file and the passage of the order requesting information from the Corporation Counsel on the proposed Fire Code, the report was placed on file and the order was passed.

4. On the three copies of orders of the Department of Public Utilities (referred February 11) granting exemption from Zoning Law to the Boston Edison Company on certain parcels of land on Fremont street, Dorchester, and Binney street, Roxbury, the committee having recommended that the copies of orders be placed on file and passage of the orders requesting information from the Corporation Counsel on statutes, ordinances, regulations, etc., relative to such matters, the copies of orders of the Department of Public Utilities were filed and the order was passed.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCE.

Coun. AHEARN, for the Committee on Appropriations and Finance, submitted the following:

1. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred May 12) *re* printing Calendar of Events, Spring-Summer, 1952— recommending that same ought not to pass.

The report was accepted and the order was rejected.

On motion of Councillor Hurley to reconsider the foregoing vote, the motion to reconsider was lost.

2. Report on message of Mayor (referred May 26) *re* continuance of step-rate increases— recommending that message be placed on file.

The report was accepted and the message was placed on file.

3. Report on report of Boston Finance Commission (referred May 26) relative to single salary schedule for teachers—recommending that report be placed on file.

The report was accepted and the report was placed on file.

4. Report on order (referred June 2) *re* printing copies of Street Books—recommending that order ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the order was passed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFIRMATIONS.

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

Report on appointment by the Mayor (referred June 2) of Frank Zuccaro as constable, with authority to serve civil process upon filing of bond, for term ending April 30, 1953—recommending that appointment be confirmed.

The report was accepted, and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councillors White and Foley. Whole number of ballots, 8, yeas 8, and the appointment was confirmed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SERVICES AND RECREATION.

Coun. FOLEY, for the Committee on Public Services and Recreation, stated that a public hearing was held by the Committee on Public Services and Recreation on the experimental recreational program on Long Island, at which Chairman West of Board of Recreation and Park Commissioner Kelly testified, and it was agreed to allot both of these gentlemen a week to two weeks' time during which they will both inspect the site at Long Island.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS.

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

1. Report on petition of Michael J. Kovalski (referred April 28) to be reimbursed as a result of an execution issued against him on account of his acts as a member of the Boston Police Department—recommending passage of the accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of four hundred twenty-two dollars and fifty-five cents (\$422.55) 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 appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

2. Report on petition of Frank J. Jacobs (referred May 26) to be reimbursed as a result of an execution issued against him on account of his acts as an employee of the Boston Traffic Commission—recommending passage of the accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of four hundred seventy-one dollars and thirteen cents (\$471.13) be allowed and paid to Frank J. Jacobs in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as an employee of the Boston Traffic Commission, said sum to be charged to the appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

Reports accepted; said orders severally passed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LICENSES.

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

MEETING OF COMMITTEE ON LICENSES
JUNE 6, 1952, AT 11.15 A.M.

All members present, Chairman Joyce presiding. The following matters were considered by the committee:

DPU 9893, dated February 14, 1952, submitted to City Council February 25, 1952, being the petition of Boston Edison Company *re* erection of substation on Lincoln street, Allston.

DPU 9896, dated March 3, 1952, submitted to the City Council March 24, 1952, being the petition of New England Road Builders' Association concerning "minimum hourly rates for vehicles transporting certain dump truck commodities."

DPU 9910, dated February 8, 1952, submitted to the City Council February 18, 1952, concerning investigation by the DPU as to the propriety of rates and charges filed by Peter Pan Bus Lines.

DPU 9568-A, dated February 21, 1952, submitted to the City Council February 25, 1952, being the petition of Rapid Transit, Inc., for an extension of the period during which present schedules of fares are to be effective.

DPU 9568-A, dated February 29, 1952, submitted to the City Council March 10, 1952, *re* petition of Rapid Transit, Inc., for an extension of the period, etc. (see above).

DPU 9962, dated March 6, 1952, submitted to the City Council March 10, 1952, being the petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority for a license to operate motor vehicles for carriage of passengers in the East Boston district, over Bennington street.

DPU 9924, dated March 5, 1952, submitted to the City Council March 10, 1952, being the petition of the M. T. A. for approval of the construction, maintenance and use of an alteration of and an addition to existing locations for railway tracks in the West Roxbury district.

DPU 8756, dated March 3, 1952, submitted to the City Council March 10, 1952, being the petition of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad Company to continue increased rates and charges for passenger service "via Atlantic."

DPU 9923, dated March 6, 1952, submitted to the City Council March 10, 1952, *re* petition of M. T. A. to operate trackless trolleys over certain streets in East Boston (Paris and Sumner streets).

DPU 10052, dated April 24, 1952, submitted to the City Council April 28, 1952, *re* petition of M. T. A. for license to operate motor vehicles for carriage of passengers in East Boston district, over Paris and Sumner streets.

Coun. PLEMONTE moved that these petitions be severally placed on file and that same be accompanied by a recommendation in the form of the following order of the City Council:

Ordered, That the Corporation Counsel of the City of Boston be requested to furnish the City Council with a detailed list of all ordinances, statutes, and regulations issued in pursuance thereto, governing the required notice in matters affecting the City of Boston or its citizens relative to hearings before the Department of Public Utilities on petitions of this nature; the general practice and procedure followed by the city with reference to such petitions; the specific procedure and action followed by the city in respect to the hearings listed under DPU 9791 and DPU 9790, including the departments, if any, that discussed or deliberated the action to be taken in respect to the aforesaid petitions; which, if any, of the departments were present at any of the aforesaid hearings and their action at said hearings; and a statement advising the Council as to whether or not in their opinion the rights of the individual citizens living or owning property in the City of Boston and of the city itself are adequately protected under existing statutes, ordinances, or regulations; and a detailed statement as to the desired amendments to existing ordinances, statutes, or regulations or changes in the same, suggested in order to adequately protect the rights of the individuals in the City of Boston who own property in the City of Boston and the City of Boston itself.

DPU 9875, dated February 13, 1952, submitted to the City Council February 18, 1952, *re* petition of Rapid Transit, Inc., for permit to operate motor vehicles in East Boston district. Notice of continued hearing.

Petition of Rapid Transit, Inc., dated February 2, 1952, submitted to the City Council February 4, 1952, requesting the issuance of a license from the City Council and Mayor to operate motor vehicles in the East Boston district.

On motion made and seconded, it was

"Voted, To place the aforesaid orders on file."

The next matter taken up was the petition DPU 9318, dated May 16, 1952, and introduced in the Council on May 19, being a petition of Transit Bus Lines *re* route from Forest Hills to Dedham.

On motion made and seconded, it was

"Voted, That a hearing be held not later than Wednesday, June 12."

The petition DPU 10140, dated May 29, 1952, and introduced in the Council on June 5, *re* the petition of Plymouth and Brockton Street Railway and South Shore Coach Lines over certain routes in Boston and Quincy; and

Petition of Eastern Massachusetts Street Railway for license to operate motor vehicles on Blackstone, North, Cross, and other streets, dated March 17, 1952, and referred to the City Council on March 24, 1952, were then discussed.

On motion made and seconded, it was

"Voted, That a hearing be held on each of said petitions on Friday, February 13, 1952, at 11 A.M., and that a notice of said hearing be sent from the

office of the City Clerk to all parties involved, and that a copy be placed on the Bulletin Board."

The petition of Joseph H. Bruno to operate the North Station Bowling Alleys on the Lord's day was then discussed.

On motion made and seconded, it was

"Voted, That the petition be reported 'Ought to Pass.'"

The petition to operate the West Roxbury Bowling League on the Lord's day was then discussed.

On motion made and seconded, it was

"Voted, To postpone action until further information could be had relative to whether it was a renewal, and the character of the district and feeling of the community."

On motion made and seconded, it was voted the committee recommend the passage of the following order:

Ordered, That the Corporation Counsel of the City of Boston be requested to furnish the City Council with a detailed list of all ordinances, statutes, and regulations issued pursuant thereto governing the required notice and the manner in which said notice is given and to whom in all applications for the issuance of licenses, changes of zoning laws, or other matters seeking permission for the conduct of some activity out of the ordinary course of business, a detailed outline of the procedure actually followed, a detailed statement as to suggested changes in existing statutes, ordinances, or regulations desirable in order to adequately safeguard the interests of citizens of Boston, persons owning property in Boston, and the City of Boston itself.

On motion made and seconded, it was voted to adjourn.

For the Committee,

FRANCIS X. JOYCE, Chairman.

The report was accepted.

1. On the 11 notices of hearings before the Department of Public Utilities, the committee having recommended that the notices be severally placed on file and the order requesting information from the Corporation Counsel on statutes, ordinances, and regulations relative to such matters, the 11 notices were placed on file and the order was passed.

2. On the petition of the Rapid Transit, Inc., for a license to operate motor vehicles over certain streets in East Boston, the committee having recommended that the petition be placed on file, the petition was placed on file.

3. On the petition of the North Station Bowling Alleys (referred May 26) to operate bowling alleys on the Lord's day, at 222½ Friend street, the committee having recommended granting of the license, the license was granted on the usual conditions.

4. On the order requesting information from the Corporation Counsel on statutes, ordinances, and regulations relative to the applications for the issuance of licenses, change of zoning laws, etc., the committee having recommended passage of the order, the order was passed.

OBSERVANCE OF JULY 4 IN WARD 14.

Coun. HURLEY submitted the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request the Director of Public Celebrations to hold the annual observance, calling for a fireworks display and band concert, in the Ward 14 district, on Thursday, July 3, or Saturday, July 5, since the 4th of July falls on a Friday this year and the traditional Jewish Sabbath is observed in that community from sundown to sunset.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS AT WASHINGTON, BOWDOIN, HANCOCK STREETS, AND BOWDOIN AVENUE, DORCHESTER.

Coun. HURLEY submitted the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install traffic lights at the junction of Washington, Bowdoin, Hancock streets, and Bowdoin avenue, Dorchester.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR.

Subject to confirmation by the Council, the Mayor submitted the following appointment: Constable, with authority to serve civil process upon filing of bond, for the term ending April 30, 1953: Giacomo Bruno, 536 East Seventh street, South Boston.

Referred to the Committee on Confirmations.

ORDINANCE CONCERNING CITY PLANNING BOARD.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 9, 1952.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

Ever since my inauguration as Mayor in 1950, I have given especial attention to the need of the city for more effective city planning. In December of that year, I petitioned for legislation which would have created a new planning board with extensive powers and duties. (See 1951 House Document No. 1728.) The subject matter was referred to a special commission for investigation and study. (Res. 1951, c. 55.) That commission is presently awaiting the passage of a resolve reviving and continuing it so that it may complete its work. (1952 House Document No. 2208.) It would seem, however, that some immediate progress might be made by the passage of an ordinance reorganizing the existing planning board under St. 1909, c. 486, s. 5, as most recently amended by St. 1936, c. 152. To that end, I transmit herewith an ordinance concerning the organization, powers and duties of the City Planning Board.

The ordinance in effect strikes out chapter 12 of the Revised Ordinances of 1947 and inserts a new chapter 12. The major changes resulting from its enactment will be these: (a) the City Planning Board will remain a nine-member board but with three planning commissioners appointed in every second year rather than one or two members appointed annually; (b) the planning commissioners constituting the Board will be prohibited from holding other offices or positions under the city government or in the Boston Housing Authority, the Metropolitan Transit Authority, and other political subdivisions of the Commonwealth exercising powers within the limits of the city, but the Chairman of the Board will continue to hold offices held ex officio; (c) the planning commissioners, like the present Planning Board members, will serve without compensation but, unlike the present members, will be reimbursed for expenses incurred in the performance of their duties; (d) the reorganized City Planning Board will have the positive duty of making and maintaining a master plan for the improvement and development of the city and also of preparing and submitting annually a capital improvement program for each of the next six years; and (e) it will be mandatory upon the several boards and officers of the city and county to refer their capital improvements to the City Planning Board for report before requesting the Mayor to originate an appropriation or loan order with respect thereto.

In short, the ordinance submitted herewith, without affecting the personnel of the City Planning Department other than the Board members, will provide a comprehensive plan so that we may see our goal clearly, an annually renewed six-year capital improvement program to enable our ultimate achievement of the goal, and a system of mandatory referral which should check in the early stages of their development capital improvements inconsistent with the goal. Such a master plan, forward looking capital improvement program and mandatory referral system have long since come to be recognized as essential elements of efficient municipal planning. I therefore strongly recommend the early adoption of the accompanying ordinance.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston.

In the Year Nineteen Hundred and Fifty-two.

An Ordinance, Concerning the Organization, Powers and Duties of the City Planning Board.

Be it ordained by the City Council of Boston as follows:

Chapter 12 of the Revised Ordinances of 1947 is hereby amended by striking out sections 1, 2, and 3 and inserting in place thereof the five following sections:

SECTION 1. There shall be in the city a department, known as the City Planning Department, which shall be under the charge of a board, known as the City Planning Board, consisting of nine planning commissioners appointed by the mayor, of whom at least one shall be a registered professional engineer, one a registered architect, one a landscape architect or city planner, and one a woman. No planning commissioner shall hold any office or position under the city government, except the office of planning commissioner and offices held ex officio by virtue of being chairman of the city planning board; nor shall a planning commissioner hold any office or position under any other public body politic and corporate or political subdivision of the commonwealth exercising powers within the limits of the city.

On or before July 1, 1952, the mayor shall appoint nine planning commissioners to hold office for terms commencing July 1, 1952, and expiring, in the case of three commissioners, two years, in the case of three other commissioners, four years, and in the case of three other commissioners, six years, respectively, from May 1, 1952. As the term of any planning commissioner so appointed, or of any subsequent planning commissioner, expires, his successor shall be appointed by the mayor for a term of six years. Any vacancy in the office of a planning commissioner shall be filled by the mayor for the unexpired term. Notwithstanding the provisions of their respective appointments, the terms of the members of the city planning board in office when this section takes effect shall expire on July 1, 1952.

The city planning board shall elect one of its members as chairman and another as vice chairman. Said board shall also elect a secretary, who need not be a member of said board. The members of the city planning board shall serve without compensation, but shall be reimbursed for their traveling and other necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties.

SECT. 2. Subject to the civil service laws and rules, so far as the same may be applicable, the city planning board shall appoint a director of city planning and such other officers and employees as said board may deem necessary or expedient, and may remove the same, and define their duties, and fix their compensation; provided, however, that no person shall be appointed director of city planning without the approval of the mayor.

SECT. 3. The city planning board shall have the powers and perform the duties from time to time conferred or imposed upon planning boards created under section 70 of chapter 41 of the General Laws. The city planning board shall also from time to time make studies and reports on the resources, possibilities and needs of the city, and acting by a majority of all its members, shall make and from time to time add to or amend a master plan for the improvement and development of the city, showing, in addition to such other things as in the opinion of said board will promote the coordinated improvement and development of the city and the health, safety and welfare of its inhabitants, existing and recommended use and bulk districts and pierhead and bulkhead lines, existing and recommended use of land for public and private purposes, existing and recommended public and private ways and parkways, existing and recommended bridges, viaducts and tunnels, existing and recommended transportation facilities, existing and recommended parks, playgrounds and recreational facilities, and existing and recommended sites of public buildings, works and projects, including housing and urban redevelopment projects and off-street parking facilities.

SECT. 4. No board or officer of the city or county having power to incur, in carrying on the work of the department, office or undertaking entrusted to it or him, obligations payable from the treasury of the city shall request the mayor to originate any appropriation or loan order for any capital improvement unless within the preceding six months such board or officer has referred such capital improvement to the city planning board and requested said board to report specifically upon such capital improvement and accompanies the request to the mayor with the report of said board thereon or a certificate by the secretary of said board that said board was duly requested to report specifically on such capital improvement

but has allowed two months to elapse without making such report. Referral of capital improvements to the city planning board under this section shall be deemed mandatory.

SECT. 5. Every board and officer of the city and county having power to incur, in carrying on the work of the department, office or undertaking entrusted to it or him, obligations payable from the treasury of the city, shall submit to the city planning board on or before October first in each year, in such form as said board shall require, a list of all capital improvements proposed to be made in carrying on the work of such department, office or undertaking in the six succeeding years. The city planning board shall forthwith after October first in each year proceed to prepare, upon the basis of such lists and of its own studies, a capital improvement program for each of the six succeeding years, and shall, not later than the second Monday of the succeeding January, submit such programs, with its report and recommendations pertaining thereto, to the mayor, who, not later than the first Monday of the succeeding March, shall submit such programs, revised as he shall think proper, to the city council. Subject to such further revisions as the mayor shall from time to time consider advisable, the programs so submitted to the city council shall be deemed the capital improvement program of the city until the second Monday of the succeeding January.

Referred to Committee on Ordinances.

SUBURBAN OFF-STREET PARKING AREAS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 6, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

For the past four months there has been pending before your Honorable Body an order for the transfer of \$450,000 from parking meter proceeds to finance the establishment of off-street parking areas in suburban shopping centers of our city where the lack of adequate facilities presents a problem injurious to some of our small businessmen.

Several questions recently were brought up during a meeting of your Body which I believe can be answered to your satisfaction and erase any misunderstanding which may exist. The first off-street parking project to be undertaken, when funds are made available by your Honorable Body, will be in the Roslindale Square district. This was the first area to be planned. A site was selected after careful study. The merchants of the district, the Chairman of the Real Estate Board, and the members of your Honorable Body from the Roslindale-West Roxbury district all are in agreement that this is the most advantageous location.

Plans for this Roslindale Square parking area have been carried as far forward as is possible without transfer of funds. I believe it is of real importance that funds be provided for this project just as quickly as possible so that we may go ahead with our program. One of the questions raised by members of your Body was whether the Roslindale project will be the first one undertaken. This is to inform you that it will be, whether your Honorable Body in its wisdom transfers the entire \$450,000 I have recommended be provided for this purpose, or only part of that sum.

May I stress that, in my opinion, there are other suburban shopping centers in our city which are just as greatly in need of municipal off-street parking areas as is Roslindale square, but it happens that the Roslindale project is in a more advanced stage of planning than any of the others, and it is the one which now is being held up because of the lack of funds.

I am very certain that when all the facts are presented to your Honorable Body you will agree with me that we should also go ahead with the establishment of off-street areas in Dorchester, South Boston, Roxbury, Jamaica Plain, Hyde Park, and other districts where they are needed.

May I also emphasize that this program will not increase, or in any way affect, the tax rate. This program will be financed with the proceeds from parking meters and not from our tax levy. Under the law the money collected from meters can only be used for limited purposes, and the establishment of off-street parking areas is one of them. In fact, these off-street parking facilities should be self-sustaining.

Under the city charter the transfer of funds, involving the acquisition of land, requires two readings. May I, therefore, urge that your Body give this matter a first reading today so that plans for the Roslindale project may be carried forward in the near future and an extensive program started which should be of great assistance to the small businessmen who are a very important part of the business life of our city.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

CELEBRATION OF JULY 4.

Coun. JOYCE, PIEMONTE, KERRIGAN, FOLEY, HAILER, HURLEY, WHITE, AHEARN submitted the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to restore to the 1951 figure, the amount to be spent for the celebration of July 4th in the City of Boston in the year 1952.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF WILLIS NORMAN PENNEY.

Coun. HAILER submitted the following:

Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend naming of the square at the intersection of Locust street and Dorchester avenue, Dorchester, in honor of Lieut. (j.g.) Willis Norman Penney, of Squadron VJ 15, Naval Air Corps, who was awarded the Air Medal, with Oak Leaf Cluster, and the Distinguished Flying Cross, and who was killed in a plane crash on September 4, 1946.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

ELECTRIC LIGHTING ON TOWER, WOODLAWN, AND WELD HILL STREETS, FOREST HILLS.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:

Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to replace the gas lights on Tower, Woodlawn, and Weld Hill streets, in the Forest Hills section of the city, with electric lighting.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

TRANSFER OF INCOME OF PARKING METER FEES TO OFF-STREET PARKING AREAS.

Coun. FOLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Corporation Counsel furnish the Boston City Council by June 16 with an official opinion to the following questions:

1. If the City Council approves the order for \$450,000 transfer from Parking Meter Funds to Off-Street Parking Fund in the form as submitted by his Honor the Mayor, would subsequent land purchases out of the Off-Street Parking Fund thereby created necessarily come before the City Council individually for approval under section 17-E of the City Charter; or

2. Would the Executive Department of the city government be authorized by passage of this order referred to above to purchase out of the Off-Street Parking Fund tracts of land in various areas of the city without further reference to the City Council for approval.

President PIEMONTE in the chair.

On motion of Councillor HURLEY, the order was referred to the Executive Committee.

Later in the session Councillor Foley moved to reconsider the foregoing vote and the vote to reconsider was carried. On further motion of Councillor Foley, the order was passed under suspension of the rules.

CONSTRUCTION AT CAMBRIDGE AND WASHINGTON STREETS, BRIGHTON.

Coun. AHEARN offered the following:

Whereas, The undue delay in the completion of the construction of Washington street and Cambridge street, Brighton, has caused undue hardship on the businesses and private citizens abutting on said streets, and

Whereas, The condition of said streets constitutes a hazard to life and limb, has unduly obstructed traffic, and has been a general nuisance to the people of the neighborhood; and

Whereas, The citizenry of Brighton have been aggrieved by the careless manner in which the construction of these streets has been carried on, now therefore be it

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor instruct the Public Works Commissioner to take positive and definite steps to require contractors building Cambridge and Washington streets, Brighton, to comply immediately with the provisions of their contracts and specifically to keep Cambridge and Washington streets open to vehicular traffic at all times; and be it further

Ordered, That the contractors be prohibited from excaavating and opening up any more of said streets until they have completed the construction of that portion of the street already opened up; and be it further

Ordered, That the contractors be instructed that in the future no larger section of street be excavated and opened up than can be expeditiously and rapidly completed so as to put the street in a passable and safe condition; and be it further

Ordered, That in the future the rights and convenience of abutters be given greater consideration by the contractors to the end that exits from the property of abutters be not unduly obstructed and rendered dangerous for passing.

Coun. JOYCE moved to amend the order by adding "and that the Public Works Commissioner come before the Executive Committee to answer certain questions as to the inconvenience this

condition is causing the people of Brighton." The amendment was passed.

The order as amended was passed under suspension of the rules.

DRIVE FOR CLOTHING FOR KOREA.

President PIEMONTE announced that the drive for clothing for Korea had been extended to June 15, and that he had been asked to make public the unanimous feeling of the Council in favor of the drive.

SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL.

President PIEMONTE announced that there would be a special meeting of the Council on Thursday, June 12, 1952, to give consideration on those matters before the Council which affect appropriations reflected in the tax rate, and to give consideration to any and all other business which might come before the council.

COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL MEETING OF APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCE.

Coun. AHEARN announced that there would be a special meeting of the Committee on Appropriations and Finance on Tuesday, June 10, 1952, at 10.30 A.M., to consider all matters before it but especially to consider the supplementary budget, and that all members of the Council were invited to attend.

Adjourned at 4.21 P.M., on motion of Councillor Foley, to meet on Thursday, June 12, 1952, 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.

SPECIAL MEETING.

Thursday, June 12, 1952.

Special meeting of the City Council, held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 11 A.M., President PIEMONTE presiding. Absent, Councillor Ward.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

The meeting was held pursuant to the following call:

Boston City Council,
Office of the President, June 9, 1952.
To the Members of the City Council.

You are hereby requested to assemble in the City Council Chamber, City Hall, on Thursday, June 12, 1952, at eleven o'clock A.M., for the purpose of considering all orders for appropriations of money pending before the City Council which concern the tax rate for 1952, and for such other business as may come before the Council.

Respectfully,

GABRIEL F. PIEMONTE, President.
Placed on file.

RECESS.

The President declared a recess at 11.50 A.M., subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled in the Council Chamber and were called to order by President PIEMONTE at 1.50 P.M. On motion of Councillor White, the Council voted at 1.51 P.M. to take a recess until 2.30 P.M. The members reassembled in the Council Chamber and were called to order by President PIEMONTE at 2.30 P.M.

APPROPRIATION FOR PUBLIC CELEBRATIONS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 12, 1952.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

The School Committee has offered, through its playground supervisory force, to distribute ice cream and lollypops at 170 playgrounds throughout the city for the July 4th celebration. This distribution will take place on July 3, the eve of the 4th of July, at 4 P.M. The usual games will take place and the distribution of ice cream and candy will be made at 4 P.M. on that day. In order to purchase the ice cream and candy a further appropriation of \$5,625 will be necessary. Herewith is an order for the appropriation of that amount and I most respectfully request prompt approval thereof by your Honorable Body.

In your consideration of the supplementary budget now before your Body, I wish to call attention to the fact that the amounts requested are the minimum requirements of the various departments concerned. Any further reductions in the amounts required by the various departments will necessitate a rigid curtailment in the activities of these departments. I especially wish to emphasize that the appropriation for conventions should not be reduced. Boston is one of the most desirable cities for conventions. It can be, and should be, one of our main businesses. Many conventions are coming to Boston this year, in fact, this year more conventions will come to the city than in any previous year. In order that the City of Boston may meet its commitments to these conventions the amount of money requested in the supplementary budget is essential. I, therefore, once again, respectfully request that this appropriation be approved as submitted.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Ordered, That the sum of five thousand six hundred and twenty-five (5,625) dollars be, and hereby is, appropriated, for the purpose herein-after specified, said sum to be raised by taxation on the polls and estates in the City of Boston, and that all orders hereinafter or heretofore passed by the City Council relating to appropriations, taxes, and the interest thereon, apply to the appropriations and taxes herein provided for.

Public Celebrations..... \$5,625

Referred to Committee on Appropriations and Finance.

PERMITS FOR CHILDREN.

Petitions for children under 15 years of age to appear at places of public amusement were received as follows:

Boston Music School, Inc., Huntington Hall, June 15, 1952.

Katherine M. Foley, Recital Hall, June 19, 1952.
Permits granted under the usual conditions.

PETITION FOR ANNUITY.

Petition of Grace E. Henderson, to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, Frank J. Henderson, late member of the Police Department.

Referred to the Committee on Claims.

APPROVAL OF STATE BOARD OF HOUSING.

Notice was received from the State Board of Housing of approval of expenditure of \$19,829.59 for expenses at River Street and Downer and Sawyer Avenues housing projects.

Placed on file.

RIGHTS OF EMPLOYEES UNDER CLASSIFICATION SURVEY.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor furnish the City Council with a statement defining the rights of any persons aggrieved by the classification under the Jacobs Survey; and a detailed statement of the procedure to be followed in prosecuting said appeal, including any restrictions or limitations as to the time in which said appeal must be made.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

CERTAIN INFORMATION RELATIVE TO CITY AND COUNTY EMPLOYEES.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to furnish the City Council with a list of the employees and their addresses of the City of Boston and Suffolk County as of June 1, 1952; and be it further

Ordered, That this list include the department to which each employee is assigned, his classification, his weekly salary at present and a schedule showing the salary he or she will receive under the present recommendations as submitted by the Jacobs Survey and the status of said employee as to whether he or she be Civil Service Permanent, Provisional, or Temporary.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

INFORMAL MEETINGS BETWEEN MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL.

Coun. FOLEY offered the following:
Whereas, Close cooperation between his Honor the Mayor and the Boston City Council is most desirable for the judicious conduct of city affairs; and

Whereas, Communication by means of written official communications between the Mayor and Council is at times a circuitous, vague, and generally unsatisfactory method of procedure; and

Whereas, Many matters coming before the Council could best be explained and clarified in an informal conference; be it therefore

Resolved, That the Boston City Council requests his Honor the Mayor to arrange at his convenience, at least once each month, an informal meeting with the entire Body of the Boston City Council for the general discussion of city affairs.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LICENSES.

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

Report on notice of hearing on petition of Transit Bus Line, Inc. (referred May 19), to operate motor vehicles from Forest Hills Station Terminal over Washington street to Boston-Dedham Line — that same be placed on file.

The report was accepted, and the notice was placed on file.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCE.

Coun. AHEARN, for the Committee on Appropriations and Finance, submitted the following:

1. Report on message of Mayor and order, (referred June 2) for printing as city document, 1,500 copies of pamphlet "Information Concerning Operation of City-Owned Motor Vehicles"—that same ought to pass.

The report of the committee was accepted and the order was passed.

2. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred April 14) for appropriation of \$161,236.59 for Construction of Bridges — that same ought to pass.

The report of the committee was accepted, and the order was passed. Yeas, 7, nays, 0.

Yeas—Councillors Ahearn, Foley, Hurley, Joyce, Kerrigan, Piemonte, and White—7.
Nays—0.

3. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred April 28) for loan of \$2,845,000 for Construction of Bridges — recommending passage of the order in the following new draft:

Ordered, That under the provisions of clause 4 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 Construction of Bridges, etc., 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 report of the committee was accepted, and the order in the new draft was given its first reading and passage. Yeas, 7, nays, 0.

Yeas—Councillors Ahearn, Foley, Hurley, Joyce, Kerrigan, Piemonte, White—7.
Nays—0.

The order was assigned for 14 days for final action.

4. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred April 28) for appropriation of \$2,204,978.46 for School Department submitting the following report:

The Committee on Appropriations and Finance of the Boston City Council held extensive hearings on the question of overage of the School Department budget.

The total amount of the overage is \$2,300,000, but of this amount, because of bookkeeping practices within the School Department, only \$1,300,000 actually represents wage increases and expansion of services projected for the year 1952 as against the year 1951.

To further subdivide this amount, the sum of \$770,000 represents the continued cost during 1952 of the Mayor's over-all cost of living increase to city employees granted in September, 1951. With this amount, the committee feels the Council should not concern itself.

The School Committee plans to spend the sum of \$215,000 for wholesale replacement of worn out and obsolete books within the school system. Such a program is one which, of its very nature, is infinitely divisible and the committee recommends that this amount be allowed in full. However, it feels that this item, if any, could best bear a moderate reduction and suggests that it be left open for discussion on the floor of the chamber.

The sum of \$171,000 represents the cost of wage increases granted by the School Committee in the fall of 1951, now in litigation. This amount, as

contrasted with the item for books, is indivisible and turns absolutely on the decision of the courts.

The School Committee states that the sum of \$187,000 represents the one-third year cost of installation of the single salary schedule within the department. The single salary schedule is based on the theory that teaching in all grades of school is of equal difficulty and that teachers should be compensated according to the amount of training they have received rather than according to the grade of school they teach. The wisdom of this policy is one open to argument. The \$187,000 here requested provides for a four-month installment of a wage increase of \$120 a year for high school teachers and \$180 a year for elementary school teachers. The difference of \$60 a year will close but a small part of the gap in compensation between elementary school teachers and high school teachers.

As explained by the School Committee, the Committee on Appropriations and Finance feels that there may be associated with the policy of a single salary schedule plans for other substantial adjustments in addition to adjustments which this committee now approves. Therefore, the committee's approval of an amount allowing the initial establishment of the single salary schedule should not be interpreted as a blanket approval of all the plans for increases which the School Committee may have for the future.

It has been strongly suggested that any reductions in a specific item which this Council might make in the exercise of its statutory authority would not be effective in reducing that specific item because of the possibility of transfer from other items within the School Department budget to the item reduced.

The Committee on Appropriations and Finance feels that the City Council should exercise the authority granted to it by the statute as wisely as it can and should rely upon the good faith of the School Committee and School Department to respect as far as possible any reductions which the Council may see fit to make on the Council floor.

The report of the committee was accepted. The question came on the passage of the order, and the order was passed, yeas 7, nays 0:

Yeas—Councillors Ahearn, Foley, Hurley, Joyce, Kerrigan, Piemonte, White—7.

Nays—0.
5. Report on message of Mayor and supplementary appropriations and tax order (referred May 19)—recommending the passage of the supplementary appropriations and tax order as submitted by the Mayor, with the exception of the following reductions:

CITY MAINTENANCE.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT.

Election Department.

2. Contractual Services reduced \$3,000.

Law Department.

2. Contractual Services reduced \$15,000.

Public Buildings Department.

2. Contractual Services reduced \$10,000.

Conventions and Entertainment of Distinguished Guests.

01 - 94 Item of \$12,000 rejected.

Public Works Department (Automotive Division).

3. Supplies and Materials reduced \$5,000.

PUBLIC SAFETY.

Police Department.

2. Contractual Services reduced \$3,400.

Fire Department.

2. Contractual Services reduced \$17,600.

HIGHWAYS.

Public Works Department, Bridge Service.

7. Structures and Improvements.
23 - 12 Bridges, repairs, etc. Tie vote, no recommendation.

Public Works Department, Paving Service.

3. Supplies and Materials reduced \$5,000.
23 - 31 Snow Removal reduced \$25,000.

Boston Traffic Commission.

3. Supplies and Materials item of \$5,000 rejected.
580 Signal Equipment item of \$2,000 rejected.

HOSPITALS.

2. Contractual Services reduced \$10,000.
3. Supplies and Materials reduced \$26,000.
540 Household Furniture and Equipment item of \$10,000 rejected.
560 Office Furniture and Equipment item of \$5,000 rejected.

Sanatorium Division.

2. Contractual Services item of \$4,000 rejected.
3. Supplies and Materials reduced \$1,150.
594 Motorless Vehicles item of \$500 rejected.

PUBLIC WELFARE.

07 - 62 Central Office.

3. Supplies and Materials reduced \$5,000.

LIBRARIES.

3. Supplies and Materials reduced \$65,000.

RECREATION.

11 - 41 Park Department.

2. Contractual Services reduced \$1,000.
3. Supplies and Materials reduced \$7,200.
560 Office Furniture and Equipment item of \$125 rejected.

ENTERPRISES.

- 71 - 14 Public Works Department, Ferry Service.
2. Contractual Services reduced \$2,500.

UNCLASSIFIED.

13 - 72 Board of Real Estate Commissioners.

2. Contractual Services reduced \$41,500.

COUNTY MAINTENANCE.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT.

- 01 - 82 Suffolk County Court House Custodian.
3. Supplies and Materials reduced \$1,000.
560 Office Furniture and Equipment item of \$2,000 rejected.

CORRECTION.

08 - 11 Jail.

2. Contractual Services reduced \$1,000.
3. Supplies and Materials reduced \$3,500.

For the Committee:

F. X. AHEARN,
Chairman.

The report of the committee was accepted.

At the request of Councillor Hurley, the President ruled, under Rule 6 of the City Council Rules, that the proposed reductions in the supplementary budget as recommended by the committee would be taken up item by item.

Boston Traffic Commission.

Coun. AHEARN moved that the reduction of \$5,000 in Item 370, Boston Traffic Commission, be rejected. The motion was lost.

Coun. AHEARN moved that the reduction of \$2,000 in Item 580, Boston Traffic Commission, be amended to \$1,000. The motion was lost. The question came on acceptance of the reductions in the Boston Traffic Commission as recommended by the committee, and the motion was carried.

Election Department.

Coun. AHEARN moved that the reduction of \$3,000 as recommended by the committee in Item 297, be passed. The motion was carried.

Fire Department.

It was voted that the recommendation of the committee that Item 260, Fire Department, be reduced \$10,000, be approved. Coun. HURLEY moved reconsideration of the foregoing vote, and the motion to reconsider prevailed. Coun. HURLEY moved that the reduction of \$10,000 in Item 260, Fire Department, be rejected. The motion was lost.

Coun. HURLEY moved that reductions of \$7,600 in Item 270 be rejected. The motion was lost. The question came on acceptance of the

reduction of \$7,600 in Item 270 as recommended by the committee, and the motion was carried.

Hospital Department.

Coun. HURLEY moved that the reduction of \$10,000 in Item 260, Hospital Department, be rejected. The motion was lost. The question came on acceptance of the reduction of \$10,000 in Item 270 as recommended by the committee, and the motion was carried.

Coun. HURLEY moved that the reduction of \$8,000 in Item 310, Hospital Department, be rejected. The motion was lost. The question came on acceptance of the reduction of \$8,000 in Item 310 as recommended by the committee, and the motion was carried.

Coun. HURLEY moved that the reduction of \$8,000 in Item 330 be rejected. The motion was lost.

Coun. HURLEY moved that the reduction of \$10,000 in Item 340, Hospital Department, be rejected. The motion was lost.

Coun. AHEARN moved that the reduction of \$10,000 in Item 340 be amended to \$5,000. The motion was lost.

On motion of Councillor Joyce that the reduction of \$10,000 in Item 340 as recommended by the committee be accepted, the motion was carried.

Coun. AHEARN moved that the reduction of \$10,000 in Item 540 as recommended by the committee be amended to \$5,000. The motion was lost.

Coun. HURLEY moved that the reduction of \$5,000 in Item 560, Hospital Department, as recommended by the committee be rejected. The motion was lost.

RECESS.

The Chair declared a short recess at 4.42 p.m. The members reassembled in the Council Chamber and were called to order by President PIEMONTE at 4.50 p.m.

Upon receiving unanimous consent Councillor Hurley withdrew his motion that the proposed reductions in the supplementary budget as recommended by the committee be taken up item by item.

Coun. HURLEY moved that the supplementary appropriations and tax order as submitted by the Mayor be passed. The motion was lost, yeas 2, nays 6:

Yeas—Councillors Hailer, Hurley—2.

Nays—Councillors Ahearn, Foley, Joyce Kerrigan, Piemonte, White—6.

Conventions and Entertainment of Distinguished Guests.

Coun. AHEARN moved that the reduction of \$12,000 in Conventions and Entertainment of Distinguished Guests as recommended by the committee be rejected.

Coun. JOYCE moved that all the reductions in the supplementary budget as recommended by the Committee on Appropriations and Finance, with the exception of the recommendations pertaining to Conventions and Entertainment of Distinguished Guests, and Bridge Service, Public Works Department, be passed.

Coun. WHITE moved that the motion of Councillor Joyce be amended to approve the appropriation of \$12,000 as submitted by the Mayor in the item of Conventions and Entertainment of Distinguished Guests.

On motion of Councillor Foley to lay on the table the motion of Councillor Ahearn, the motion was lost. The question came on the motion of Councillor Ahearn that the reduction of \$12,000 in Conventions and Entertainment of Distinguished Guests as recommended by the committee be rejected. The motion was carried.

Public Works Department, Bridge Service.

Coun. AHEARN moved that Item 23-12, Public Works Department, Bridge Service, be reduced \$20,000. The motion was lost.

Coun. JOYCE moved that Item 23-12, Public Works Department, Bridge Service, be reduced \$30,000. The motion was carried.

The question came on the passage of the report of the committee as amended, and the report of the committee as amended was passed.

The question then came on the passage of the supplementary appropriations and tax order as submitted by the Mayor, with the foregoing amendments, and the supplementary appropriations and tax order as submitted by the Mayor, with the foregoing amendments, were passed, yeas 8, nays 0:
Yeas—Councillors Ahearn, Foley, Hailer, Hurley, Joyce, Kerrigan, Piemonte, White—8.
Nays—0.

DETAILED SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET REDUCTIONS.

Coun. AHEARN, for the Committee on Appropriations and Finance, submitted the following document, showing the reductions in detail in the supplementary appropriations and tax order as recommended by the committee, as follows:

DETAILED BREAKDOWN OF REDUCTIONS MADE IN SUPPLEMENTARY APPROPRIATIONS.

Item.	Allowed by Mayor.	Committee's Proposed Cut.	Balance.
Boston Traffic Commission.			
370	\$5,000 00	\$5,000 00	—
580	2,000 00	2,000 00	—
Election Department.			
297	\$8,000 00	\$3,000 00	\$5,000 00
Fire Department.			
260	\$12,000 00	\$10,000 00	\$2,000 00
270	7,600 00	7,600 00	—
Hospital Department.			
260	\$20,000 00	\$10,000 00	\$10,000 00
310	10,000 00	8,000 00	2,000 00
330	8,000 00	8,000 00	—
340	15,000 00	10,000 00	5,000 00
540	10,000 00	10,000 00	—
560	5,000 00	5,000 00	—
Hospital Department, Sanatorium Division.			
230	\$4,000 00	\$4,000 00	—
340	700 00	350 00	\$350 00
360	800 00	800 00	—
594	500 00	500 00	—
Law Department.			
230	\$20,000 00	\$15,000 00	\$5,000 00
Library Department.			
392	\$90,000 00	\$65,000 00	\$25,000 00
Conventions and Distinguished Guests.			
	\$12,000 00	\$12,000 00	—
Park Department.			
230	\$1,000 00	\$1,000 00	—
260	6,500 00	—	\$6,500 00
270	1,500 00	—	1,500 00
310	4,000 00	2,000 00	2,000 00
330	2,000 00	—	2,000 00
340	3,000 00	—	3,000 00
360	1,200 00	1,200 00	—
391	5,000 00	3,000 00	2,000 00
393	1,000 00	1,000 00	—
394	300 00	—	300 00
470	3,500 00	—	3,500 00
560	125 00	125 00	—
570	2,800 00	—	2,800 00
Police Department.			
260	\$9,000 00	\$2,000 00	\$7,000 00
270	750 00	750 00	—
295	1,650 00	650 00	1,000 00
299	1,400 00	—	1,400 00
Public Buildings Department			
260	\$15,000 00	\$10,000 00	\$5,000 00
Public Welfare Department (Central Office).			
360	\$10,000 00	\$5,000 00	\$5,000 00
Public Works Department. (Automotive Division).			
260	\$2,500 00	—	\$2,500 00
270	10,000 00	—	10,000 00
300	17,000 00	\$5,000 00	12,000 00
Public Works Department (Bridge Service).			
23-12	\$100,000 00	Tie vote.	No recommendation.
Public Works Department (Ferry Service).			
270	\$12,500 00	\$2,500 00	\$10,000 00

Item.	Allowed by Mayor.	Committee's Proposed Cut.	Balance
Public Works Department (Paving Service).			
380	\$11,500 00	\$5,000 00	\$6,500 00
Public Works Department (Sewer Service).			
270	\$7,900 00	—	\$7,900 00
Board of Real Estate Commissioners.			
260	\$45,000 00	\$41,500 00	\$3,500 00
City Clerk.			
291	\$3,000 00	—	\$3,000 00
City Planning Board.			
01-74	\$20,000 00	—	\$20,000 00
Hospital Department.			
26-11	\$65,000 00	—	\$65,000 00
Registry Department.			
239	\$8,600 00	—	\$8,600 00
Public Works Department (Snow Removal).			
	\$75,000 00	\$25,000 00	\$50,000 00
Court House Custodian.			
260	\$2,000 00	—	\$2,000 00
270	350 00	—	350 00
330	2,000 00	\$1,000 00	1,000 00
393	300 00	—	300 00
540	200 00	—	200 00
560	2,000 00	2,000 00	—
County Buildings.			
260	\$2,000 00	—	\$2,000 00
Suffolk County Jail.			
260	\$2,000 00	\$1,000 00	\$1,000 00
320	5,000 00	2,500 00	2,500 00
330	3,000 00	1,000 00	2,000 00
Social Law Library.			
	\$2,000 00	—	\$2,000 00
Public Works Department (Summer Tunnel).			
520	\$20,000 00	—	\$20,000 00
Public Works Department (Water Division).			
401	\$10,000 00	—	\$10,000 00

APPROPRIATION FOR PUBLIC CELEBRATIONS.

Upon request of Councillor Ahearn, the Chair withdrew his earlier reference to the Committee on Appropriations and Finance of the message of the Mayor and order (referred today) for an appropriation of \$5,625 to Public Celebrations. On further motion of Councillor Ahearn the order was referred to the Executive Committee.

RECESS.

On motion of Councillor Foley, the Council voted to take a recess at 5.59 P.M., subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled in the Council Chamber and were called to order by President PIEMONTE at 6.05 P.M.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT.

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

Report on message of Mayor and order (referred today) for appropriation of \$5,625 to Public Celebrations—that same ought to pass.

The report of the committee was accepted, and the order was passed, yeas 8, nays 0:

Yeas—Councillors Ahearn, Foley, Hailer, Hurley, Joyce, Kerrigan, Piemonte, White—8.
Nays—0.

Adjourned at 6.10 P.M., on motion of Councillor Joyce, to meet on Monday, June 16, 1952, 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 16, 1952.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President PIEMONTE in the chair. Absent, Councillors Ahearn and Ward.

The Very Reverend John J. Hosey, of the Mission Church, Roxbury, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY VERY REV. JOHN J. HOSEY.

Of Thy tender mercy, we beseech Thee, O Heavenly Father, bless the deliberations of this Council; bless those who participate in them; bless those whose interests they serve. Keep us Thy servants and keep this our beloved city in holiness.

Cleanse from sin and endow with virtue our fellow citizens: all those who are joined to us by kindred, affinity, and friendship. Grant us peace and safety.

Remove far from us our enemies both visible and invisible. Enlighten our minds, move our hearts, strengthen our wills to be worthy civil authorities, that as such we may worthily and humbly represent Thee, the unfailing source of all authority, and may the laws we have a share in making be an expression of Thy holy will.

Bestow Thy charity upon our friends and enemies. Guard this City of Boston; preserve its public officials and its citizens. Defend our institutions from every adversity.

Let Thy blessing be evermore upon us *sicut patribus, sit Deus nobis* (God be with us as He was with our fathers), and grant to all our beloved dead rest everlasting. Amen.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

RECESS.

On motion of Councillor Foley, the Council voted to take a recess at 2.20 P.M., subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled in the Council Chamber and were called to order by President PIEMONTE at 2.45 P.M.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR.

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

Weigher of Coal, for the term ending April 30, 1953: Raymond F. Heagney, 8 Isabella street, Boston.

Weighers of Goods, for the term ending April 30, 1953: Joseph C. Coyne, 10 Roswell street, Roxbury; Charles E. Boyd, Jr., 11 Cutting Lane, Waltham.

Severally referred to the Committee on Confirmations.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF CITY PLANNING BOARD.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 16, 1952.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I forward herewith communication from the Chairman of the City Planning Board providing information requested by your Honorable Body in your order of June 2.

You will note from this communication that the future activities of the Planning Board will call for appropriations double what is now being

appropriated for that department. This will be in line with what is being done in other cities in the same population class as Boston.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

The City Planning Board,

June 11, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

In answer to your letter of June 4, requesting recommendations as to the future status of the Planning Board with respect to ultimate appropriation and personnel allowances, I am writing as follows:

The Board, in discussing this matter at its meeting on June 10, considered the work load, the amount that comparable cities have regularly been budgeting for planning, and the need for making a reasonable recommendation in view of the city's financial obligations.

The primary job of a planning agency is to make a general plan for the total development of the city. Such a plan is developed in two phases. It is, first of all, an over-all concept of the essential nature of the city in generalized form and, secondly, it comprises a number of detailed solutions for the specific problems within the larger framework.

The Boston Planning Board released at the close of 1951 a report covering the first phase, but this must not be regarded as a finished accomplishment. It was the Board's best effort, within the existing limits of time and resources, but many of the conclusions in that report rest upon assumptions which ought to be tested in the light of more complete analytical research. The general plan thus requires constant maintenance and improvement, and this can be done only by devoting a certain amount of staff time to the job on a continuing basis. In Boston a minimum would be the full time of at least three persons, a senior planner and two technical assistants.

The second phase, detailed development within geographical subdivisions of the city or by elements of community design, is necessary if progress is to be made toward general plan objectives. For example, there are such individual major planning projects as:

Location and design of a civic center.

Improved design of individual district shopping centers.

Further development of a public school system plan and programming of school house construction.

Long-range programming of recreation areas and developments to eliminate present deficiencies.

A complete parking study.

Slum clearance and urban redevelopment planning.

This comprises only a partial list of possibilities. Staff organization should be geared to handle at least two such projects at one time. Each team should be headed by a senior planner and should include at least two technical assistants.

Aside from the general plan, the Planning Board is constantly faced with requests for special studies, some of which are large scale. In this category are such elements as a rezoning study, development of the B. & A. Railroad yard site, the capital improvement program, belt expressway study, referrals—Mayoral, Council, and departmental—and local studies requested by citizen groups. It is difficult to specify a definite personnel for this work since some of the projects, such as the rezoning study, are major projects and will require some temporary help. However, a senior planner and three or four assistants might handle usual special studies.

An additional senior planner and four assistants would be required to handle regular procedural items such as subdivision and zoning petitions, map making, keeping statistics, following legislation, making annual and interim reports, dispensing information at the counter, plan filing, and other routine duties.

Public relations work, report design, and a research team which would include an economist would account for four more staff members in addition to high level supervision and a clerical staff of five. One of the advantages of a staff of the above type is that it would require a minimum of consultant service. However, some consulting service would be needed for guidance, and it is the policy of all major cities to make an allowance for this service.

Detroit, Chicago, Los Angeles, and Philadelphia are budgeting amounts from \$200,000 to \$516,000

for their planning commissions. For comparison purposes, however, the Board felt that it should consider cities more nearly in its population class even though they are not considered as large metropolitanwise as Boston. The cities of Baltimore, Pittsburgh, Cleveland, and San Francisco have 1949 planning budgets respectively of \$100,000, \$112,000, \$150,000, and \$200,000, and have problems similar to Boston's. Their 1952 budgets have undoubtedly been increased since 1949, and each of these cities has, in addition, staffed regional planning agencies, public and private, which contribute to the planning of the central cities.

The Board is of the opinion that an appropriation of at least \$150,000 and a staff of about thirty employees is needed in the next few years to carry out its assignment. Attention should be called to the fact that a planning board is actually a staff agency and not a line or operating agency, and thereby requires a greater percentage of top level men than a line agency.

The Board is herewith submitting the attached breakdown as a recommended appropriation. Salaries have been based on the proposed reclassification plan after thirty-six months' service, which salaries, in the higher grades, are less than the going rate in other cities.

Very truly yours,
 THOMAS F. McDONOUGH, Chairman.

Recommended Appropriation for City Planning Board.

Proposed New Classification Rates After Thirty-Six Months' Service.		San Francisco 1949 Salaries.
Director of City Planning	\$8,200	\$12,000
Principal Planner	6,400	\$7,200-8,400
4 Senior Planners at \$5,400	21,600	\$5,680-6,720
5 Junior Planners at \$4,500	22,500	\$3,900-4,800
5 C. P. Assistants at \$3,800	19,000	\$3,500
1 Architect Designer	5,400	
1 Engineer, Grade IV	5,100	
1 Economist	5,100	
1 Writer, Public Relations	5,100	
1 Illustrator	4,500	
2 Draftsmen, Grade III, at \$4,300	8,600	
2 Draftsmen, Grade II, at \$3,700	7,400	
1 Head Clerk	4,400	
1 Principal Clerk	3,800	
1 Hearing Stenographer	3,800	
1 Senior Clerk	3,100	
1 Junior Clerk	2,600	
	\$136,600	
Supplies, Equipment, Printing Reports, etc.	15,000	
Consultants	5,000	
Total	\$156,600	

Placed on file.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS AT WASHINGTON BOWDOIN, HANCOCK STREETS, AND BOWDOIN AVENUE, DORCHESTER.

The following was received:
 City of Boston,
 Office of the Mayor, June 16, 1952.

To the City Council.
 Gentlemen:
 I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of June 9, 1952, requesting the installation of traffic lights at the junction of Washington, Bowdoin, Hancock streets, and Bowdoin avenue, Dorchester.

Respectfully,
 J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
 June 12, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
 Mayor of Boston.
 Dear Mr. Mayor:
 This is to acknowledge receipt of the following Council order, dated June 9, 1952:
 "Ordered, That the Traffic Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install traffic lights at the junction of Washing-

ton, Bowdoin, Hancock streets, and Bowdoin avenue, Dorchester."
 By early fall we expect to have traffic signals operating at the above location.

Respectfully yours,
 WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

EMPLOYEES RECLASSIFICATION PLAN.

The following was received:
 City of Boston,
 Office of the Mayor, June 16, 1952.

To the City Council.
 Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith a communication from the Budget Commissioner in answer to the order of your Honorable Body adopted on June 12, 1952.

It will be noted that any employees desiring to make an appeal of their classification may do so before the Director of Civil Service. That appeal carries a right to go before the full board of the Civil Service Commission and a further right to appeal to the courts if such action is desired.

Respectfully,
 J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Office of Budget Commissioner,
 June 16, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
 Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:
 I am in receipt of Council order dated June 12, 1952, and reading as follows:

"Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor furnish the City Council with a statement defining the rights of any person aggrieved by the classification under the Jacobs Survey; and a detailed statement of the procedure to be followed in prosecuting said appeal, including any restrictions or limitations as to the time in which said appeal must be made."

When the Director of Civil Service notifies city employees of the allocation of their classification, any employee aggrieved has the right to appeal to the Director of Civil Service. This appeal is to be made within fourteen days after the date of the civil service notification, except, when an employee is unable to do so by reason of illness, absence on vacation or the like, an extension of time will be granted by the Director of Civil Service.

In the event an employee is dissatisfied with the result of this appeal, he has the right to appeal to the full Board of Civil Service Commissioners. These procedures, however, do not preclude the ordinary rights of an employee to appeal also to the courts.

Respectfully,
 JOHN A. SULLIVAN,
 Budget Commissioner.

Placed on file.

INFORMATION ON RECLASSIFICATION OF EMPLOYEES.

The following was received:
 City of Boston,
 Office of the Mayor, June 16, 1952.

To the City Council.
 Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith a memorandum from the Budget Commissioner relative to your order of June 12, in which it is requested that certain information be forwarded to your Body concerning employees of the city and county.

The Budget Commissioner has available substantially all the information requested by your Body and will be pleased to cooperate with your Body in furnishing other specific information which might be requested. I trust the information provided by the Budget Commissioner in his memorandum will meet the desires of your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
 J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Office of Budget Commissioner,
 June 16, 1952.

Memorandum for the Mayor.

There is in possession of this department a bound volume issued by the Jacobs Company entitled "Allocations of Position to Standard Classes in the Boston City Service." This

volume contains over two hundred fifty (250) pages and lists by departments the position occupied, the present payroll title of employee, the present salary, and the recommended class title for the position. The salaries listed, however, were taken from the payrolls of January, 1951, when the survey began. Since that time a general increase of two hundred sixty dollars (\$260) per annum was granted, plus step rates and other possible changes. This volume does not list all employees by name because, in the event that a number of employees have the same present title and salary and are to be assigned a common classification, only the number is listed, such as 26 Inspectors of Housing and Sanitation in the Health Department, etc.

This volume could be made available for reference by the City Council.

To comply with the Council order to list employees and their addresses as of June 1, 1952, together with the department to which assigned, the classification, the present weekly salary, proposed salary under the Jacobs survey, and whether or not the employee is permanent, temporary, or provisional would require, in my opinion, at least three (3) weeks' time by this department in conjunction with the Auditor's office.

Respectfully,

JOHN A. SULLIVAN,
Budget Commissioner.

Coun. WHITE in the chair.

Coun. PIEMONTE moved that the message of his Honor the Mayor and communication be returned to his Honor the Mayor with the request that the order adopted by this Council on last Thursday be complied with, and the information requested in the order be given to us in detail. The motion was carried.

CONSTRUCTION AT CAMBRIDGE AND WASHINGTON STREETS, BRIGHTON.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, June 16, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of June 9, 1952, concerning the request that positive and definite steps be taken to require contractors reconstructing Cambridge and Washington streets, Brighton, to comply immediately with the provisions of their contracts and specifically to keep Cambridge and Washington streets open to vehicular traffic at all times, and the request that the Commissioner should appear before the Executive Committee to answer certain questions on this matter.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

President PIEMONTE in the chair.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
June 16, 1952.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Mr. Shannon:

This is in reference to an order that was passed in the City Council under date of June 9 concerning matters affecting the reconstruction of Cambridge and Washington streets, Brighton, between Union square and Oak square.

The above-referenced work is being done under the provisions of chapter 90 of the General Laws, and the engineers and inspectors assigned to direct and carry out the project are employed by the State Department of Public Works. I discussed this matter with the responsible engineers in the State Department, and I feel that we have now instituted steps to effect this desirable improvement with as little inconvenience as possible to the residents and businessmen of the area. No major project of this type can be done without inconvenience to the businessmen and the traveling public, but you may be assured that every reasonable effort will be made to keep such inconvenience at a minimum.

The Council order also stated, in part, that the undersigned should come before the Executive Committee to answer certain questions concerning the inconvenience that the project is causing to the people of Brighton. I would be glad to appear before said committee at a time convenient to the members.

Respectfully yours,

GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

LEGAL OPINION RE PURCHASE OF LAND FOR OFF-STREET PARKING AREAS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, June 16, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith opinion of the Corporation Counsel relative to the order adopted by your Honorable Body on June 9, 1952, concerning the purchase of land for local off-street parking purposes.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,

Law Department, June 16, 1952.

Hon. Jolin B. Hynes,

Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

In accordance with your request of June 11, 1952, I have considered the questions set forth in an order of the City Council, passed June 9, 1952. Said order of June 9, 1952, reads as follows:

"Ordered, That the Corporation Counsel furnish the Boston City Council by June 16 with an official opinion to the following questions:

(1) If the City Council approves the order for \$450,000 transfer from Parking Meter Funds to Off-Street Parking Fund in the form as submitted by his Honor the Mayor, would subsequent land purchases out of the Off-Street Parking Fund thereby created necessarily come before the City Council individually for approval under section 17-E of the City Charter, or

(2) Would the Executive Department of the City Government be authorized by passage of this order referred to above to purchase out of the Off-Street Parking Fund tracts of land in various areas of the city without further reference to the City Council for approval."

1. My answer to the first question is in the negative. St. 1948, c. 452, s. 17G, provides in part as follows:

"Except as otherwise provided in chapter four hundred and eighty-six of the acts of nineteen hundred and nine, neither the city council nor any member, committee, officer or employee thereof shall directly or indirectly on behalf of the city or of the county of Suffolk take part in the employment of labor, the making of contracts, or the purchase of materials, supplies or real estate: . . ."

No other provision is contained in chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909 which would permit the City Council to take part in the purchase of real estate; and, in fact, section 8 of chapter 486 of the Acts of 1909 contains substantially the same prohibition as to the participation of the City Council in the purchase of real estate.

There is nothing contained in section 17E of chapter 452 of the Acts of 1948 at variance with the foregoing opinion.

2. In view of the above-quoted statutes, my answer to the second question is in the affirmative and, therefore, after the adoption of the pending order the Board of Real Estate Commissioners, with the approval of the Mayor, would be authorized to purchase land for the purpose set forth in the order, and said purchase would not be subject to the approval of the City Council.

Very truly yours,

WILLIAM L. BAXTER,
Corporation Counsel.

On motion of Councillor Foley, the message was referred to the Executive Committee.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

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

Claims.

Madeline K. Cohen, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 155 Kilsyth road, Brighton.

Elizabeth Conti, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Hanover street.

Jean Graffeo, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 135 Salem street.

Jack Furman, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in highway, Columbus avenue, near Bragdon street.

Thomas Kennedy, for compensation for injuries caused by city car.

Frank Kramer, doing business as Kramer Furniture Store, for compensation for damage to property at 362 Centre street, Jamaica Plain, by water damage.

Joseph Maccarone, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Foster street.

Dena Mendelson, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in highway, Columbus avenue, near Bragdon street.

Sylvia Mindel, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in highway, Columbus avenue, near Bragdon street.

Hubert I. Yorra, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in highway, Columbus avenue, near Bragdon street.

PERMITS FOR CHILDREN.

Petition of Guglielmina B. Fiorentino, for children under 15 years of age to appear at Recital Hall, June 21, 1952, was received and granted under the usual conditions.

PETITIONS FOR ANNUITIES.

Petition of Anna M. Donovan, to be paid an annuity on account of the death of her husband, Michael J. Donovan, late member of Fire Department.

Petition of Mary Crehan, to be paid an annuity on account of the death of her husband, Augustine F. Crehan, late member of Police Department.

Severally referred to the Committee on Claims.

NOTICES FROM DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held at its hearing room on July 2, 1952, at 10 A.M., on petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority for license to operate motor vehicles over temporary road from Causeway street, crossing Haverhill street, over North Station Surface platform.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held at its hearing room on July 2, 1952, at 10 A.M., on petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority for license to operate motor vehicles on Broadway, Tremont street, and Shawmut avenue.

Severally referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held at its hearing room on July 10, 1952, at 10 A.M., on petition of Boston Consolidated Gas Company for approval of contract with Eastern Gas and Fuel Associates.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held at its hearing room on June 30, 1952, at 10 A.M., on petition of Worcester Gas Light Company for increase in corporate stock.

Severally referred to the Executive Committee.

APPROVAL OF CONSTABLE'S BOND.

The constable's bond of Rudolph L. Trent, having been duly approved by the City Treasurer, was received and approved.

ORGANIZATION OF BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF SINKING FUNDS.

Notice was received from the Board of Commissioners of Sinking Funds that on Monday, May 19, 1952, the Board of Commissioners of

Sinking Funds met and organized by the election of the following officers: William B. Carolan, Chairman; John O. Stubbs, Vice Chairman; Charles J. Fox, Secretary; Daniel M. Driscoll, Treasurer; Daniel J. Falvey, Acting Secretary; Walter W. Foley, Acting Treasurer.
Placed on file.

JURY LIST.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:

Ordered, That the City Clerk be hereby directed, when the Jury List is filed with him by the Election Commission, to cause the names on said list to be written each on a separate ballot, and said ballots to be properly folded as provided in section 7 of chapter 234 of the General Laws, and placed in the box provided for the purpose.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

APPROPRIATION FOR RECLASSIFICATION OF EMPLOYEES.

Coun. HURLEY moved that the appropriation order of \$1,200,000 for reclassification of employees (referred June 5) be recalled from the Committee on Appropriations and Finance. The President stated that the order being in the Appropriations and Finance Committee less than 30 days, under the Rules of the Council, a majority vote of all the members of the Council was necessary to recall the order from said committee.

Less than a majority of all the members assenting to the recall of said order, the motion was lost.

APPOINTMENTS OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS.

Coun. PIEMONTE announced the appointment of Councillors Kerrigan and Joyce to the Committee to Memorialize Veterans.

CONFERENCE ON EMPLOYEES RECLASSIFICATION PLAN.

Coun. FOLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to arrange a conference with his Honor the Mayor and the Boston City Council during the week beginning June 16, 1952, concerning the appropriation for salary adjustments under the personnel reclassification plan, and that his Honor the Mayor invite or request the attendance at such conference of the Budget Commissioner, the Corporation Counsel, a representative of the Jacobs organization, and representatives of unions representing city employees.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF JAMES R. PEARSON.

Coun. HALLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend naming of the square at the intersection of Bower and Sherman streets, Roxbury, in honor of Pfc. James R. Pearson, Company I, Third Battalion, 9th Infantry Regiment, U. S. Army, who was killed in action in Korea on November 12, 1950.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

COMMUNITY HOUSE IN FENWAY AREA.

Coun. HALLER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Trustees of the George Robert White Fund be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to consider the advisability of erecting a community house in the Fenway area of the City of Boston.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

Adjourned at 3.48 P.M., on motion of Councillor White, to meet on Monday, June 23, 1952, 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 23, 1952.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President PIEMONTE in the chair and all the members present.

The Reverend John B. Kinneen of Long Island Hospital was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY REV. JOHN B. KINNEEN.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

Pour forth, we beseech Thee, O Lord, Thy blessings upon the members of this City Council. Grant them the grace to recognize and ever be conscious of the dignity and the responsibility of the office which they have assumed. Duly elected representatives in government, they are the repositories of the people's trust in wielding the divine natural right of self-determination and legislative administration which Thou, O God, hast given to men. This right, this power to formulate legislation binding in conscience before Thy tribunal, which Thou hast given to men, and men have delegated to their office and to them for a time and with circumscription, has not been forfeited either by Thee or by Thy people. These, for whom we pray, participating in a divine prerogative, are Thy representatives in authority. They are likewise servants of the people, a badge of honor and a mark of distinction, for Thy Son was in this world not to be ministered unto, but to minister unto others.

Therefore do we implore Thee for them the grace of humble consciousness of the dignity and the duty of their office, and the grace to fulfill it well. Grant them wisdom, knowledge, and understanding; inspire them with deep sentiments of integrity and righteousness; dominate their judgments with justice and discernment. May every deliberation and act of theirs be undertaken by Thy holy inspiration, carried on by Thy gracious assistance, and be consummated with Thy benign benediction; this we pray through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord. Amen.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

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, for the term ending April 30, 1953: Lawrence J. Lewis, 6 Keane road, East Natick.

Referred to the Committee on Confirmations.

RESIGNATIONS OF CONSTABLES.

The following were received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, June 23, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

You are hereby notified that I have accepted the resignation, effective June 10, 1952, of Louis Reppucci as a constable not authorized to serve civil process and to serve without bond for the term ending April 30, 1953.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor,

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, June 23, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

You are hereby notified that I have accepted the resignation of Louis Levin, 40 Lawrence avenue, Roxbury, as a constable authorized to serve civil process, as of June 12, 1952.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Severally referred to the Executive Committee.

APPROPRIATION FROM PARKMAN FUND INCOME.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, June 23, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of the attached communication from the Board of Park Commissioners, requesting the appropriation of \$40,000 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 1952 budget estimates of the personal service requirements of the Park Department included an estimate of the total income of \$183,000 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 \$40,000, the accrued income now available from the Parkman Fund, and respectfully recommend its immediate passage by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,

Park Department, June 18, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes,

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 \$40,000, 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.....\$40,000

When making up the budget estimates for the year 1952, a sum equal to the total yearly income of the George F. Parkman Fund was deducted from Item 100, Permanent Employees, with the understanding that this deduction was to be replaced by the total yearly income of said Parkman Fund for 1952, to be transferred as it accrued from time to time during the year 1952 to the regular maintenance appropriation of the Park Department.

Respectfully yours,

FRANK R. KELLEY, Chairman.

Ordered, That the sum of forty thousand dollars (\$40,000) 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.....\$40,000

Referred to Committee on Appropriations and Finance.

CONFERENCE ON EMPLOYEES
RECLASSIFICATION PLAN.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 18, 1952.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

Your Honorable Body has requested that I hold a conference with the Budget Commissioner, the Corporation Counsel, representatives of the Jacobs organization, and representatives of unions representing city employees.

It is very doubtful, to my mind, that such a conference would provide any further information than that which is already in our hands. The Jacobs organization has completed its report which is on file with the Budget Commissioner and available for perusal by the City Council at any time. The representatives of the various labor organizations were in conference with me some weeks ago and were given the information which they sought.

Obviously, no compensation or classification plan can be devised which will please all 20,000 employees. It is our opinion that the compensation and classification plan, when finally complete, will be beneficial to the majority of employees, and will not be harmful to any employee. For the first time in the history of the city it will establish a plan by which employees, through meritorious service, can be advanced both in rating and in salary.

In addition to the information furnished your Honorable Body in this matter, the Budget Commissioner has other detailed information which might be useful in the deliberations of your Body.

The Budget Commissioner will be available to furnish this information and to discuss the details of the plan at the convenience of the City Council.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

On motion of Councillor Foley, the message was referred to the Executive Committee.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

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

Claims.

Owen Aldis, for compensation for damage to car by city car.

Salvatore J. DeFrine, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Peter DiBona, for compensation for damage to car by fire truck.

Frank Golden, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect in Alfred street.

Margaret E. Humphrey, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Carol Lanza, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in North Bennet Street Gymnasium.

Joseph S. McCormick, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him on account of his acts as employee of Sanitary Division.

Joseph A. Porcaro, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Ferris E. Shamon, for compensation for damage to tricycle by city truck.

Sutherland Apartments, Inc., for compensation for damage to property at 524 Cambridge street, Allston, caused by defective sewer.

Francesco Trano, for compensation for damage to property caused by being sprayed with cleaning fluid while driving through Sumner Tunnel.

The Travelers, for compensation for damage to car of Eugene M. Hill, caused by city car.

Edward J. Wilson, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him on account of his acts as employee of Fire Department.

Executive.

Petition of Roger W. Brown, temporary clerk, Municipal Court of the City of Boston for Civil Business, for retirement as a veteran.

PETITIONS FOR INDEMNIFICATION.

Petition of Richard G. Berninger, employee of the Boston Fire Department, for indemnification for hospital, surgical, medical, and nursing expenses.

Petition of Rizkallah Teebagy, employee of the Boston Fire Department, for indemnification for hospital, surgical, medical, and nursing expenses.

Severally referred to the Committee on Claims.

PERMIT FOR CHILDREN.

The petition of Elma Lewis for children under fifteen years of age to appear at Jordan Hall on June 24, 1952, was received and granted under the usual conditions.

HEARING BEFORE DEPARTMENT OF
PUBLIC UTILITIES.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held at its hearing room on July 2, 1952, at 10 A.M., on petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority to operate motor vehicles over Bennington street, between Meridian street and Orient Heights Station, East Boston.

Placed on file.

APPOINTMENT OF PAUL BRENNAN.

Notice was received from the Health Department of the appointment of Paul Brennan as inspector of housing and sanitation (emergency appointment) at \$52.95 a week, effective June 20, 1952.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

INFORMATION RE RECLASSIFICATION
OF EMPLOYEES.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the City Clerk, June 18, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

The message of his Honor the Mayor, dated June 16, 1952, transmitting a memorandum of the Budget Commissioner concerning certain information relative to employees of the city and county, was returned to his Honor the Mayor with a copy of the motion of Councillor Piemonte requesting that the order of the City Council of June 12 be complied with and that the information requested in said order be given in detail.

All of the above papers were returned to me by his Honor the Mayor without any action having been taken thereon.

Very truly yours,

W. J. MALLOY, City Clerk.

Coun. AHEARN in the chair.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested, under the provisions of section 17F, chapter 376, of the Acts of 1951, to furnish the City Council information set forth in the following questions; the said information to be furnished as soon as possible before the 14-day limit expires:

A list of all the employees in the City of Boston as of June 1, 1952, together with the designation, stating as to whether they are permanent, temporary, or provisional; the classification of said employee; the department to which he or she is assigned; the salary he or she was receiving as of June 1, 1952; and the classification and salary he or

she will receive as a result of the recommendations of the Jacobs Survey.

The communication from the City Clerk and the message of the Mayor dated June 16, were severally placed on file.

The order was passed under suspension of the rules.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS.

Coun. WARD, for the Committee on Appropriations and Finance, in submitting the following report, stated the committee was unanimous in recommending the passage of the appropriation order.

Report on message of Mayor and tax order (referred June 5) for supplementary appropriation of \$1,200,000 for establishment of reclassification and compensation plan—recommending that same ought to pass.

President PIEMONTE in the chair.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed, yeas 9:

Yeas—Councillors Ahearn, Foley, Hailer, Hurley, Joyce, Kerrigan, Piemonte, Ward, White—9.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFIRMATIONS.

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

1. Report on appointment by the Mayor (referred June 9) of Giacomo Bruno as constable with authority to serve civil process upon filing of bond, for term ending April 30, 1953—recommending that appointment be confirmed.

2. Report on appointments by the Mayor (referred June 16) of Raymond F. Heagney as Weigher of Coal and Joseph C. Coyne and Charles E. Boyd, Jr., as Weighers of Goods, for the term ending April 30, 1953—recommending that appointments be confirmed.

The reports were accepted, and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councillors Foley and Hailer. Whole number of ballots 7, yeas 7, and the appointments were confirmed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS.

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

Report on petition of Anastasia F. Duffley (referred May 5) to be paid an annuity on account of death of her husband, Richard P. Duffley, late member of 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 \$1,500 be allowed and paid to Anastasia F. Duffley, widow of Richard P. Duffley, a member of the Fire Department, who died on April 18, 1952, 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.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOSPITALS.

Coun. FOLEY, for the Committee on Hospitals, submitted the following:

Report on order (referred March 10) that trustees of Boston City Hospital notify Public Welfare Department of discharge of persons receiving medical treatment at the hospital who are recipients of Old Age Assistance—recommending that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF WILLIAM J. O'CONNOR.

Coun. WARD offered the following:

Ordered, That the Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to name the intersection of Brighton avenue and Chester street in honor of William J. O'Connor, who lost his life in Korea while in the service of his country.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

PRINTING OF PAMPHLET "CRADLE OF LIBERTY."

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:

Ordered, That the Superintendent of Printing be authorized to print 10,000 copies of a pamphlet entitled "Cradle of Liberty," Faneuil Hall, Boston, Mass., the expense of such printing to be charged to City Documents.

Referred to Committee on Appropriations and Finance.

TRAFFIC SIGNAL LIGHTS AT CAMBRIDGE, BLOSSOM, AND GARDEN STREETS.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install traffic signal lights at the juncture of Cambridge, Blossom, and Garden streets in the West End district of the city.

Referred to Committee on Public Services and Recreation.

EMPLOYEES' RIGHTS UNDER RECLASSIFICATION PLAN.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to have each employee advised of his rights to appeal and the procedure to be followed at the time of receipt of his classification under the Jacobs Survey.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

DENTAL CLINIC IN ROSLINDALE MUNICIPAL BUILDING.

Coun. HAILER and WHITE offered the following:

Ordered, That the Health Department be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to establish a dental clinic in the Roslindale Municipal Building for the benefit of school children in the Roslindale and West Roxbury districts.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

SIDEWALKS ON METROPOLITAN AVENUE, WARDS 18 AND 20.

Coun. JOYCE offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to construct new sidewalks along both sides of Metropolitan avenue, Wards 18 and 20.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF STANLEY ZDONEK.

Coun. JOYCE offered the following:

Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend naming the square at the junction of Mt. Vernon and Buttonwood streets, Dorchester, in honor of

the memory of Pvt. Stanley Zdonek, Company 1, 58th Infantry, U. S. Army, who was killed in action in France during World War I.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

RECESS.

On motion of Councillor White, the Council voted to take a recess at 3.19 P.M., subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled in the Council Chamber and were called to order by President PIEMONTE at 6.05 P.M.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

1. Report on message of the Mayor (referred today) on notice of resignation of Louis Levin, constable authorized to serve civil process, effective as of June 12, 1952—recommending message be placed on file.

2. Report on message of Mayor (referred today) on notice of resignation of Louis Reppucci, constable not authorized to serve civil process and to serve without bond, effective as of June 10, 1952—recommending message be placed on file.

3. Report on message of Mayor (referred today) relative to conference with City Council, Budget Commissioner, Corporation Counsel, representatives of Jacobs organization, and union representatives re reclassification plan—recommending message be placed on file.

The reports were accepted, and the messages were severally placed on file.

4. Report on resolution (referred June 5) favoring orders for specific sums of money and specific areas for off-street parking areas—recommending resolution ought to be adopted.

The report was accepted, and the resolution was adopted.

5. Report on petition (referred today) of Roger W. Brown, temporary clerk, Municipal Court of the City of Boston, Civil Business, for retirement as veteran—recommending passage of the following order:

Whereas, Roger W. Brown, a veteran as defined in General Laws, chapter 32, section 1, as amended, who is presently temporary clerk of the Municipal Court of the City of Boston for Civil Business and who has been in the service of the County of Suffolk for a total period of more than thirty years in the aggre-

gate, has made application under General Laws, chapter 32, section 58, as amended, for retirement from active service at 65 per cent of the highest annual rate of compensation payable to him while holding the grade now held by him—such retirement to become effective at the close of business on such date as the Mayor of Boston shall determine will cause the least interference with the work of the office of such clerk; and

Ordered, That upon the evidence submitted, the facts stated in said application be, and the same hereby are, found to exist; and further

Ordered, That the retirement of said Roger W. Brown as so applied for be, and the same hereby is, approved by the Mayor and City Council acting as County Commissioners.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

6. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred June 9) for acceptance of chapter 183, Acts of 1952, for use of Boston Common for widening Beacon street—recommending that order ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

7. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred May 19) for appropriation of \$450,000 from income of parking meter fund for the purchase of off-street parking areas—recommending that the order be amended by reducing the appropriation to \$75,000, and that the words "in the Roslindale Area" be added at the end of the order.

The report of the committee was accepted. The amendments as recommended by the committee were adopted.

The order, as amended, was read once and passed, yeas 8, nays 0:

Yeas—Councillors Ahearn, Foley, Hailer, Joyce, Kerrigan, Piemonte, Ward, White—8.

Nays—0.

The order was assigned for fourteen days for final action.

Adjourned at 6.14 P.M., on motion of Councillor Ward, to meet on Monday, June 30, 1952, 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 30, 1952.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President PIEMONTE in the chair, and all the members present.

The Rev. John A. Farrell, C. S. P., of the Catholic Information Center, Boston, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY REV. JOHN A. FARRELL.

We call upon You, dear God, to guide our public servants in their deliberations and actions; to keep them ever mindful of the serious responsibilities which are theirs; to watch over them so that they will work, not for their own self-interest, but for the well-being of the people of Boston.

In their work here these distinguished officials must give attention to sordid and earthly things, for if they did not, they would be remiss in their solemn obligations; but prevent them, O Lord, from becoming so engrossed in worldly civic cares that they lose sight of spiritual values and spiritual principles — for without the illumination of religious faith, men lose their zeal for doing good, they become bedazzled by trinkets and temptations, and they do more harm than good. Work with these leaders, O Lord, so that they may work for You. Amen.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

DAMAGE TO FENDER PIER, NORTHERN AVENUE BRIDGE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 30, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

On April 15, 1952, the United States Coast Guard cutter "Ojibwa" collided with a fender pier of the Northern Avenue Bridge causing damage to certain piles and walings. Commissioner of Public Works George G. Hyland proceeded forthwith to make the necessary replacements and repairs at a cost to the city of \$857.50. He thereupon filed claim on behalf of the city with the United States Coast Guard for reimbursement. Communications received from the Coast Guard relative to Commissioner Hyland's authority in the premises indicate that payment of the claim would be greatly expedited by the adoption by your Honorable Body of an order relative to the matter. Accordingly, I recommend the early passage of the order transmitted herewith.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Whereas, The City of Boston has a claim against the United States of America for that the United States Coast Guard cutter "Ojibwa" did, on April 15, 1952, collide with a fender pier of the Northern Avenue Bridge, over Fort Point Channel in Boston, causing damage to certain piles and walings which it cost the City of Boston \$857.50 to replace and repair;

Ordered, That the filing with the United States of America of claim for \$857.50 by Commissioner of Public Works George G. Hyland on behalf of the City of Boston, be, and the same hereby is, ratified and confirmed; and further

Ordered, That said Commissioner of Public Works George G. Hyland, be, and he hereby is, authorized and empowered on behalf of the City of Boston, to do any and all things, and execute any and all releases, necessary to effectuate the payment in full of said claim by the United States of America.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

APPROPRIATION OF \$75,000 FOR OFF-STREET PARKING AREAS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 30, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

On February 25 I submitted to your Honorable Body an order for the transfer of \$450,000 from the special parking meter account to the Board of Real Estate Commissioners, said sum to be used for the development of off-street parking areas in the local shopping centers.

At the Council meeting of June 23, the amount called for in the order was reduced from \$450,000 to \$75,000. The authority of the City Council to reduce the amount contained in an appropriation order is clear. However, I am informed that an amendment to the order was also made including the following words "in the Roslindale area." The authority of the City Council to make such an amendment is extremely doubtful. In this connection, I send you herewith an opinion of the Corporation Council.

In a previous message to your Honorable Body I gave assurance that the first local parking area would be in the Roslindale Square section. Nothing has occurred to change our present plans. To make it possible to go forward with this, the first of a series of local parking areas, and to eliminate any legal objections, I send you herewith an appropriation order for \$75,000. I most respectfully request that this order be given a first reading at today's meeting of the City Council in order that we may begin construction on at least one of the parking areas planned.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,

Law Department, June 30, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes,

Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

This is in reply to your letter of June 25, 1952, concerning the following appropriation order which your Honor submitted to the City Council on February 25, 1952:

"Ordered, That under the provisions of section 22B of chapter 40 of the General Laws as established by chapter 776 of the Acts of 1949 the sum of four hundred and fifty thousand dollars be, and hereby is, appropriated from the special account 'Parking Meter Fees,' to be expended by the Board of Real Estate Commissioners, for acquiring off-street parking areas and facilities and constructing or reconstructing and surfacing such areas and facilities."

Your letter further calls to attention that on June 23, 1952, the City Council amended the order by reducing the appropriation to \$75,000, and by adding at the end of the order the words "in the Roslindale Area."

In Boston, the appropriation of moneys for municipal purposes is governed by St. 1909, c. 486, s. 3, which, as appearing in St. 1941, c. 604, s. 1, provides, so far as presently pertinent, as follows:

"All appropriations, other than for school purposes, to be met from taxes, revenue or any source other than loans, shall originate with the mayor, who, not later than the first Monday in February of each year, shall submit to the city council the annual budget of the current expenses of the city and county for the current fiscal year, and may submit thereafter such supplementary appropriation orders, as he may deem necessary. The city council may reduce or reject any item, but, except upon the recommendation of the mayor, shall not increase any item in, nor the total of, a budget, nor add any item thereto, nor shall it originate a budget. . . ."

These statutory provisions are, if reasonably practicable, to be explained in conjunction with other statutory provisions to the end that there may be an harmonious and consistent body of law. *Brooks v. Fitchburg & Leominster Street Railway*, 200 Mass. 8, 17. *Walsh v. Commissioners of Civil Service*, 300 Mass. 244, 246. *School Committee of Gloucester v. Gloucester*, 324 Mass. 209, 212. It is to be so construed in particular with the provision in St. 1909, c. 486, s. 8, that "neither the city council nor any member, committee, officer or employee thereof shall

directly or indirectly on behalf of the city or of the county of Suffolk take part . . . in the conduct of the executive or administrative business of the city or county." See also St. 1948, e. 452, s. 17G, as appearing in St. 1951, c. 376, s. 1.

By the first of the above-quoted statutes, the City Council is expressly empowered to reduce or reject any item in an appropriation order submitted by the Mayor, but at the same time is explicitly forbidden to originate an appropriation order. It was thus within the power of the City Council to reduce the sum involved in the appropriation order in question from \$450,000 to \$75,000; but in my opinion that Body was not authorized to make the further amendment because such amendment was tantamount to originating a new appropriation order. See the proceedings of the City Council of June 1, 1915, setting forth communication from former Corporation Counsel John A. Sullivan to the effect that the substitution of a segregated budget for a lump sum budget comes within the prohibition against originating appropriation orders, even though the totals of both budgets are the same.

For the sake of clarity and, more especially, to show the relationship between the first and the second statutes noted above, it may not be inappropriate if I restate the matter in language adapted from another communication by former Corporation Counsel John A. Sullivan appearing in the proceedings of the City Council of May 31, 1916. From that point of view, the question presented the City Council by the order of your Honor submitted on February 25, 1952, is whether the sum of \$450,000 can be judiciously expended for the purpose of acquiring off-street parking areas and facilities and constructing or reconstructing and surfacing such areas and facilities. If the City Council decides that the sum specified or any part thereof can be so expended and appropriates the money, its responsibility then ceases. It has no responsibility for the manner in which the money is expended. The selection of the parking areas to be acquired, the determination of the manner in which they are to be constructed or reconstructed and surfaced, and the establishment of the amounts to be expended for such acquisition, construction or reconstruction and surfacing constitute part of the administrative business of the city in which the City Council is explicitly forbidden to take part and for which the executive branch of the city government is solely responsible.

Respectfully,
WILLIAM L. BAXTER,
Corporation Counsel.

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 22B of chapter 40 of the General Laws as established by chapter 776 of the Acts of 1949 the sum of seventy-five thousand dollars he, and hereby is appropriated from the special account "Parking Meter Fees," to be expended by the Board of Real Estate Commissioners, for acquiring off-street parking areas and facilities and constructing or reconstructing and resurfacing such areas and facilities.

On motion of Councillor Foley the order was referred to Executive Committee.

APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR.

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

Weigher of Coal, for the term ending April 30, 1953: Myron Wilensky, 40 Mattapan street, Mattapan.

Referred to the Committee on Confirmations.

PROCEDURE FOR APPEALS UNDER RECLASSIFICATION PLAN.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 30, 1952.
To the City Council.

I transmit herewith communication from the Budget Commissioner in answer to your order of June 23 relative to the procedure to be followed by employees with respect to appeals under the classification plan.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Budget Department, June 30, 1952.
Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of the City Council order passed June 23, 1952, and reading as follows:
"Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to have each employee advised of his rights to appeal and the procedure to be followed at the time of receipt of his classification under the Jacobs survey."

The Director of Civil Service of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, in his notification to employees of the allocation of their position as a result of the Jacobs survey, advised each employee of his rights to appeal and the procedure to be followed.

Respectfully yours,
JOHN A. SULLIVAN,
Budget Commissioner.

Coun. AHEARN in the chair.

On motion of Councillor Piemonte, the message was referred to the Executive Committee.

President PIEMONTE in the chair.

INFORMATION RE RECLASSIFICATION OF EMPLOYEES.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 30, 1952.
To the City Council:

I transmit herewith communication from the Budget Commissioner in answer to your request contained in your order of June 23 relative to various information concerning city employees.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Budget Department, June 30, 1952.
Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of an order passed by the City Council June 23, 1952, and reading as follows:

"Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested under the provision of section F, chapter 376 of the Acts of 1951 to furnish the City Council with the information set forth in the following questions, the said information to be furnished as soon as possible before the 14-day limit expires:

"A list of all the employees in the City of Boston as of June 1, 1952, together with the designation as to whether they are permanent, temporary, or provisional, the classification of said employees, the department to which he or she is assigned, the salary he or she was receiving as of June 1, 1952, and the classification and salary he or she will receive as a result of the recommendations of the Jacobs survey."

It will be impossible for this department to furnish the information requested in the above order within the 14-day limit allowed by the Director of Civil Service for appeals by employees, and which is the limit, I believe, the above order refers to.

It will be possible, however, at a later date to furnish information to the City Council which, while not exactly the information requested in the above order, will provide sufficient detail which, in my opinion, will be substantially that requested and will be satisfactory to the members of the Council.

Respectfully yours,
JOHN A. SULLIVAN,
Budget Commissioner.

Coun. AHEARN in the chair.

Coun. HAILER in the chair.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request that the rule or regulation limiting the right of

appeal by any employee aggrieved by the classification of the Jacobs survey be extended to 14 days from the date of the publication of a schedule of all employees in the City of Boston as of June 1, 1952, together with the designation as to whether they are permanent, temporary, or provisional, the classification of said employee, the department to which he or she is assigned, the salary he or she was receiving as of June 1, 1952, and the classification and salary he or she will receive as a result of the recommendations of the Jacobs survey; and be it further

Ordered, That the aforesaid information be compiled and prepared for publication forthwith.

Coun. PIEMONTE moved to amend his order by inserting after the word "request" the following words "the Civil Service Commission or agencies having power to so do to amend."

The amendment was carried.

The order as amended was passed under suspension of the rules.

On motion of Councillor Piemonte the message of the Mayor was laid on the table.

Coun. AHEARN offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to ask the Civil Service Commission to publish its final determinations with respect to the reclassification of all the employees of the City of Boston and to provide that any 14-day appeal period provided under the law begin to run only after the publication to all city employees of the complete reclassification above referred to.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

VETO OF ORDER FOR RETIREMENT OF ROGER W. BROWN.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 30, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:
I return herewith, without my signature and disapproved, the order adopted by your Body on June 23 for the retirement of Roger W. Brown as temporary clerk of the Municipal Court of the City of Boston for Civil Business.

In view of the fact that Mr. Brown has served for only four months in his present temporary capacity, I do not deem it proper that he be retired at the greater annual retirement pay of this position.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

APPROPRIATION OF \$375,000 FOR OFF-STREET PARKING AREAS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, June 30, 1952.

To the City Council.

I send you herewith an order for the transfer of \$375,000 from the special Parking Meter Account to the Board of Real Estate Commissioners for the purpose of constructing local shopping area parking facilities.

The attached communication from the Chairman of the Board of Real Estate Commissioners sets forth that six (6) of these local parking areas can be constructed within the appropriation requested. Plans for the areas designated are in about the same degree of completion.

If this appropriation is voted by your Honorable Body, it will be possible to go forward with these designated areas so that they may be constructed and put into operation before the cold weather.

It is, obviously, better to proceed with the construction of several of these parking areas rather than to construct them singly. The need is both apparent and present. Consequently, I request your Honorable Body to give this matter further consideration.

Any further information which might be desirable will be furnished to your Body upon request.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Real Estate Commission, June 30, 1952.
Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

I have been informed that the City Council has agreed to transfer from the "Parking Meter Fund" the sum of \$75,000 for the purpose of creating an off-street parking facility in Roslindale square. Such a transfer would leave a surplus in the fund of about \$375,000.

Our studies, with the cooperation of the Planning Board and the Traffic Commission, show desirable parking areas in these additional major suburban shopping centers: Brighton Center, Hyde Park (Cleary square), Uphams Corner, Fields Corner, South Boston, Dudley street, and Jamaica Plain.

The order in which these areas will be developed for off-street parking has not been determined. The plans for each are in about the same degree of completion and in order to go forward it will first be necessary that we obtain an allocation of funds. Of course, practically speaking, this is the season of the year for grading and surfacing. However, there are so many conditions precedent to the surfacing that have to be complied with, that time is of the essence if we are to proceed with any semblance of a city wide program.

I attach hereto preliminary estimates of costs for the acquisition and development of the above-mentioned sites.

Respectfully submitted,

HERMAN CARP, Chairman.

Brighton.—No. 1 area, 15,000 square feet; capacity, 40 cars at 370 square feet/space; assessed valuation, \$10,000; cost of land, \$12,500 at \$265/space; cost of improvement, \$12,000 at \$250/space; total, \$24,500 at \$515/space.

Hyde Park.—Area, 16,200 square feet; capacity, 54 cars at 300 square feet/space; assessed valuation (approximately), \$18,000; cost of land and buildings, \$22,500 at \$415/space; cost of improvements, \$10,800 at \$200/space; total, \$33,300 at \$615/space.

Uphams Corner.—Area, 62,316 square feet; capacity, 175 cars at 350 square feet/space; assessed valuation, \$54,000; cost of land and buildings, \$68,000 at \$390/space; cost of improvements, \$40,000 at \$230/space; total, \$108,000 at \$620/space.

Fields Corner.—No. 1 area, 21,390 square feet; capacity, 56 cars at 380 square feet/space; assessed valuation, \$17,300; cost of land and buildings, \$21,600 at \$380/space; cost of improvements, \$14,000 at \$250/space; total, \$35,600 at \$630/space.

South Boston.—No. 5 area, 14,430 square feet; capacity, 41 cars at 350 square feet/space; assessed valuation, \$7,000; cost of land and buildings, \$9,375 at \$225/space; cost of improvement, \$10,000 at \$250/space; total, \$19,500 at \$475/space.

Dudley.—Area, 60,000 square feet; capacity, 170 cars at 500 square feet/space; estimated cost of land and buildings, \$35,000 at \$500/space; estimated cost of improvement, \$40,000 at \$235/space; total, \$125,000 at \$735/space.

Summary.

Brighton	\$25,000
Hyde Park	35,000
Uphams Corner	110,000
Fields Corner	35,000
South Boston	20,000
Dudley	125,000
Total	\$350,000

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 22B of chapter 40 of the General Laws, as established by chapter 776 of the Acts of 1949, the sum of \$375,000 be, and hereby is, appropriated from the special account "Parking Meter Fees," to be expended by the Board of Real Estate Commissioners for acquiring off-street parking areas and facilities and constructing or reconstructing and resurfacing such areas and facilities.

Referred to Committee on Appropriations and Finance.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

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

Claims.

Earl A. Bolt, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Police Department.

Frank J. Carey, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect at 315 Cambridge street.

Mr. and Mrs. George Ceccere, for compensation for damage to property at 524 Cambridge street, Allston, caused by backing up of sewage.

Frederick W. Christmas, for compensation for damage to car by Fire Department vehicle.

Warren J. Clifford, for compensation for damage to car by falling tree.

Edward L. Coyle, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Printing Department.

Annie M. Davis, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 515 Shawmut avenue.

Lawrence J. Flanagan, for compensation for damage to property at 176 Train street, Dorchester, caused by backing up of sewage.

Agnes E. Foley, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Hyde Park Branch Library.

John L. Hammond, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Sanitary Division.

Daniel J. Lenihan, for compensation for damage to property at 180 Train street, Dorchester, caused by overflow of sewage.

Susanna Loscocco, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at Washington and State streets.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Marchant, for compensation for damage to property at 524 Cambridge street, Allston, caused by backing up of sewage.

Abraham A. Meister, for compensation for damage to property at 41 Woodstock avenue, Brighton, caused by break in water line.

George Noonan, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

John J. O'Malley, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect in Union Park street.

John F. Tansey, Jr., for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Samuel L. Taylor, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Walter H. Trumbull, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Licenses.

Petition of Airways Transportation Company for amendment to previous license to operate between Hotel Lenox, Hotel Bradford, Hotel Manger, and airport.

PETITIONS FOR ANNUITIES.

Petition of Margherita Marinelli to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, Augustino Marinelli, late member of Police Department.

Referred to Committee on Claims.

APPROVAL OF CONSTABLES' BONDS.

The constables' bonds of Saul I. Bearak and Giacomo Bruno, having been duly approved by the City Treasurer, were received and approved.

HEARING BEFORE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held at its hearing room on July 7, 1952, at 10 o'clock A.M., on petition of residents of City of Boston protesting rates and charges filed by Wilson Line of Massachusetts, Inc.

Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

HEARING BEFORE STATE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.

Notice was received from State Department of Public Works of hearing to be held at its office on July 8, 1952, at 2.30 P.M., on petition of City

of Boston, Department of Public Works, for license to place rubbish fill in South Bay.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

LEASE OF SIMONDS SCHOOL, SOUTH BOSTON.

A communication was received from the School Committee stating that at a meeting of June 6 a vote was passed that the City Council be requested to authorize the committee to lease to the Martin J. McDonough Post, No. 368, American Legion, the Simonds School, Broadway, South Boston.

Placed on file.

APPOINTMENT OF DENNIS F. DALTON.

Notice was received from the Police Commissioner of the appointment of Capt. Dennis F. Dalton to serve as keeper of the city lock-up.

Placed on file.

JURY LIST.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the City Clerk,
June 30, 1952.

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. 46, was filed with me on June 27, 1952. It contains 9,330 names.

Respectfully,

W. J. MALLOY,
City Clerk.

Placed on file.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS.

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

1. Report on petition of Joseph W. Harkins (referred June 9) to be reimbursed as a result of an execution issued against him on account of his acts as an employee of the Sewer Division, Public Works Department—recommending passage of the accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of three hundred fifty dollars (\$350) be allowed and paid to Joseph W. Harkins in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as an employee of the Sewer Division, Public Works Department, said sum to be charged to the appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

2. Report on petition of Daniel Callahan (referred June 9) to be reimbursed as a result of an execution issued against him on account of his acts as an employee of the Park Department—recommending passage of the accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of one hundred eighteen dollars and sixty-five cents (\$118.65) be allowed and paid to Daniel Callahan in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as an employee of the Park Department, said sum to be charged to the appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

The reports were accepted, and the orders were severally passed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFIRMATIONS.

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

Report on appointment by the Mayor (referred June 23) of Lawrence J. Lewis as Weigher of Goods for term ending April 30, 1953—recommending that appointment be confirmed.

The report was accepted, and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councillors Foley and Joyce. Whole number of ballots 8, yeas 8, and the appointment was confirmed.

RECLASSIFICATION LISTS TO BE MADE
AVAILABLE TO EMPLOYEES.

Coun. FOLEY offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor prepare sufficient copies of the above lists referred to in orders of this date *re* reclassification submitted by Councillors Piemonte and Ahearn, so that each department may be supplied with at least one complete listing for each 10 employees affected by the reclassification plan and that such lists be made available for the use of said employees in convenient places near their usual place of employment.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

LEASE OF SIMONDS SCHOOL.

Coun. FOLEY and KERRIGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the School Committee be authorized to lease to the Martin J. McDonough Post, No. 368, American Legion, the Simonds School Broadway, South Boston, upon such terms and conditions as may be set forth by said committee.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

INFORMATION RE PROGRESS UNDER
URBAN REDEVELOPMENT ACT.

Coun. FOLEY offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested under the provisions of section 17F, chapter 376 of the Acts of 1951, to furnish the City Council information set forth in the following questions, the said information to be furnished on or before July 14, 1952:

1. The progress to date of plans to take advantage of the Urban Redevelopment Act of 1949 passed by the Congress.

2. The areas selected for redevelopment in Boston under the act and the priority of such areas.

3. An account of all moneys expended to date for work preliminary to obtaining grants under the Urban Redevelopment Act.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

PAYMENT OF SUM OF MONEY TO
JAMES F. DREY.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:
Ordered, That, under the provisions of chapter 334 of the Acts of 1952, entitled "An Act Authorizing the City of Boston to Pay a Sum of Money to James F. Drey," the City Council hereby approve the payment by the School Committee to James F. Drey of the sum of \$412.26 as compensation for services rendered by him as a teacher of classes exclusively for boys in the public school system of said city during the period from September 1, 1925, to January 30, 1930, inclusive, for which services he was not compensated.

On motion of Councillor Joyce the order was referred to the Executive Committee.

MEDICAL AND DENTAL CLINICS IN
MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS.

Coun. HAILER offered the following:
Ordered, That the Health Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to study the possibility of installing medical and dental clinics in the various municipal buildings throughout the City of Boston.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

CERTAIN COMPENSATION TO
RITA SULLIVAN.

Coun. KERRIGAN offered the following:
Ordered, That chapter 458 of the Acts of 1952, entitled "An Act Authorizing the City of Boston to Pay Certain Compensation to Rita Sullivan," be, and hereby is accepted.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS AT COMMONWEALTH
AND CHESTNUT HILL AVENUES.

Coun. WARD offered the following:
Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install traffic signal lights at the corner of Commonwealth avenue and Chestnut Hill avenue, Brighton.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

EXTENSION OF BENEFITS UNDER STATE-
BOSTON RETIREMENT SYSTEM.

Coun. WARD offered the following:
Resolved, That the City Council of Boston favors the consideration by the Legislature of the petition now held under Joint Rule 7B providing for the extension of certain benefits under the State-Boston Retirement System to the widows of certain former members of the Boston Retirement System; provided that any such legislative enacted includes a referendum to the Mayor and City Council.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF
JAMES E. KENNEDY.

Coun. HURLEY and WARD 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 Perkins, Day, and Centre streets, in Hyde square, in honor of James E. Kennedy, who lost his life on July 16, 1950, in Korea while in the service of his country.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

LIST OF PETITIONS, ORDERS, AND RESO-
LUTIONS PENDING BEFORE COM-
MITTEES OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF 1950-51.

Coun. PIEMONTE called up No. 2 on the Calendar, viz.:

2. Report of the City Clerk submitting list of petitions, orders, and resolutions referred to various committees by the City Council of 1950-51 upon which no further action was taken.

President PIEMONTE in the chair.

The report of the City Clerk was placed on file, and the various petitions, orders, and resolutions were referred to corresponding committees of the present City Council.

Coun. WHITE moved that the Council take a recess for the purpose of going into Executive Session.

Coun. AHEARN in the chair.

The motion to take a recess for the purpose of going into Executive Session was lost.

APPROPRIATION FOR OFF-STREET
PARKING IN ROSLINDALE AREA.

Coun. FOLEY offered the following:
Whereas, The urgency of provision of off-street parking facilities in Roslindale has come to the attention of the Boston City Council; and

Whereas, His Honor the Mayor has some doubt as to his authority to act under the order *re* off-street parking passed with amendment on June 23, 1952, because of the addition of an amendment by the Council; be it therefore

Resolved, That the Boston City Council request that, to allay any doubts that the Mayor

may have as to his authority to act under the appropriation order of June 23, 1952, he forward to the Council an appropriation transfer order in the amount of \$75,000, reading as does the order forwarded on June 29, 1952, with the addition of the words "in the Roslindale area."

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SERVICE AND RECREATION.

Coun. WHITE, for the Committee on Public Service and Recreation, submitted the following:

1. Report on order (referred February 18) to eliminate trolley bus stop zones—recommending that same ought to pass.

2. Report on order (referred March 24) to cover Stony Brook in Hyde Park-West Roxbury area—recommending that same ought to pass.

3. Report on order (referred March 31) to rebuild underpass at end of Archdale road, Ward 19—recommending that same ought to pass.

4. Report on order (referred April 7) for pedestrian signal light at Columbia road and Arion street—recommending that same ought to pass.

5. Report on order (referred April 28) to install arc light at Canterbury street, Roslindale—recommending that same ought to pass.

6. Report on order (referred May 5) to resurface DeSoto road, West Roxbury—recommending that same ought to pass.

7. Report on order (referred May 12) to name square at Wood avenue, Safford and Parker streets in honor of Charles Ryan—recommending that same ought to pass.

8. Report on order (referred May 19) to name new building being constructed on Mission Hill in honor of John J. Crowley, Jr.—recommending that same ought to pass.

9. Report on order (referred May 26) to enlarge recreation area at Mozart School, Roslindale—recommending that same ought to pass.

10. Report on order (referred June 23) to install traffic signal lights at Cambridge, Blossom, and Garden streets—recommending that same ought to pass.

The reports were accepted, and the orders were severally passed.

11. Report on order (referred April 14) to organize Little League Baseball—recommending that same be placed on file.

The report was accepted, and the order was placed on file.

THE NEXT MEETING.

On motion of Councillor Ward it was voted that when the Council adjourned, it would be to meet again on Monday, July 14, 1952, at 2 P.M.

Adjourned at 6.21 P.M., on motion of Councillor Ward, to meet on Monday, July 14, 1952, 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, July 2, 1952.

Special meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President PIEMONTE presiding, and all the members present.

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 Mayor, July 1, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

You are hereby requested to assemble in the City Council Chamber on Wednesday, July 2, at 2 P.M., for the purpose of taking action on a resolution submitted to your Honorable Body on April 14, 1952, favoring consideration by the Legislature of a proposed bond issue by the School Department for new school buildings.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

At the request of the President, the City Clerk stated the notice was sent by the Mayor's office by telegram to all of the members of the City Council on July 1, 1952.

Placed on file.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE ON PROPOSED BOND ISSUE FOR NEW SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

School Committee, June 30, 1952.

Mr. Walter J. Malloy,
City Clerk.

Dear Sir:

At the conference of the School Committee on June 23, 1952, I was directed to extend to the City Council the sincere appreciation of the School Committee for appropriating the additional money needed for school purposes for the year 1952.

The order of the School Committee was duly presented at the meeting of June 23, 1952, and placed on file.

In this connection, I was also directed to request that the Council take affirmative action on the proposed bond bill of \$15,000,000 for new school buildings.

The members of the committee hope that the Council will vote to authorize the waiving of Section 7B to permit this bill to come before the Legislature.

Very truly yours,

AGNES E. REYNOLDS, Secretary.

Placed on file.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE MATTERS.

Coun. JOYCE, for the Committee on Legislative Matters, submitted the following:

Report on resolution (referred April 14) favoring legislation to borrow \$15,000,000 for school construction purposes—recommending passage of the resolution in the following new draft:

Resolved, That the City Council of Boston favors the consideration by the Legislature of the petition now held under Joint Rule 7B authorizing the City of Boston to borrow for school construction purposes sums not exceeding in the aggregate \$15,000,000, provided that

any such legislation enacted includes a referendum to the Mayor and the City Council.

On motion of Councillor Joyce, the resolution as submitted by the Mayor and the resolution in a new draft were referred to the Executive Committee.

TERMINATION OF RENT CONTROL
SEPTEMBER 30, 1952.

Upon receiving unanimous consent to make a statement, Councillor Ahearn briefly addressed the Council on the termination of federal rent control on September 30, 1952, and asked the Chair to consider calling a special meeting to take up the matter before the Council. The president ruled that no meeting could be called unless notice of 24 hours was given to all the members, or with the consent of all the members.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

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

The Executive Committee, to whom was referred July 2, 1952, a resolution favoring consideration by the Legislature of a petition now held under Joint Rule 7B, authorizing the City of Boston to borrow money for school construction purposes, submits the following report recommending passage of the resolution in the following new draft and directing that a copy of the report of the committee be forwarded to the House Committee on Rules of the Massachusetts Legislature.

For the Committee,

JOSEPH C. WHITE, Chairman.

Resolved, That after examination of the problem, it has become apparent to the Boston City Council that there is a need for certain new school buildings in Boston.

The City Council feels, however, that the desirability of the approval of the petition in its present form by the Legislature has not been clearly established and requests detailed examination of it by the General Court.

The petition apparently authorizes the expenditure of \$15,000,000 by the end of the year 1954. The capital improvement program of the Boston City Planning Board, on the other hand, would authorize the expenditure for this purpose in the same years (to end of 1954) of only \$8,600,000. All are agreed that adherence at least to the Planning Board Capital Improvement Program maximum figures is desirable. We feel that this seeming contradiction should be reconciled before the program is put into effect.

The Council also feels that the words "remodeling, reconstructing and making extraordinary repairs" are rather too broad and may well yield a situation where expenditures which should properly be included in the annual budget may be taken out of money borrowed for new construction. Expenditure of moneys is not limited in this petition with sufficient clarity to the purpose of new construction.

We have concluded there is a pressing need this year for an authorization by the Legislature for the borrowing of the sum of \$3,465,000.

We invite the attention of the General Court to the policy of the City of Boston over the past 15 years; namely, that all new school construction during that period has been accomplished out of current revenue and not from moneys obtained through loans; and further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be sent to the House Committee on Rules of the Legislature.

Resolved, That the City Council of Boston favors the consideration by the Legislature of the petition now held under Joint Rule 7B authorizing the City of Boston to borrow for

school construction purposes sums now reading in the aggregate \$15,000,000 but recommends that the petition be amended by the Legislature to the effect that the sum so authorized shall not exceed \$3,465,000; provided, that any such legislation enacted includes a referendum to the Mayor and City Council.

The question came on the acceptance of the committee's report, and on a voice vote, the Chair declared the report accepted. Councillor White doubted the vote and on a rising vote, the report was accepted. President Piemonte noted, so that the record might be clear, the dissent of Councillor White to that part of the report and resolution incorporating the proposed \$3,465,000 bond issue.

On motion of Councillor Foley the resolution approving the sum of \$3,465,000 as amended was adopted, and the report of the committee in the form of the foregoing resolution was adopted.

Adjourned at 8.13 P.M., on motion of Councillor Ward, to meet on Monday, July 14, 1952, 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, July 9, 1952.

Special meeting of the City Council, held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 11 A.M., President PIEMONTE in the chair. Absent, Councillors Hailer, Ward, White.

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, July 7, 1952.

A special meeting of the City Council will be held in its Chamber, City Hall, on Wednesday, July 9, 1952, at 11 o'clock A.M.

By order of the court.

W. J. MALLOY,
City Clerk.

Subject: To draw jurors.

Placed on file.

JURORS DRAWN.

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

Five additional grand jurors, Superior Criminal Court, to appear August 4, 1952:

Joseph J. Giglio, Jr., Ward 1; Anna C. Connolly, Ward 2; Elizabeth M. Ross, Ward 4; George Kline, Ward 11; Albert V. Hall, Ward 15.

Coun. KERRIGAN in the chair.

Fifty-three traverse jurors, Superior Criminal Court, to appear August 4, 1952:

Justin Crisafulli, Ward 1; Luigi D'Addio, Ward 1; Vincent Ficaglia, Ward 1; Donald Leib, Ward 1; Andy V. Rossi, Ward 1; Vincent Balboni, Ward 2; Daniel A. Carey, Ward 2; Arthur H. Hansen, Ward 2; Joseph P. Zuffante, Jr., Ward 2; Alfred H. Bloom, Ward 3; Rocco A. Cardalisco, Ward 3; Anthony Franciosa, Ward 3; Charles B. Allen, Ward 4; Edward Austin, Ward 4; Warren T. Harris, Ward 4; Walter C. Jacobson, Ward 4; John F. Mohigan, Ward 4; Charles B. Young, Ward 4; Leonard F. Martin, Ward 5; Bruce B. Peach, Ward 5; Stephen T. Costello, Ward 6; Claire M. Halligan, Ward 6; Rosanna J. Cronin, Ward 7; George L. Lencich, Ward 7; Robert McColgan, Ward 7; Marion V. Sheridan, Ward 7; A. Byron Adams, Ward 8; William M. Burgess, Ward 8; Michael Sullivan, Ward 8.

Harry H. Belmore, Ward 10; Edward J. McLellan, Ward 10; John McManus, Ward 10; William J. O'Keefe, Ward 10; Harry O. Renner, Jr., Ward 10; Charlotte E. Carlson, Ward 11; Mabel E. Coles, Ward 11; William Allen, Ward 12; Clarence C. Callender, Ward 12; Mary E. Foster, Ward 12; Dennis F. Sullivan, Ward 13; Max Wasserman, Ward 14; William J. Dobbins, Ward 15; Walter M. Brooks, Ward 16; Joseph E. DeRenno, Ward 17; James Joseph Niles, Ward 17; Charles J. Trieger, Ward 17; Henry G. Jones, Ward 18; Kathryn Downey, Ward 19; Fred W. Haberland, Ward 19; Frank W. Page, Ward 20; Arthur Marder, Ward 21; George H. Boudreau, Ward 22; Anna T. McCarthy, Ward 22.

President PIEMONTE in the chair.

The purpose for which the meeting was called having been accomplished, President PIEMONTE declared the meeting adjourned at 11.52 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.

Monday, July 14, 1952.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President PIEMONTE in the chair. Absent, Councillor White.

The Rev. James Walsh, C.S.P., of the Catholic Information Center, Boston, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY REV. JAMES WALSH.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

Direct O Lord, we beseech Thee, all our actions, and carry them on by Thy gracious assistance that every good work of ours may begin always from Thee and by Thee happily ended, through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Let us pray. O Almighty and Eternal God, Supreme Legislator, Divine Model of lawgivers, from whom all authority proceeds, look down with favor upon these Thy servants, the elected representatives of the people. Vouchsafe to them prudence and courage in making Thy will known to their fellow men. Grant that they will seek guidance in humble prayer and legislate according to the unchangeable principles of right and wrong, so that the freedom of our people will be securely maintained and the prosperity of our city both material and spiritual will be effectively guaranteed.

This we ask through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

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 Coal, Weigher of Goods, and Measurer of Wood, for the term ending April 30, 1953: Wallace R. Young, 33 Vermont avenue, Somerville.

Referred to the Committee on Confirmations.

TRAFFIC SIGNAL LIGHTS AT COMMONWEALTH AND CHESTNUT HILL AVENUES, BRIGHTON.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 9, 1952.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:
I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of the Boston Traffic Commission relative to your order of June 30, 1952, concerning the request for the installation of traffic signal lights at the corner of Commonwealth avenue and Chestnut Hill avenue, Brighton.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
July 7, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

With reference to City Council order dated June 30, 1952, directing "That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor

the Mayor, to install traffic signal lights at the corner of Commonwealth avenue and Chestnut Hill avenue, Brighton," I submit the following report:

This area has been under consideration for traffic improvement for some time. We are at present engaged in a survey calling for a comprehensive change in Cleveland Circle, which change will incorporate the installation of traffic signal lights. Cleveland Circle is in the orbit of traffic movement from Chestnut Hill avenue and Commonwealth avenue and a design for a semirotary at Chestnut Hill avenue and Commonwealth avenue has not met with the full approval of the Traffic Commission.

A plan to make the inner roadway of Commonwealth avenue, from Wallingford road to Lake street, one way, is under consideration in the hope that this might permit the installation of traffic signal lights without rotorization of traffic at Chestnut Hill avenue and Commonwealth avenue.

The present design of the intersection is such that traffic lights would not operate efficiently. The number of left turns which occur during the peak traffic hours would render traffic lights ineffective during these hours. Accordingly, we have been trying to work out some redesign that would make traffic lights possible.

It should be borne in mind that our present appropriation is not sufficient to provide for the extensive installation which would be required at this location, but when and if an appropriation is made to us for traffic light installations in the year 1953 it is our hope that we may then be able to include this location in our schedule.

If a complete redesign of the intersection is required, of course the Public Works Department, Street Laying-Out Department, the MTA, and other such agencies will be involved and a coordinated program will thus be necessary.

Respectfully yours,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

ELIMINATION OF TROLLEY BUS STOP ZONES.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 9, 1952.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:
I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of the Boston Traffic Commission, relative to your order of June 30, 1952, concerning the request to study whether the elimination of trolley bus stop zones is feasible and revert back to the original stops.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
July 7, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

With reference to the City Council order of June 30, directing "That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to study whether the elimination of trolley bus stop zones is feasible and revert back to the original stops," I submit the following report:

No particular locations are specified, but a memo indicating that this order was introduced by Councillor Hailer, indicates that perhaps West Roxbury is the region in question.

This subject was explored at some length during the past winter as a result of a proposal that the present bus stops be eliminated and that the buses be permitted to stop in the middle of the street and unload passengers at the streetcar stops which originally were located on Centre street, in West Roxbury.

The matter was brought to the attention of the MTA Trustees and a reply was received from them indicating that they were

opposed to any such action as one of the purposes of substituting buses and trackless trolleys for streetcars is to eliminate the hazard of pedestrians boarding and leaving mass transportation vehicles in the middle of the roadway.

The new bus and trackless trolley stops on Centre street are objectionable to some merchants, but the over-all public benefit warrants continuance of the present system of using the curbstone spaces for loading and unloading passengers.

It is the universal practice to so operate and a variation in one part of the city, or throughout the city, would not be an action beneficial to the cause of public safety.

Respectfully yours,

WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

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PEDESTRIAN SIGNAL LIGHT AT COLUMBIA ROAD AND ARION STREET, DORCHESTER.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, July 9, 1952.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of the Boston Traffic Commission relative to your order of June 30, 1952, concerning the request to consider the advisability for the installation of a pedestrian signal light at Columbia road and Arion street, Dorchester.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,

July 7, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston,

Dear Sir:

With reference to the Council order of June 30, 1952, directing "That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to consider the advisability of the installation of a pedestrian signal light at Columbia road and Arion street, Dorchester," I submit the following report:

This location has been under consideration for some time and seems to be thoroughly warranted.

We are prevented from going forward with this installation immediately because it will be a very expensive one and there are not sufficient funds available at the present time.

In signalizing this intersection it will be necessary to coordinate the signal with all of the other signals in Uphams Corner and, therefore, the expense is very great.

When and if an additional appropriation is made to this department for the installation of signal lights for the year 1953, it would then become possible to go forward with the installation requested.

Respectfully yours,

WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

TRAFFIC SIGNAL LIGHTS AT CAMBRIDGE, BLOSSOM, AND GARDEN STREETS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, July 14, 1952.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of the Boston Traffic Commission relative to your order of June 30, 1952, requesting the installation of traffic signal lights at the juncture of Cambridge, Blossom, and Garden streets in the West End district of the city.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,

July 10, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

With reference to City Council order dated June 30, 1952, ordering that the Traffic Commissioner be requested "to install traffic signal lights at the juncture of Cambridge, Blossom, and Garden streets in the West End district of the city," I wish to report that when Cambridge street is to be resurfaced within the next few months as a Chapter 90 project the underground conduit will be placed for future traffic signals.

Anticipated new signals will be located at the intersection of Blossom, Cambridge, and Garden streets; the intersection of Cambridge, Grove, and North Grove streets, and at Cambridge, North Russell, and South Russell streets.

These lights, plus the anticipated continuous divisional island in the center of the roadway should serve to increase the public safety substantially.

At the present time there are no funds available for our department to complete the signalization of any of the above locations, but, when and if an appropriation is made for 1953 expenditures we will then be able to complete the work on Cambridge street.

Respectfully yours,

WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF JAMES E. KENNEDY.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, July 7, 1952.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Chairman of the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans relative to your order of June 30, 1952, concerning the request that the square at the corner of Perkins, Day, and Centre streets in Hyde square be named in honor of James E. Kennedy, who lost his life on July 16, 1950, in Korea, while in the service of his country.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,

Street Laying-Out Department.

July 3, 1952.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I am returning herewith copy of Council order introduced by Councillors Hurley and Ward requesting that the Committee to Memorialize Veterans designate the square at the corner of Perkins, Day, and Centre streets, Jamaica Plain district, be named in honor of the late James E. Kennedy.

I regret exceedingly to advise that this particular intersection has already been named in behalf of Cornelius T. Mahoney, and under the circumstances it will be necessary for the councillors to submit a new location that has not already been named.

Very truly yours,

L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

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ELECTRIC LIGHTING ON TOWER, WOOD-LAWN, AND WELD HILL STREETS, FOREST HILLS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, July 7, 1952.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of June 9, 1952, concerning the request for the replacement of the gas lights on

Tower, Woodlawn, and Weld Hill streets in the Forest Hills section of the city with electric lighting.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
July 3, 1952.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Mr. Shannon:

This is in reference to the following order that was passed in the City Council under date of June 9:

"Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to replace the gas lights on Tower, Woodlawn, and Weld Hill streets in the Forest Hills section of the city with electric lighting."

In the calendar years of 1950 and 1951, we removed 2,375 gas lamps from the streets of this city and replaced them with modern electric street lights. This replacement program has been sharply curtailed during the current year, due to the inability of the Boston Edison Company to obtain the necessary equipment and materials for new electric street lights.

At the present time, there are approximately 4,600 gas lights remaining in the city, and it is our intention to replace them with electric lights as soon as possible. Practically every gas-lighted street is inadequately lighted, and practically all of them are in the same condition. For this reason, I do not feel that we should give any preference to a particular street, because, as stated, practically all gas-lighted streets are in the same category, and the sooner that all of the gas lights are replaced with modern electric lights, the better for all concerned.

The gas lights on the above-referenced Weld Hill street were removed and replaced with modern electric lights in March of 1951. Insofar as Tower and Woodlawn streets are concerned, you may be assured that they will receive the same attention as the many other heavily-populated residential streets in this city that are lighted by means of gas.

We are all in favor of replacing gas with electric light, and the completion of the program, as stated hereinbefore, will be expedited consistent with the ability of the Edison Company to provide the modern electric street lights.

Respectfully yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

ARC LIGHT IN CANTERBURY STREET,
ROSLINDALE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 7, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of June 30, 1952, concerning the request that an arc light be placed at number top number 1158-lower number 103, Edison light pole at Canterbury street, Roslindale.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
July 3, 1952.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

This is in reference to the following order that was passed in the City Council under date of June 30:

"Ordered, That the Street Lighting Division of the Public Works Department be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to put an arc light at number top number 1158-lower number 103, Edison light pole at Canterbury street, Roslindale."

A survey will be made to determine the necessity of installing an additional street light in Canterbury street at the above-referenced location. If the results of the survey are in the affirmative, arrangements will be made to install the light as requested.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

RESURFACING DE SOTO ROAD, WEST
ROXBURY.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 7, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of June 30, 1952, concerning the request to resurface, with smooth pavement, De Soto road, West Roxbury.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
July 3, 1952.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

This is in reference to the following order that was passed in the City Council under date of June 30:

"Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to resurface with smooth pavement De Soto road, West Roxbury."

The resurfacing of the above-referenced street is included in our current year's highway program and is also included in the list of streets included in the Maguire Report for construction.

Under the circumstances, therefore, I am pleased to report that the department will comply with the provisions of the above-referenced order.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

REBUILDING UNDERPASS AT END OF
ARCHDALE ROAD.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 7, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of June 30, 1952, concerning the request to rebuild the present underpass at the end of Archdale road, Ward 19, so that it may be used with safety as a foot passage-way to Hyde Park avenue.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
July 3, 1952.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

This is in reference to the following order that was passed in the City Council under date of June 30:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to rebuild the present underpass at the end of Archdale road, Ward 19, so that it may be used with safety as a foot passage-way to Hyde Park avenue."

A survey will be made to determine the advisability, practicability, and cost of converting the present abandoned Stony Brook Underpass for use as a pedestrian underpass. I am doubtful as to the desirability of this project, because

the present underpass is not centrally located, and I am not satisfied that there is a demand for a pedestrian connection between Washington street, in the vicinity of the Archdale Housing Project, and Hyde Park avenue.

However, as stated, a study will be made to determine the advisability of utilizing the present underpass for the use of pedestrians.

Very truly yours,

GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

PROCEDURE FOR APPEALS UNDER RECLASSIFICATION PLAN.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, July 10, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Director of Civil Service which is in reply to your order of June 30, 1952, concerning the appeal period for employees under the Classification and Compensation Plan.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Department of Civil Service and Registration,
State House, July 8, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of July 2 in which you sent me an order adopted by the City Council at its meeting on June 30, 1952.

This letter refers to the reclassification of employees of the City of Boston, made in conjunction with and as the result of the survey conducted by the Jacobs Company with funds made available by the City Council, and under contract authorized by the Mayor of the City of Boston.

The order refers to final determinations of the Civil Service Commission. It should refer to initial determinations of the Director of Civil Service, in which each employee was given a 14-day appeal period to run after notice to each employee of the action taken in each case.

I am not at all informed as to the reason for the order of the City Council, which on its face appears to be interceding on behalf of employees of the city in matters in which the Division of Civil Service is authorized by law to act. I should like to assure the City Council that I have a great solicitation for the employees of the City of Boston and will permit nothing to happen to their cases which a good classification plan and sound discretion on my part can prevent. Any employee, where any extenuating circumstances are shown, can secure from me an extension of the normal 14-day appeal period if he can set forth facts which would warrant that action.

Very truly yours,

THOMAS J. GREEHAN, Director.

Placed on file.

Coun. HAILER in the chair.

APPROPRIATION FOR PURCHASE OF MOTORCYCLES FOR POLICE DEPARTMENT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, July 14, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of the attached communication from the Police Commissioner in which he requests an appropriation of \$9,327 to permit the purchase of ten (10) motorcycles to be used by the Police Department in connection with the supervision of parking meters.

Under the provisions of section 1 of chapter 442 of the Acts of 1947, revenue received from parking meter fees may be used to meet neces-

sary expenses incurred for the regulation of parking and other traffic incidents thereto.

Since proper supervision of the use of parking meters will assure a full return to the city of established parking meter fees, I submit herewith an order providing for the appropriation of the amount requested by the Police Commissioner, and respectfully recommend its adoption by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,

Police Department, June 26, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes,

Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mayor Hynes:

When the Police Department budget for 1952 was considered by the Mayor and Budget Commissioner, it was agreed that the amount required under Item 502, Automotive Equipment, would be eliminated from the budget with the proviso that the necessary amount would be appropriated from revenue received from parking meter fees for ten (10) motorcycles with sidecars attached, used for checking parking meter violations.

After advertising in the usual manner, the lowest bid received for supplying these motorcycles was \$9,327. Therefore, it is respectfully requested that this amount be made available for their purchase.

Very truly yours,

T. F. SULLIVAN,
Police Commissioner.

Ordered, That the sum of nine thousand three hundred twenty-seven (9,327) dollars be, and the same hereby is, appropriated from the revenue received from parking meter fees, to be expended by the Police Commissioner, for the purchase of motorcycles to be used in the supervision of the use of parking meters.

Referred to Committee on Appropriations and Finance.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

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

Claims.

Able Rug Cleaners, Inc., for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Edwin F. Burns, for refund on license fees. John E. Campbell, Jr., to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

James E. Carroll, for compensation for damage to property at 46 Sturges road, West Roxbury, caused by ball thrown from Billings Field.

Robert G. Connolly, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect in Columbus avenue.

John J. Dewan, Jr., to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Police Department.

Gladys T. Ecker, for compensation for damage to property at 50 Sturges road, West Roxbury, caused by ball thrown from Billings Field.

Nathan Fredman, for compensation for damage to car by fire truck.

William P. Greene, for compensation for loss of glasses broken by truck of Park Department.

A. Hagberg, for compensation for damage to car by car of Long Island Hospital.

Eileen T. Harris, for compensation for damage to property at 43 Braddock Park, caused by bulldozer used by Public Works Department.

Lawrence T. Hatch, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Water Division, Public Works Department.

A. Hauck, caterer, for compensation for damage to property at 6 Corey street, West Roxbury, caused by leak in water pipe.

Alphonse Iavazzo, for compensation for damage to car by truck of Park Department.

William C. Karalekas, for compensation for loss of valuables at Deer Island.

Frank S. and Ida E. Kaufman, for compensation for damage to property at 214 and 216 Humboldt avenue, caused by water overflowing premises.

Rose Levine, for compensation for injuries and damage to property caused by an alleged defect in Washington street, Brighton.

Philip R. Loring, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Martin McDonnell, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Sanitary Division, Public Works Department.

Thomas McDonnell, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect in Ashmont street, Dorchester.

Emily A. Moran, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Van Ness street.

Marie Rago, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Prado Park, Boston.

James Riley, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Public Works Department, Sewer Division.

Rene Rosales, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 104 West Concord street.

Saul Rosenberg, for compensation for injuries and damage to property caused by city car.

Saul Rubin, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect at 27 Scollay square.

Ruth Simon, for compensation for damage to property at 99 Albano street, caused by city spraying trees.

Six Little Tailors, Inc., for compensation for damage to property at 205 Washington street, caused by broken water main.

Cora Weathers, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 90 Blackstone street.

Dorothy Weiner, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at Devonshire and Summer streets.

PETITIONS FOR ANNUITIES.

Petition of Mary A. Capeless, to be paid an annuity on account of the death of her husband, James E. Capeless, late member of Fire Department.

Petition of Katherine M. Russell, to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, Edward J. Russell, late member of Fire Department.

Referred to the Committee on Claims.

PETITION FOR INDEMNIFICATION.

Petition of James M. Sutton, employee of the Boston Fire Department, for indemnification for hospital, surgical, medical, and nursing expenses.

Referred to the Committee on Claims.

RETIREMENT OF ROGER W. BROWN.

The following was received:

Commonwealth of Massachusetts,

Municipal Court, City of Boston,

For Civil Business, July 11, 1952.

To the Retirement Authority for the County of Suffolk.

I hereby withdraw my application for retirement under the provisions of chapter 32, section 53 of the General laws as amended as I no longer hold the position of temporary clerk of this court under which I sought to be retired.

Respectfully submitted,

ROGER W. BROWN.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

APPROVAL OF STATE BOARD OF HOUSING.

Notice was received from the State Board of Housing of approval of expenditure of \$2,475 for demolition of buildings and structures at Morton street and Lennoco road, Veterans' 372 Housing Project.

Referred to Committee on Public Housing.

NOTICE FROM STATE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.

Notice was received from the State Department of Public Works of hearing to be held at its office on July 15, 1952, at 2.30 o'clock P.M., on application of State Airport Management Board for license to dredge and fill in Boston Harbor, at East Boston.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

APPOINTMENT OF JOHN F. DOOLIN.

Notice was received from the Health Department of the appointment of John F. Doolin as inspector of housing and sanitation (provisional appointment), effective July 7, 1952.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFIRMATIONS.

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

Report on appointment by the Mayor (referred June 30) of Myron Wilensky as weigher of coal, for term ending April 30, 1953—recommending that appointment be confirmed.

The report was accepted, and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councilors Hurley and Joyce. While number of ballots 7, yeas 7, and the appointment was confirmed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS.

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

1. Report on petition of Edward J. Wilson (referred June 23) to be reimbursed as a result of an execution issued against him on account of his acts as a member of the Fire Department—recommending passage of accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of one hundred seventy-seven dollars and ten cents (\$177.10) be allowed and paid to Edward J. Wilson in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as a member of the Fire Department, said sum to be charged to the appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

2. Report on petition of Joseph S. McCormick (referred June 23) to be reimbursed as a result of an execution issued against him on account of his acts as an employee of the Sanitary Division, Public Works Department—recommending passage of the accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of thirty-nine dollars and fifty-five cents (\$39.55) be allowed and paid to Joseph S. McCormick in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as an employee of the Sanitary Division, Public Works Department, said sum to be charged to the appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

Reports accepted; said orders severally passed.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS AT RESERVATION ROAD AND RIVER STREET, HYDE PARK.

Coun. WARD offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request the Traffic Commissioner to install traffic lights

at the intersection of Reservation road and River street, Hyde Park.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

"CAUTION—CHILDREN" SIGNS ON PROSPECT AND SYCAMORE STREETS, ROSLINDALE.

Coun. WARD offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install "Caution—Children" signs on Prospect and Sycamore streets in Roslindale.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

CERTAIN BENEFITS TO THE WIDOWS OF CERTAIN FORMER MEMBERS OF THE BOSTON RETIREMENT SYSTEM.

Coun. WARD offered the following:

Ordered, That chapter 629 of the Acts of 1952 entitled, "An Act extending certain benefits under the State-Boston Retirement System to the widows of certain former members of the Boston Retirement System," be, and hereby is, accepted.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

EXTENSION OF FEDERAL RENT CONTROL.

Coun. AHEARN offered the following:

Whereas, Under the provisions of the Federal Housing and Rent Control Act of 1947, as amended, the provisions of said act setting up "Rent Control" so called, shall cease to be in effect after September 30, 1952, in any area not certified as a critical defense housing area; and

Whereas, The City of Boston is not certified as a critical defense housing area; and

Whereas, The City Council of Boston out of consideration for the health and welfare of the citizens of Boston feel that a great and undue hardship would be worked on the citizens of Boston by the untimely ending of this Federal Rent Control Law as of September 30, 1952; and

Whereas, The City Council of Boston realizes that under said law by a technical definition of the words, "critical defense housing area," Boston is not included therein, nevertheless a great and substantial housing shortage in Boston exists especially for our citizens of lower income; and

Whereas, Said Federal Housing and Rent Control Law, as amended, specifically authorizes the governing body of an incorporated city to continue said Federal Law in effect by a resolution of its governing body declaring a substantial shortage of housing; now, therefore,

The City Council of Boston, in meeting assembled, pursuant to the provisions of the Housing and Rent Control Act of 1947, as amended, do hereby declare and

Resolve, That a substantial shortage of housing accommodations exists which requires the continuance of Federal Rent Control in Boston pursuant to the provisions of the Housing and Rent Act of 1947 as most recently amended by the "Defense Production Act Amendments of 1952"; and be it further

Resolved, That pursuant to the provisions of said Housing and Rent Control Act of 1947 as amended, the President of the United States be notified in writing of the action of this Body.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF GEORGE S. GILLOOLY.

Coun. AHEARN offered the following:

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

of the square at the intersection of Denby and Cambridge streets, Allston, in honor of Sergt. George S. Gillooly of the United States Army Air Corps who was killed in Burma in 1944.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

STREET IMPROVEMENTS ON HARMONY STREET, EAST BOSTON.

Coun. AHEARN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to resurface Harmony street in the East Boston section with smooth pavement; and be it further

Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install granolithic sidewalks on Harmony street.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

PENSION TO VINCENT H. FLANNERY.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:

Ordered, That chapter 512 of the Acts of 1952, entitled "An Act Authorizing the City of Boston to Pension Vincent H. Flannery," be, and hereby is, accepted.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

THE NEXT MEETING.

On motion of Councillor Hurley, the Council voted that when it adjourn it be to meet on Monday, July 28, 1952, at 2 P.M. Later in the session, on motion of Councillor Hurley, the foregoing vote was reconsidered. On further motion of Councillor Hurley the Council voted that when it adjourn it be to meet on Monday, August 4, 1952, at 2 P.M.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE TO STANLEY WOLLASTON.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That Stanley Wollaston, permanent stenographer-clerk of the City Council, be granted a leave of absence from his duties as stenographer-clerk for a period of six months from July 1, 1952, to January 1, 1953.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

COMMENDATION OF JOHN L. MALONEY.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:

Whereas, In the knowledge of the officers and members of this organization, Firefighters Local No. 718, City of Boston, it is known that since approximately 1943, all petitions for annuity presented by the widows of our deceased members have been impartially and competently handled by an attache of the City Council, John L. Maloney; and

Whereas, During this entire period of time, with no thought to the time and effort expended, Mr. Maloney has been most obliging and contributed much to the equitable handling of these petitions and no complaint has ever been registered with the Annuity Committee of our organization; and

Whereas, The thanks of the Annuity Committee have been extended to Mr. Maloney on many occasions for his humane understanding of the problems of these widows; and

Whereas, Every widow who has been interviewed by Mr. Maloney whether her petition was approved, or disapproved, has only the highest praise for Mr. Maloney for his courtesy and kind consideration; therefore be it

Resolved, That the members of Firefighters Local No. 718 desire to urge the members of the Boston City Council to appropriate a suitable sum and designate a title suitable to the position and name a qualified man to

handle all petitions for annuity entered by the widows of deceased firemen and police officers, and thus assure a continuance of the humane and eminently fair treatment.

On motion of Councillor Kerrigan the resolution was referred to the Executive Committee.

TRAFFIC LIGHT AT CENTRE, ELMDALE, AND ADAMS STREETS, DORCHESTER.

Coun. JOYCE offered the following:

Ordered, That the Boston Traffic Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install a traffic light, with push buttons, at the intersection of Centre, Elmdale, and Adams streets, Dorchester.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS.

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

1. Report on petition of Mary V. Maher (referred June 16), to be paid an annuity on account of death of her husband, Michael J. Maher, late member of 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 fifteen hundred dollars be allowed and paid to Mary V. Maher, widow of Michael J. Maher, a member of the Fire Department, who died on May 7, 1952, 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.

2. Report on petition of Mary L. McCarthy (referred April 21), to be paid an annuity on account of death of her husband, John F. McCarthy, 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 two thousand one hundred twenty-four dollars be allowed and paid to Mary L. McCarthy, widow of John F. McCarthy, a member of the Police Department, who died on April 3, 1952, on account of injuries received in the performance of his duty; said annuity being made up of allowances as follows:

For the widow, Mary L. McCarthy, so long as she remains unmarried, \$1,500 per annum.

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, \$312 per annum:

John F. McCarthy, born April 15, 1942;

Paul V. McCarthy, born March 12, 1945;

provided, however, that if the widow remarries the annuity for each of the 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.

3. Report on petition of Anna M. Donovan (referred June 16), to be paid an annuity on account of death of her husband, Michael J. Donovan, late member of 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 fifteen hundred dollars be allowed and paid to Anna M. Donovan, widow of Michael J. Donovan, a member of the Fire Department, who died on March 14, 1951, 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.

Reports accepted; said orders severally passed.

MONTHLY CONFERENCES WITH THE MAYOR.

Coun. FOLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That under section 17F of chapter 452 of the Acts of 1948 as amended by chapter 376 of the Acts of 1951, the City Council of Boston makes the following inquiry of his Honor the Mayor to be answered on July 28, 1952:

Will his Honor the Mayor find it possible to comply with the Council resolution of June 12, 1952 (page 139 of the Council Proceedings), requesting monthly informal conferences between the Mayor and full Council?

Passed under suspension of the rules.

SPORT FISHING AT LONG ISLAND VIADUCT.

Coun. FOLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Recreation be requested by his Honor the Mayor to study the feasibility of the following proposed recreational program and submit a report to the Boston City Council on July 28, 1952, or as soon thereafter as possible:

1. Recreational use of the Long Island Viaduct for sport fishing by citizens of Boston.

2. Licensing of such use at fee sufficient to compensate the city for any expense involved.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

PICNIC GROUNDS ON HARBOR ISLANDS.

Coun. FOLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Recreation be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to study the feasibility of the following proposed recreational program and submit a report to the Boston City Council on July 28, 1952, or as soon thereafter as practicable:

Proposed Program.

1. Use of one or more of the harbor islands (i.e., Gallups Island, Georges Island, Long Island, Thompson Island, Lovell Island, or Rainsford Island) as picnic grounds.

2. Use of the East Boston Ferry for transportation of groups of young people from Boston and East Boston primarily, and from Charlestown, if feasible, to the island selected and return during the hours of the day when vehicular traffic on the ferry is at low ebb.

3. Use of moneys from the Randidge Trust Fund for preparation of the picnic site or sites selected and for such additional expenses as may be incurred.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

RESURFACING SUNNYSIDE AVENUE, HYDE PARK.

Coun. KERRIGAN, for Councillor White, offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to resurface with smooth pavement Sunnyside avenue, Hyde Park.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

INCREASING COMPENSATION OF MEMBERS OF POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:

Ordered, That chapter 586 of the Acts of 1952, entitled "An Act Increasing the Compensation of the Members of the Police Department of the City of Boston," be, and hereby is, accepted.

Referred to Committee on Appropriations and Finance.

RECLASSIFICATION LISTS TO BE MADE
AVAILABLE TO EMPLOYEES.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 14, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication of the Budget Commissioner with reference to the order adopted by your Body on June 30 requesting copies of classification and compensation lists. You will note that it is the intention of the Budget Commissioner to furnish the information desired when the compensation plan is finally accepted.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Budget Department, July 11, 1952.
Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of the Council order passed June 30, 1952, and reading as follows: "Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to prepare sufficient copies of lists referred to in orders of this date re classification submitted by Councillors Piemonte and Ahearn, so that each department may be supplied with at least one complete listing for each ten employees affected by the Reclassification Plan, and that such lists be made available for the use of said employees in convenient places near their usual place of employment."

The Director of Civil Service has notified each individual employee of the allocation of his classification. He has also furnished to each department head, with the exception of the City Hospital, Sanatorium Division, Welfare Department, and Long Island Hospital, which he did not reclassify, an alphabetic listing of each employee together with a corresponding classification allocation. The Director of Civil Service has also furnished this department with an alphabetical list of the classifications he has approved.

It is our intention, when a compensation plan has been finally accepted by his Honor the Mayor, to place the grade number alongside each classification and publish sufficient copies of this listing together with copies of the compensation schedule for use by the various departments of the city.

Respectfully yours,
JOHN A. SULLIVAN,
Budget Commissioner.

On motion of Councillor Kerrigan the message was referred to the Executive Committee.

INFORMATION RE RECLASSIFICATION
OF EMPLOYEES.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 14, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith a communication of the Budget Commissioner with reference to the order passed by your Body on June 30, 1952, requesting various information relative to employees. It will be noted that the information desired will be furnished by the Budget Commissioner when all the data requested is available.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Budget Department, July 11, 1952.
Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of the Council order passed June 30, 1952, and reading as follows: "Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request the Civil Service Commission or agencies having power to so do, to amend the rule or regulation limiting the right of appeal by any

employee aggrieved by the classification of the Jacobs survey be extended to 14 days from the date of the publication of a schedule of all employees in the City of Boston as of June 1, 1952, together with the designation as to whether they are permanent, temporary, or provisional, the classification of said employee, the department to which he or she is assigned, the salary he or she was receiving as of June 1, 1952, and the classification and salary he or she will receive as a result of the recommendations of the Jacobs survey; and be it further

"Ordered, That the aforesaid information be compiled and prepared for publication forthwith."

On two previous occasions, in reply to similar orders, the City Council was advised that it would be impossible for this department to furnish the information requested in the exact form as stated in the order. It follows, therefore, that it will not be possible to comply with the above Council order. The facilities of this department are being used to capacity revising the compensation plan made necessary because the Civil Service Director did not approve all the classifications recommended in the Jacobs survey. Conferences are also being held with various employee representatives and individuals with reference to variations in compensation grades. This revised compensation plan will then have to be accepted by the Mayor's Executive Committee on Administration and subsequently approved by his Honor the Mayor. This department will then have to determine by departments, for each individual employee, his salary classification as of the first Wednesday in April; his new classification and salary grade; and the number of years of service. When this information is compiled it will then be possible to determine the exact amount necessary to be transferred from the lump sum appropriation to each individual department so that the compensation plan may become operative with the least possible delay.

It is absolutely essential that this department concentrate on the procedure as outlined above and, as previously stated, when the above information is finally completed the City Council can then be furnished substantially the information requested in the above order.

Respectfully yours,
JOHN A. SULLIVAN,
Budget Commissioner.

Coun. FOLEY in the chair.

On motion of Councillor Piemonte the message was referred to the Executive Committee.

ANNUAL LIST OF APPOINTMENTS OF
CONSTABLES TO SERVE WITHOUT
BOND.

Coun. PIEMONTE recalled from the Committee on Confirmations (referred April 28) the annual list of appointments of constables not authorized to serve civil process and to serve without bond.

On motion of Councillor Ward, the appointments were laid on the table.

CONFIRMATION OF CONSTABLES.

With unanimous consent Councillors Piemonte, Ahearn, Joyce, and Ward made statements explaining their positions on the confirmation of constables.

RECESS.

On motion of Councillor Ahearn, the Council voted to take a recess at 4.15 P.M., subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled in the Council Chamber and were called to order by President PIEMONTE at 6.12 P.M.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

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

1. Report on message of the Mayor (referred June 30) relative to rights of appeal under reclassification of employees—that same be placed on file.

2. Report on message of Mayor (referred today) relative to reply of Budget Commissioner about information on employees under reclassification plan—that same be placed on file.

3. Report on message of Mayor (referred today) relative to copies of lists on reclassification of employees being supplied to each department—that same be placed on file.

The reports were accepted and the messages were placed on file.

4. Report on message of Mayor (referred June 30) vetoing order for pension of Roger W. Brown—recommending no further action necessary.

The report was accepted.

5. Report on communication from Roger W. Brown (referred today) withdrawing his application for retirement as temporary clerk of Municipal Court of City of Boston for Civil Business—that same be placed on file.

The report was accepted and communication was placed on file.

6. Report on order (referred June 30) for payment of a sum of money to James F. Drey for compensation for services as a teacher—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the order was passed.

7. Report on resolution (referred today) favoring continuance of Federal Rent Control in City of Boston—recommending passage of the following order:

Whereas, The Federal Housing and Rent Act of 1947, as most recently amended by the Federal Defense Production Act Amendment of 1952, provides, in part, that the provisions of Title II thereof concerning maximum rents shall cease to be in effect at the close of September 30, 1952, except that they shall cease to be in effect at the close of April 30, 1953, "in any incorporated city, town, or village which, at a time when maximum rents under this title are in effect therein, and prior to September 30, 1952, declares (by resolution of its governing body adopted for that purpose, or by popular referendum in accordance with local law) that a substantial shortage of housing accommodations exists which requires the continuance of federal rent control in such city, town, or village;" and

Whereas, Maximum rents under said Title II are now in effect in the City of Boston, Massachusetts; now, therefore, it is hereby

Ordered, That, for the purpose of continuing in effect in said City of Boston to the close of April 30, 1953, the provisions of Title II of the Federal Housing and Rent Act of 1947, as amended, it be, and hereby is, declared that a substantial shortage of housing accommodations exists which requires the continuance of federal rent control in said City of Boston; and

Ordered, That the City Clerk of the City of Boston be, and he hereby is, authorized and directed to notify the President of the United States and also the Office of Rent Stabilization

in writing of this order promptly after it has been approved by his Honor the Mayor.

The report was accepted and the order was passed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LICENSES.

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

1. Report on petition of West Roxbury Bowling Center (referred May 19) for license to operate bowling alleys on the Lord's Day—recommending that license be granted.

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

2. Report on notice of hearing on petition of City of Boston and Town of Hull (referred June 30) protesting increased fares and charges by Wilson Line of Massachusetts—that same be placed on file.

3. Report on notice of hearing on petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority (referred June 16) for license to operate motor vehicles on Broadway, Tremont street and Shawmut avenue—that same be placed on file.

4. Report on notice of hearing on petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority (referred June 16) for license to operate motor vehicles over temporary road from Causeway street, crossing Haverhill street, over North Station surface platform—that same be placed on file.

Reports accepted, and the notices were severally placed on file.

5. Report on petition of Eastern Massachusetts Street Railway Company (referred March 24) for license to operate motor vehicles on Blackstone, North, Cross, and Hanover streets—that same ought not to be granted.

The report was accepted and the petition was rejected.

APPROPRIATION FROM PARKING METER FEES TO BOARD OF REAL ESTATE COMMISSIONERS.

Coun. FOLEY called up, under unfinished business, No. 2 on the Calendar, viz.:

2. Order for appropriation of \$75,000 from "Parking Meter Fees" to be expended by the Board of Real Estate Commissioners for acquiring off-street parking areas and facilities and constructing or reconstructing and resurfacing such areas and facilities in the Roslindale area.

On June 23, 1952, the foregoing order was read once and passed, yeas 8, nays 0.

The question came on giving the order its second reading and passage. The order was given its second reading and passage, yeas 6, nays 2:

Yeas—Councillors Foley, Hailer, Joyce, Kerigan, Piemonte, Ward—6.

Nays—Councillors Ahearn, Hurley—2.

Adjourned at 6.39 P.M., on motion of Councillor Ward, to meet on Monday, August 4, 1952, 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, July 17, 1952.

Special meeting of the City Council, held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President PIEMONTE in the chair. Absent, Councillors Ahern and Ward.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

The meeting was held pursuant to the following call:

Boston City Council,
Office of the President,
July 16, 1952.

To the Members of the City Council.

You are hereby requested to assemble in the City Council Chamber, City Hall, on Thursday, July 17, 1952, at two o'clock P.M., for the purpose of considering an order pending before the City Council for the appropriation of \$75,000, from the special account "Parking Meter Fees," to be expended by the Board of Real Estate Commissioners for acquiring off-street parking areas, etc., and for such other business as may come before the City Council.

Respectfully,
GABRIEL F. PIEMONTE,
President.

Placed on file.

VETO OF ORDER FOR APPROPRIATION OF \$75,000 FOR OFF-STREET PARKING IN THE ROSLINDALE AREA.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 16, 1952.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I return herewith disapproved, and without my signature, the order adopted by your Honorable Body for an appropriation of \$75,000 for off-street parking "in the Roslindale area."

On June 30 I submitted to your Body an opinion of the Corporation Counsel to the effect that any restrictive conditions placed on an appropriation order by your Body is not authorized under the provisions of the City Charter. Therefore, the order as most recently passed by your Body cannot be approved.

I most respectfully suggest that action be taken promptly on the orders submitted by me on June 30, one for \$75,000 which will provide for a parking area in the Roslindale section, and the other for \$375,000 which will provide for six other parking areas in other sections of the city where the local parking problem is equally as acute.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

REPORT ON URBAN REDEVELOPMENT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 15, 1952.

To the City Council.

I transmit herewith, in accordance with your order of recent date, a report of the progress made in the Urban Redevelopment Division of the Boston Housing Authority.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

- (1) THE PROGRESS TO DATE OF PLANS TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE URBAN REDEVELOPMENT ACT OF 1949 PASSED BY CONGRESS.

The Boston Housing Authority executed a contract for a Preliminary Planning advance for \$120,000 with the Division of Slum Clearance and Urban Redevelopment, Housing and Home Finance Agency, on September 26, 1950. The contract designated three study areas which qualified under Title I of the Housing Act of 1949, namely:

Study Area A—Mattapan District.
Study Area B—West End.
Study Area C—South End and inner Roxbury District.

A skeleton staff was appointed by the Boston Housing Authority to set up an Urban Redevelopment Department in February, 1951. Limited funds under the contract were released by Washington for this skeleton staff to develop a Detailed Work Program satisfactory to Washington for the undertaking of redevelopment activities.

The Detailed Work Program was developed and submitted to Washington in June, 1951, and finally approved November, 1951, by Washington. Additional funds were released by Washington for the recruitment of a full staff to carry out the Preliminary Planning Studies as outlined in the Detailed Work Program.

Since November, 1951, the entire three-study areas have been screened and studied for feasible redevelopment project possibilities. (Under the law the redevelopment of cleared slums must be undertaken by private enterprise; hence in order for a project to be feasible, there must be a demand by private enterprise for the new reuse of the cleared slum area.)

Three portions of the study areas have been delineated as having feasible project possibilities. They are as follows:

Mattapan Area—for low density residential redevelopment; tentative project boundaries include approximately 81 acres within Study Area A.

The New York Streets Area of the South End Study Area—for industrial redevelopment.

The West End Area—for high density multiple apartment residential redevelopment and for light industry, parking and commercial redevelopment.

Preliminary Planning Studies for the Mattapan project have been completed and a report prepared for submission to Washington.

Preliminary Planning Studies for the New York Streets project have been completed and the report of the study is being documented for submission to Washington. The report will be ready by July 15, 1952.

Preliminary Planning Studies for the West End have commenced. It is estimated that these studies will be completed and a report prepared by September 30, 1952.

- (2) of the City Council order:

THE AREAS SELECTED FOR REDEVELOPMENT IN BOSTON UNDER THE ACT AND THE PRIORITY OF SUCH AREAS.

The first part of this question is answered in the reply to (1) above. The priority of these areas is assigned as follows:

The redevelopment of the Mattapan project and the New York Streets project will be undertaken simultaneously. Since Mattapan is a predominantly open land area, which qualifies because of arrested growth, it must be an adjunct to a slum area project according to the policy set by the Administrator of the Housing and Home Finance Agency. This Authority undertook the Preliminary Planning Studies for Mattapan first because the feasibility of the project for redevelopment was more readily ascertainable for the following reasons:

1. The amount of families to be displaced was negligible.
2. There is a definite market for an attractive residential development in Boston.
3. An increase in the supply of housing in Boston would help the relocation of fam-

ilies displaced by a slum redevelopment project by the infiltration process.

4. This project shows a very favorable fiscal gain to the city because of the large increase in taxable values which would be created by the redevelopment.

The West End area received third position in the project delineation because the difficult and complicated problems of high land acquisition costs and high construction costs raised serious questions on the feasibility of new residential redevelopment and its marketability, and, hence, necessitated careful study, market analysis and considerable investigation before the area indicated feasible project possibilities sufficient to warrant Preliminary Planning Studies.

(3) of the City Council order:

AN ACCOUNT OF ALL MONEY EXPENDED TO DATE FOR WORKS PRELIMINARY TO OBTAINING GRANTS UNDER THE URBAN REDEVELOPMENT ACT.

Up to the end of June, 1952, this Authority has expended \$83,000. These expenditures were for staff salaries, administrative overhead, supplies, office equipment and furniture, consultant services, technical studies, preliminary appraisals, land surveys, and legal services.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

RECESS.

On motion of Councillor White, the Council voted to take a recess at 2.27 P.M., subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled in the Council Chamber and were called to order by President PIEMONTE at 4.04 P.M.

RESOLUTION RE APPROPRIATION ORDERS FOR OFF-STREET PARKING AREAS.

Coun. FOLEY offered the following:

Whereas, It has been established that off-street parking facilities are required in the Roslindale area; and

Whereas, The City Council has made, by passage of the order on July 14, 1952, adequate provision for the financing of such off-street parking facilities in Roslindale; and

Whereas, Because of legislative objections of doubtful value by which his Honor the Mayor has seen fit to guide his action in this matter, it now appears that the project will be delayed; and

Whereas, Because of the extensive consideration which the Council has given this matter, the Executive Department has recently committed itself to the construction of the first off-street parking area in Roslindale; be it therefore

Resolved, That this Council approves the order submitted by his Honor the Mayor so that the construction of the off-street parking facility in Roslindale may proceed and not be delayed by legal difficulties; be it further

Resolved, That this Council emphatically declares that it in no way, shape, or manner accepts, adopts, or approves the legal opinion of the Corporation Counsel on this manner as in any way a delineation or limitation of its powers.

The resolution was adopted, yeas 5, nays 2:
Yeas—Councillors Foley, Hailer, Joyce, Kerrigan, Piemonte—5.

Nays—Councillors Hurley, White—2.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

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

Report on the message of the Mayor and order (referred June 30) for appropriation of \$75,000 for off-street parking areas—recommending that same ought to pass.

The report of the committee was accepted, and the question came on giving the order its

first reading and passage. The order was given its first reading and passage, yeas 7, nays 0:

Yeas—Councillors Foley, Hailer, Hurley, Joyce, Kerrigan, Piemonte, White—7.

Nays—0.

The order was referred to the Executive Committee.

CORPORATION COUNSEL TO APPEAR BEFORE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL.

Coun. KERRIGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the order appropriating \$75,000 for off-street parking be given its first reading today and that the Corporation Counsel and whatever assistants he may deem advisable appear before the Executive Committee personally on August 4, 1952, at 2 P.M., to give the committee a detailed explanation of his opinion given to his Honor the Mayor on June 30, 1952, and a statement as to whether or not he has explored most recent cases.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS.

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

Report on petition of Robert V. Crowley (referred June 9) to be reimbursed for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as an employee of the Park Department—recommending passage of accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of four hundred seventy-three dollars and eighty-two cents (\$473.82) be allowed and paid to Robert V. Crowley in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as an employee of the Park Department, said sum to be charged to the appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCE.

Coun. JOYCE, for the Committee on Appropriations and Finance, submitted the following:

Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred June 23) for appropriation of \$40,000 from income of Parkman Fund—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed, yeas 7, nays 0:

Yeas—Councillors Foley, Hailer, Hurley, Joyce, Kerrigan, Piemonte, White—7.

Nays—0.

DEMONSTRATIONS OF SAILING PROGRAM.

Coun. FOLEY, PIEMONTE, KERRIGAN, JOYCE, and HAILER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Park Department during the month of August conduct brief demonstrations of the Park Department sailing program in the Bayswater section of East Boston, the Pleasure Bay section of South Boston, and the Savin Hill section of Dorchester, that the boats be towed to these areas by the recently acquired motorboat, and that suitable provision for evaluation of interest in the program in those areas be made by the Board of Recreation.

The question first came on the suspension of the rules. The rules were suspended, yeas 7, nays 0:

Yeas—Councillors Foley, Hailer, Hurley, Joyce, Kerrigan, Piemonte, White—7.

Nays—0.

The question then came on the passage of the order. The order was passed, yeas 7, nays 0:
Yeas—Councillors Foley, Hailer, Hurley, Joyce, Kerrigan, Piemonte, White—7.
Nays—0.

INVESTIGATION AND REPORT ON REST HOMES IN CITY.

Coun. HAILER recalled from the Committee on Public Services and Recreation, the order (referred February 25) for investigation of rest homes in the city.

Coun. HAILER moved to amend the order by striking out the words "within the next three months" and inserting in place thereof the words "before August 4, 1952."

The amendment was carried.
The order, as amended, was passed.

REDEVELOPMENT OF BOSTON & ALBANY RAILROAD YARD.

Coun. FOLEY offered the following:
Under section 17F of the City Charter, the Boston City Council makes the following inquiry of his Honor the Mayor, such inquiry to be answered on August 4, 1952:

1. Report of the progress of the seven-man subcommittee of the Mayor's Committee on the Redevelopment of the Boston & Albany Railroad Yard since its appointment.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

INFORMATION ON ROSLINDALE OFF-STREET PARKING AREA.

Coun. FOLEY offered the following:
Under section 17F of the City Charter the Boston City Council makes the following inquiry of his Honor the Mayor, such inquiry to be answered on August 4, 1952:

1. The description by metes and bounds of the area of land to be developed as an off-street parking lot in Roslindale.
2. The title owner of each parcel comprising the area.

3. The chain of title of each parcel of land and buildings comprising the lot during the last 10 years.
 4. The assessed valuation of all parcels of land and buildings comprising the lot during each of the last 10 years.
 5. The record of occupancy of all land and buildings on the area to be developed with particularity over the past two years.
- Passed under suspension of the rules.

INFORMATION ON VOTING MACHINES.

Coun. FOLEY offered the following:
Under section 17F of the City Charter, the Boston City Council makes the following inquiry of his Honor the Mayor, to be answered on August 4, 1952:

1. The number and type or types of voting machines now in use by the City of Boston.
 2. The number and type or types of new voting machines which the Election Commission has recently purchased.
 3. The cost per unit and over-all of the presently owned machines and the machines which have been recently purchased.
 4. Whether any cost analysis is available of the cost of elections in Boston by paper ballot as against voting machines.
 5. Whether, after due allowance for inflation, it can be conclusively shown by sound cost analysis that the introduction of voting machines has yielded, in fact, to Boston a substantial saving in the cost of holding elections.
 6. Whether the physical appearance of the voting machine ballot will be uniform on all voting machines in use after the new machines are put into use.
- Passed under suspension of the rules.

Adjourned at 4.55 P.M., on motion of Councillor White, to meet on Monday, August 4, 1952, 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 4, 1952.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President PIEMONTE in the chair. Absent, Councillor Foley.

The Right Rev. William J. Daly, of St. Columbkille's Roman Catholic Church, Brighton, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY RIGHT REV. WILLIAM J. DALY.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

Direct O Lord, we beseech Thee, all our actions, and carry them on by Thy gracious assistance that every good work of ours may begin always with Thee and by Thee happily ended.

Our Father Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

JURORS DRAWN.

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

Thirty-five traverse jurors, Superior Criminal Court, to appear September 8, 1952:

Joseph Bagnera, Ward 1; Emilio DiCesare, Ward 1; Frank B. Gallo, Ward 1; Anthony J. LoPilato, Ward 1; Dorothy Meninno, Ward 1; Michael Coppola, Ward 3; Louis C. Trebino, Ward 3; George A. Grant, Ward 4; Charles W. Murphy, Ward 4; John H. Novak, Ward 4; Philip B. McCutcheon, Ward 5; James V. Heffernan, Ward 6; Peter G. McDermott, Ward 6; Michael F. Cadegan, Ward 7; John E. Downey, Jr., Ward 7; James F. McSweeney, Ward 7; Charles J. Nelson, Ward 7; William Dugan, Ward 8; Charles F. Boudreau, Ward 9; Robert B. Hawkins, Ward 9; Reginald F. Carpenter, Ward 10; Michael F. Duggan, Ward 11; John W. Nixon, Ward 11; James H. Conlon, Ward 13; Mary Conlon, Ward 13; Ruth Meister, Ward 14; Leopold Schiffer, Ward 14; Gertrude A. Baxter, Ward 17; George V. West, Ward 17; Allan J. V. Lagh, Ward 18; Raymond F. Monahan, Ward 18; Hans E. Ram-mussen, Ward 18; George T. Sweeney, Jr., Ward 18; Muriel G. Valencia, Ward 18; Olive Krueger, Ward 21.

Seventy-seven traverse jurors, Superior Civil Court, to appear September 8, 1952:

James E. Bolwell, Ward 1; Francis E. Brennan, Ward 1; Ettore C. Candelieri, Ward 1; Robert J. Capozzoli, Ward 1; William A. Hartnett, Ward 1; Pauline A. O'Neil, Ward 1; Michael Ottone, Ward 1; Earle R. Rawlings, Ward 1; Walter Stoney, Ward 1; John W. Stott, Ward 1; Walter S. Fields, Ward 2; David E. Kelly, Ward 2; Ralph P. Lyman, Ward 2; Eleanor F. White, Ward 2; Louis A. Gordon, Ward 3; Mary E. Metcalf, Ward 3; Ernest A. Ottobre, Ward 3; Alma F. Rizzo, Ward 3; William J. Bolger, Ward 4; Horace Dilday, Ward 4; Elias Leo A. Mabardy, Ward 4; Owen P. McColgan, Ward 4; Gladys M. Perdue, Ward 4; Charles S. Grey, Ward 5; Walter R. Hennessey, Ward 5; Nicholas S. Kamelakis, Ward 5; Nils O. Lundstrom, Ward

5; John J. O'Leary, Ward 5; Lewis O. Palmer, Ward 5; John P. Syrios, Ward 5; Fritz B. Burns, Ward 6; Joseph Donato, Ward 6; Joseph S. Savicke, Ward 6; Mary R. Croatti, Ward 7; John A. Donahue, Jr., Ward 7; Michael F. Garvey, Ward 7; Francis J. McLaughlin, Ward 8; John Rawcliffe, Ward 8; Luka H. Denisuk, Ward 9; Charles F. Hart, Ward 9; William Jones, Ward 9; Joseph F. Magee, Ward 9; Robert Schroeder, Ward 9; Marion Wade, Ward 9; Edward A. Czerwinsky, Ward 10; Joseph Gosse, Ward 11; Joseph B. Moriarty, Ward 11; Joseph Palermo, Ward 11; George Epstein, Ward 12; Annabelle Z. Harris, Ward 12; Henry C. Lounds, Ward 12; Morris Missel, Ward 12; Alfred Rotman, Ward 12; Simon Welle, Ward 12; Harold C. Wheaton, Ward 12; Arnold Gould, Ward 13; Julius Bornstein, Ward 14; Aaron H. Goldberg, Ward 14; Henry Goldstein, Ward 14; Helen Hetscovitz, Ward 14; Alfred M. Heyman, Ward 14; Genevieve E. Savage, Ward 15; Ernest M. Adler, Ward 16; Daniel G. Healy, Ward 16; John J. O'Connor, Ward 16; Francis E. Willard, Ward 17; Grace Gonda, Ward 18; Lester Stoddard, Ward 19; Wallace A. Copeland, Ward 20; Frank E. Gundal, Ward 20; Daniel J. Savage, Ward 20; Walter F. Tracy, Ward 20; Gerald F. Coffey, Ward 21; David R. Crawford, Ward 21; Paul Gillespie, Ward 22; William J. O'Meara, Ward 22; George H. Stevens, Ward 22.

RECESS.

On motion of Councillor Ward, the Council voted to take a recess at 2:33 P.M., subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled and were called to order by President PIEMONTE at 4:50 P.M.

APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR.

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

Weighter of Coal, for the term ending April 30, 1953; John S. Yeisley, 1 Kensington park, Roxbury.

Referred to the Committee on Confirmations.

DENTAL CLINIC IN ROSLINDALE MUNICIPAL BUILDING.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 4, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Health Commissioner relative to your order of June 23, 1952, requesting the establishment of a dental clinic in the Roslindale Municipal Building for the benefit of school children in the Roslindale and West Roxbury districts.

Respectfully,

J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Health Department, July 18, 1952.
Mr. Thomas J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

Your communication of June 24 pertaining to the establishment of a dental clinic in the Roslindale Municipal Building and City Council order, dated June 23, 1952, regarding the matter, has been received.

Following is a report received from the Director of Dental Services of this department, which is self-explanatory:

"City Council order of June 23, 1952, requesting establishment of a dental clinic in the Roslindale Municipal Building for the benefit of school children in the Roslindale and West Roxbury districts.

"May I say that I have made a survey of the Roslindale Municipal Building and find no available space to establish a dental clinic. There is an old school building adjacent to the Roslindale Municipal Building used by the

Fallon Post of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and there is a possibility that space may be found in that building for a dental clinic.

W. H. GRIFFIN, D.M.D."

May I also refer you to my communication of July 17 addressed to his Honor the Mayor of Boston, pertaining to the order of the City Council that the Health Commissioner study the possibility of installing medical and dental clinics in the various municipal buildings throughout the City of Boston.

Yours respectfully,

JOHN H. CAULEY, M.D.,
Health Commissioner.

Placed on file.

MEDICAL AND DENTAL CLINICS IN MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS.

The following was received:

City of Boston.

Office of the Mayor, August 4, 1952.

To the City Council,
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Health Commissioner relative to your order of June 30, 1952, requesting the studying of the possibility of installing medical and dental clinics in the various municipal buildings throughout the City of Boston.

Respectfully,

J. B. Hynes, Mayor.

City of Boston,

Health Department, July 17, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

This will acknowledge your communication of July 2, 1952, pertaining to an order of the City Council "that the Health Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to study the possibility of installing medical and dental clinics in the various municipal buildings throughout the City of Boston."

There is enclosed a list of the various well-baby conferences which are conducted in the City of Boston with the location of each conference. There is also enclosed a list of each of the dental clinics conducted by the Boston Health Department, together with the location of each of the dental clinics.

There are located within the City of Boston the following George R. White Fund Health Units:

EAST BOSTON. East Boston Health Unit, 79 Paris street (D, W-B, Tbc.).

SOUTH BOSTON. South Boston Health Unit, 133 Dorchester street (D, W-B, Tbc.).

CHARLESTOWN. Charlestown Health Unit, 73 High street (D, W-B, Tbc.).

BOSTON:
South End Health Unit, 57 East Concord street (D, W-B, Tbc.).
North End Health Unit, 41 North Margin street (D, W-B, Tbc.).
West End Health Unit, 25 Blossom street (D, W-B, Tbc.).

HYDE PARK. Hyde Park Health Unit, 26 Central avenue (D, W-B, Tbc.).

DORCHESTER. Harvard Street Health Unit, Harvard street and Blue Hill avenue (D, W-B, Tbc.).

ROXBURY:
Whittier Street Health Unit, 20 Whittier street (D, W-B, Tbc.).
Savin Street Health Unit, 82 Savin street (D, W-B, Tbc.).

In addition to these health units there are located the following substations operated by the Boston Health Department as well-baby conferences:

ROXBURY. Children's Hospital, 500 Longwood avenue (W-B).

DORCHESTER. American Legion Building, 1570 Dorchester avenue, at Gibson street (W-B, Tbc.).

The following municipal buildings are utilized at the present time by the Health Department for various activities:

BOSTON. Tyler Street Municipal Building, 122 Tyler street (W-B).

ROSLINDALE. Roslindale Municipal Building, 6 Cummins Highway (W-B).

JAMAICA PLAIN. Curtis Hall, 20 South street (W-B, D).

The following buildings are also utilized at the present time by the Health Department for various activities:

BRIGHTON. Court House, 52 Academy Hill road (D, W-B, Tbc.).

ALLSTON. Washington Allston School, Cambridge street (W-B).

DORCHESTER:

Codman Square Library, 1 Norfolk street (D, W-B, Tbc.).

170 Hancock street (W-B).

(CODE: W-B--Well-Baby Conference; D--Dental; Tbc.--Tuberculosis.)

It will be noted that every section of the city, with the exception of West Roxbury, has either a George R. White Health Unit building or other facility for use by the Boston Health Department.

It has been the policy for a period of years to establish dental clinics and well-baby conferences in those congested areas of the city where the economic level is lowest and where the need for the clinics is the greatest.

It would be advantageous at the present time no doubt to establish a dental clinic in the Roslindale area. The advisability of establishing a well-baby conference and a dental clinic in the West Roxbury area would be questionable.

Whereas, it would be inadvisable to deny the establishment of clinics because of the reasonable cost of conducting such clinics, the matter of the economics of establishing and maintaining well-baby conferences in an additional number of public buildings should be weighed carefully prior to the determination to establish such clinics. There are not adequate facilities in municipal buildings throughout the city to establish such clinics and to allot sufficient space for their proper functioning.

At present there is considerable difficulty and even at times it is impossible to obtain services of physicians to function at the well-baby conferences at the fees which are paid for the attendance of these physicians. At this time the fee of \$7 per clinic is paid, which is not adequate compensation for professional men to leave their offices to carry out the duties of these clinics.

It has been impossible to obtain an adequate number of dentists to staff our presently established stations at the salary which we are presently paying them; full-time dentists receiving \$70.21 per week and part-time dentists receiving \$40.86 per week.

Likewise there is an acute shortage of nurses, and to operate satisfactorily additional clinics more nurses would be necessary.

The minimum cost of setting up an additional clinic and well-baby conference at a new location, aside from the cost of rental of buildings, or construction of a building or the loan of space from other departments of the city, would include such items as additional equipment, dental supplies, medical equipment and supplies, X-ray machines and equipment, the employment of additional doctors, dentists, dental hygienists or dental assistants, a clerical force to operate the clerical aspects of the work, and such maintenance as heat, light and telephone service. The total cost of equipping a station would be in the vicinity of \$10,000. The total cost for doctors, dentists, nurses, and clerical personnel would be under present costs approximately \$16,000, and under the new plan of reclassification salaries should be nearer to \$20,000.

It would be my recommendation that a very careful study should be made of establishing any number of new units at the present time. It probably is desirable at the present time to find a location in the Dorchester-Fields Corner area for establishing a well-baby conference and dental clinic or possibly a George R. White Fund Unit for activities similar to

those conducted at the present time, and possibly to establish a dental clinic in the Roslindale area.

The fulfillment of these recommendations would depend entirely upon adequate preparations being made to cover the cost of establishing and maintaining such clinics.

For your information I am enclosing herewith a City of Boston Planning Board copy of the City of Boston with the locations of our presently established clinics outlined in red crayon, other available buildings are outlined in blue.

Respectfully,
JOHN H. CAULEY, M.D.,
Health Commissioner.

Placed on file.

REST HOMES IN CITY.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 4, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the City of Boston Health Commissioner relative to your order of July 17, 1952, concerning the request that an immediate investigation be made of all rest homes in the city and that a detailed public report be delivered to your Honorable Body before August 4, 1952.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Health Department, July 31, 1952.
Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

Under date of July 17, 1952, the following order was passed by the City Council of the City of Boston:

"Ordered, That the Building Commissioner and Health Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to immediately investigate all rest homes in the City of Boston and to submit a detailed public report concerning same before August 4, 1952."

The following day there was received from your office a communication requesting that this order be considered and reported upon.

An explanation of the authority controlling the operation of nursing homes, convalescent homes and homes for the aged is desirable, in order that the situation may be better understood. Prior to 1948 the Department of Public Welfare licensed these types of homes in the City of Boston.

Under sections 71 and 72 of chapter 111 of the General Laws, the responsibility for the licensing of hospitals, sanatoria, convalescent homes, nursing homes and homes for the aged rests with the State Department of Public Health (and hereafter in this communication when the word "department" is used the reference will mean the State Department of Public Health); and said section 71 states that "in the case of an original application and an application for the renewal of a license, the local board of health shall first certify to the department, that from its inspection and examination of said hospital, sanatorium, convalescent or nursing home or boarding home for the aged, it is suitable for the purpose." "A convalescent or nursing home is defined as any institution, however named, whether conducted for charity or profit, which is advertised, announced or maintained for the express or implied purpose of nursing or convalescent care." "A boarding home for the aged is defined as any institution, however named, which is advertised, announced or maintained for the express or implied purpose of providing care incident to old age to three or more persons over sixty years of age who are not acutely ill or in need of medical or nursing care." "Nursing institutions licensed by the department of mental health for mental cases shall not be licensed or inspected by the department of public health." "Convalescent or nursing homes conducted in ac-

cordance with the practice and principle of the body known as the Church of Christ Scientist, shall be inspected by the department for regulations pertaining to sanitation."

Section 72, chapter 111, decrees that "The Department of Public Health of the Commonwealth shall classify all hospitals and sanatoria, and shall promulgate rules for the conduct of the same. The department shall further classify convalescent and nursing homes and boarding homes for the aged, and shall after a public hearing promulgate rules and regulations for the conduct of the same."

There is forwarded a copy of the rules and regulations pertaining to the operation of convalescent and nursing homes and homes for the aged within the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and these rules and regulations are applicable to such institutions conducted within the City of Boston. The department or its agents and the board of health or its agents of the city or town wherein any portion of such hospital, sanatorium, convalescent home or nursing home or boarding home for the aged is located may visit and inspect such institution at any time.

There are in operation in the City of Boston at the present time 109 such institutions, of which 55 are nursing or convalescent homes and the balance, or 54, are homes for the aged, with a capacity of 3,180 individuals.

An intimate and cooperative program between the City of Boston Health Department and the State Department of Public Health, Division of Homes and Hospitals, exists where an exchange of information regularly prevails.

During the last four or more years a system of inspection of convalescent homes, nursing homes and homes for the aged has been established in the Boston Health Department whereby a specific procedure is followed for processing of applications for an original license or renewal or a license for such institutions. The procedure is as follows: the application for a license having been received at the State Department of Public Health, such notification for licensing is forwarded to the Boston Health Department, where the program of the Boston Health Department is initiated. The notification of receipt of application is forwarded to the Building Department in order that it may be determined as to whether or not such a business may be conducted at the location in conformity with the zoning restrictions within the city. Following the receipt of the approval in so far as zoning is concerned, the following municipal departments are requested to make inspections and to advise the Health Department as to whether or not conditions at the location are satisfactory in so far as their departments are concerned: (1) the Fire Department, including the Division of Electrical Inspection; and (2) the Building Department. Pending the reply from these municipal departments, the following divisions of the Health Department make inspections and submit reports pertaining to the institution applying for licensing: (1) Division of Housing and Sanitation; (2) Food Division; (3) Nursing Division, and (4) the Medical Division. As part of the program of the inspection of the Nursing Division, the nutritionist of the Boston Health Department cooperates with the Nursing Division.

It is required that all institutions of this type shall obtain a certificate of approval from the Department of Public Safety of the Commonwealth pertaining to public safety in such institutions. It is currently the practice of the Boston Health Department to notify the Department of Public Safety of the Commonwealth when the departments concerned with public safety of the municipality have approved the location in order that the Department of Public Safety may be advised of the status of these institutions and be informed where certain qualifications are placed upon the approval of these institutions by the municipal departments.

I am advised that the Building Commissioner of the City of Boston has submitted to you a communication pertaining to procedures

and regulations of the Building Department of the City of Boston in so far as institutions of the type under consideration are concerned.

It is the practice of the Health Department of Boston to periodically inspect these institutions by various representatives of the various divisions concerned with the operation of these homes, at times other than at the time the original application for the license is received or at the time of the renewal of such a license. During the last six months every institution of this type in the City of Boston has been inspected at least once and in many instances several times, and without exception by three or more inspectors from different divisions of the Boston Health Department.

An understanding of the problem of the operation of nursing and convalescent homes and homes for the aged is essential in order to evaluate the work, the necessity and the demand for institutions of this type.

The City of Boston operates an infirmary and hospital at Long Island, Boston Harbor. I am reliably informed that vacancies at this institution do not exist or exist rarely, and that should the institution be enlarged to accommodate 1,500 additional individuals, that these added facilities would be filled very promptly; that if such was constructed at the present time the cost would approximate \$15,000,000, and that the problem of staffing such an institution by competent personnel would be difficult and costly; that presently hospital attendants at institutions of this type are receiving \$40-weekly salary, nurses receiving a more substantial salary, and employees such as cooks receive in the vicinity of \$60 weekly, the employees receiving full maintenance so far as board and meals are concerned in addition.

The solution of the care of the increasing number of aged in the City of Boston probably depends upon the city, the state, or the federal government—either individually or collectively—constructing one or more suitable institutions for their care.

There are at the present time in the City of Boston more than 2,000 people on public relief of various types receiving assistance who are in institutions receiving care. A detailed survey made of age distribution of individuals in such types of institutions under study indicates that three-fourths of the people are 70 years of age and over and that of this group in the vicinity of two-thirds are on public relief. Three-fourths of these individuals are in private institutions conducted for profit. It is important to note that the fees paid by public welfare agencies start at \$20 per person per week, and except in rare and very infrequent cases do not exceed \$35 per week.

Repeated investigations by inspectors and the nutritionist of the Boston Health Department indicate that there are, generally speaking, satisfactory over-all facilities in these institutions for the care of individuals who are under the charge of the management of these homes. No attempt is made to prove that every phase of all services in all the homes is entirely satisfactory, but there has not come to the attention of the Health Department any complaint as to gross lack of care, any major infraction of regulations of the State Department of Health, any indications of maltreatment of patients, or any major infraction of recommended procedures of the Health Department in respect to sanitation or food storage or preparation in homes of this type.

Every effort is made to correct any faulty conditions when they are discovered, and an over-all effort is made to raise the standard of care furnished to individuals in these homes. It is believed that much has been accomplished in this regard in recent months.

The quality of care which is furnished to individuals is governed in many respects by the economics in operating homes furnishing such care.

Recently in discussing with a consultant, acting as an advisor to a charitable organization constructing a convalescent home, the consultant advised me that the operators of

the home were required to revise their procedures of construction and their plans for management of the home because of the great cost of operation of such a home on the completion of the construction.

Certainly the demand for such institutions exists, and the quality of care furnished will depend to a large extent upon the fees paid for such care.

In conclusion it should be remembered that Boston is a city where people in the older age group are increasing in numbers each year because of the increased expectancy of life. It is anticipated that more and more people in the older age group will require institutional care. All of which emphasizes the fact that more and greater attention should be devoted to geriatrics, to research and to clinical study in the diseases and processes of the aged.

Respectfully,
JOHN H. CAULEY, M.D.,
Health Commissioner.

On motion of Councillor Hailer the message was referred to the Committee on Hospitals.

DEMONSTRATIONS OF SAILING PROGRAM.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 4, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Chairman of the City of Boston Park Department relative to your order of July 17, 1952, concerning the request that during the month of August, demonstrations be conducted by the Park Department sailing program in various sections of the city.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, July 23, 1952.
Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a memo from your office with attached enclosure, City Council order requesting that the sailing program be conducted in the Bayswater Section of East Boston, Pleasure Bay Section of South Boston, and Savin Hill Section of Dorchester, during the month of August.

For the last few years our sailing program that has been conducted on the Charles River has received much favorable comment. This year we assigned four of our boats from the Charles River to Jamaica Pond, where the program has become very popular. In assigning these boats to Jamaica Pond it left us short of regular equipment for the Charles River. The program which was started at Jamaica Pond was experimental and it has proved very satisfactory.

This department would not be in a position, this year, to start this program in the three other sections mentioned above. We have slightly over-extended our program and to try to now extend it to these other three areas would mean that we would not be able to control our program as we have not sufficient equipment.

If a program was to be placed on these other areas it would mean that long and expensive floats would, of necessity, have to be constructed because all of these areas are tidal-water basins and the program could not be conducted at all tides unless we had these long wharves which would cost considerable money.

Furthermore, in order to extend this program we would need many more good boats and we would be required to obtain and train more instructors. I believe in spreading our program out to one new location this year we have done about all that can be done.

These other locations are worthy of our very serious consideration, and if it possibly can

be done next year we will arrange to do it, but it must be realized that this will mean an outlay of a considerable amount of money.

Very truly yours,

FRANK R. KELLEY, Chairman.

Referred to the Committee on Public Services and Recreation.

BOARDING AND CONVALESCENT HOMES.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, August 4, 1952.

To the City Council,
Gentlemen:

In accordance with your order of July 17, 1952, I transmit herewith report of the Building Commissioner concerning Boarding and Convalescent Homes in the City of Boston.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,

Building Department, August 1, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

Pursuant to the order of the Boston City Council dated July 17, 1952, I report to you as follows:

Boarding and Convalescent Homes in the City of Boston have been subjected to periodic inspections by this department in cooperation with the Health Department, Fire Department, and the State Department of Public Safety.

As your Honor is aware, far too many of these homes are now located in buildings which never were designed for that purpose. It is my belief, therefore, that the best safeguards possible should be required in such cases. To this end under the provisions of chapter 479, Acts of 1938, as amended, section 116 (g), I promulgated regulations which were designed to improve the safety conditions in these homes and on December 6, 1951, copies of the regulations were sent to the operators of all Boarding, Nursing Homes, and Homes for the Aged. A copy of the regulations is attached. Because of the stringency of the requirements and the shortage of materials, particularly for the sprinkler systems, it was deemed advisable to grant until December 31, 1952, for compliance with the orders. Since all of the homes in the city had been subjected in previous years to frequent examinations, there were no serious violations of law.

To integrate the requirements as far as possible and to spare the operators from repeated visits, a group of inspectors from the Construction, Egress and Sprinkler Divisions of this department examined every home in the city. As formerly, we had also the full cooperation of the Health and Public Safety Departments. Since January of this year there has been an average of three visits to each home and the requirements as developed by these inspections were presented to the operators in a single order.

At the present time we have 109 active homes in the city; 35 have complied substantially with the requirements; the balance are progressing. It has been made plain to the operators of these homes that unless the work shall have been completed by the end of this year, approval by this department will be withheld. An adverse report will result in revocation or suspension of the license.

In the main, the homes have cooperated fully with this office. Since the beginning of the year, however, twelve such homes have terminated their occupancy and have surrendered their licenses. It is plain to assume that these operators are either unwilling or unable to meet the increased standards. There are at the present time four applications for the conversion of existing buildings into homes; these will not be permitted to operate

until substantially all of the requirements of chapter 479 are satisfied.

Homes in operation; requirements completed or progressing.....	109
Applications on file, work progressing but homes not in operation.....	4
Homes closed since January 1, 1952.....	12
	125

Very truly yours,

HARRY J. KEEFE,
Building Commissioner.

BUILDING DEPARTMENT BULLETIN.

Subject: Homes for Aged, Convalescent Homes, and Similar Buildings.

1. Chapter 479, Part 6, Special Requirements for Group D. Occupancy: Hospital and Detention Buildings. Section 601. Group D Occupancy: Group D shall include such occupancies as . . . Division 2. Hospitals, sanatoriums, orphanages, nurseries, homes for the aged and similar buildings, with sleeping accommodations for 10 or more persons.

2. Chapter 479, Part 1, Section 107 (e) states "When occupancy of a pre-code building, or portions thereof separated from the remainder as required in Part 13, is so changed that the hazard is increased, the Commissioner may require that said pre-code building or said portions thereof be made to conform with the provisions of this code, which will specifically eliminate said increased hazard."

3. Any building or buildings whether pre-code or post-code to be used for Group D Occupancy as described in Chapter 479, Part 6, shall conform to all of the requirements for Group D Occupancy; or shall be made to conform before the occupancy will be allowed unless such requirements are specifically waived, in pre-code buildings only, by the Commissioner.

HARRY J. KEEFE,
Building Commissioner.

BUILDING DEPARTMENT BULLETIN.

Subject: Existing Convalescent Homes, Homes for the Aged, Boarding Homes and Similar Buildings, Other Than Type I and Type II.

1. Under the provisions of Building Department Bulletin dated December 29, 1950, future convalescent homes, homes for the aged, etc., shall not be permitted to occupy any building until the requirements of the Boston Building Code, Part 6, have been met.

2. Existing convalescent homes, homes for the aged, etc., shall be re-examined to determine their conformity with the following outlined policy.

3. All buildings that do not conform to these requirements shall be made to conform, where practicable, as soon as possible, to the policy outlined.

4. It shall be the policy of the Building Department to insist upon as high a degree of protection as may reasonably be obtained in such institutions. To this end, the following shall be required:

(a) Complete sprinkler protection for the entire building, directly connected to the water line in the street with a water line of adequate size, shall be required.

(b) Emergency lights of an accepted type shall be provided and installed in all stairhalls and elsewhere where designated.

(c) All stairhalls shall be enclosed with one-hour enclosure and self-closing fire doors at each floor.

(d) All "homes" with 25 or more "patients" shall have a fire alarm box directly connected to the local fire station. Prior approval from the Fire Department must be secured.

(e) Nothing in this bulletin shall be regarded as changing in any manner the Boston Building Code (Chapter 479, Acts of

1938 as amended) or the State Department of Public Safety Regulations (Chapter 143 General Laws).

HARRY J. KEEFE,
Building Commissioner.

January 26, 1951.

Placed on file.

SURVEY OF MOZART SCHOOLYARD.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, July 17, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Superintendent of Construction, Department of School Buildings, relative to your order of June 30, 1952, requesting that a survey be made of the schoolyard surrounding the Mozart School, Roslindale, with a view to making available a larger recreation area for the children of that section.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,

Department of School Buildings,
July 16, 1952.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Mr. Shannon:

Referring to your form letter of July 2, 1952, subject:

"City Council order of June 30, 1952, requesting that a survey be made of the schoolyard surrounding the Mozart School, Roslindale, with a view to making available a larger recreation area for the children of that section."

I am pleased to report as follows:

Attached herewith is a blueprint which shows the outline of the school property, presumably the subject of the order referred to in your letter. You will note the print shows that there are only twelve hundred and fifty (1,250) square feet of the schoolyard which are not occupied by the building, walks and asphalt paved play area. A large portion of this area is grass (or earth), banks and terraces, and very little of it is at level grade suitable for paving. To pave such would require construction of retaining walls practically around the entire lot.

As the School Committee of the City of Boston is the authority who would authorize any change in the yard to further adapt it for recreational purposes, I suggest that the Council refer future inquiries to the School Committee.

Very truly yours,

JAMES H. MOONEY,
Superintendent of Construction.

Placed on file.

MEDICAL TREATMENT OF OLD AGE ASSISTANCE RECIPIENTS AT CITY HOSPITAL.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, August 4, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Superintendent of the Boston City Hospital relative to your order of June 23, 1952, requesting that the Public Welfare Department be notified of the discharge of all persons receiving medical treatment at the hospital who are recipients of Old Age Assistance.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,

Hospital Department, July 18, 1952.

Mr. Thomas G. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Mr. Shannon:

In reply to City Council order of June 23, 1952, requesting that the Public Welfare De-

partment be notified of the discharge of all persons receiving medical treatment at the hospital who are recipients of Old Age Assistance, the trustees wish me to advise you that following is the procedure on Old Age cases admitted to the hospital.

All patients 65 years of age and over are listed by Miss Redmond's clerk, Social Service Admitting Department, and the lists are forwarded daily to the district offices of the Old Age Assistance Department, in order that the Old Age Assistance Department will know of the admission of their clients. This procedure has been in effect for several years. Bills for Old Age Assistance patients are rendered from the Billing Department to the district offices after the patient has been discharged. In addition, a list in triplicate is sent each month containing the names of all persons who received in-patient care during the previous month. This list gives patient's name, hospital number, date of admission, date of discharge or death, number of days' care and cost of care at the rate of \$12 per day.

Sincerely yours,

J. W. MANARY, M.D.,
Superintendent.

Placed on file.

RESURFACING SUNNYSIDE AVENUE, HYDE PARK.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, August 4, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of July 14, 1952, requesting the resurfacing of Sunnyside avenue, Hyde Park, with smooth pavement.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,

Public Works Department,
July 17, 1952.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

This is in reference to the following order that was passed in the City Council under date of July 14:

"Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to resurface with smooth pavement Sunnyside avenue, Hyde Park."

Sunnyside avenue is a private way, and it will be necessary for the Board of Street Commissioners to accept it as a public highway, and order its construction, before this department can take any steps to provide for said construction. I suggest, therefore, that you refer this matter to the Board of Street Commissioners for consideration.

Very truly yours,

GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

STREET IMPROVEMENTS ON HARMONY STREET, EAST BOSTON.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, August 4, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Commissioner relative to your order of July 14, 1952, requesting the resurfacing of Harmony street, in the East Boston section, with smooth pavement, and to install granolithic sidewalks.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
July 17, 1952.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

This is in reference to the following order that was passed in the City Council under date of July 14:

"Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to resurface Harmony street, in the East Boston section, with smooth pavement; and be it further

"Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install granolithic sidewalks on Harmony street."

Harmony street is a private way, and it will be necessary for the Board of Street Commissioners to accept it as a public highway, and order its construction, before this department can take any steps to provide for said construction. I suggest, therefore, that you refer this matter to the Board of Street Commissioners for consideration.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

TRAFFIC LIGHT AT CENTRE, ELMDALE, AND ADAMS STREETS, DORCHESTER.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 4, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of July 14, 1952, requesting the installation of a traffic signal light, with push buttons, at the intersection of Centre, Elmdale, and Adams streets, Dorchester.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
July 22, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

With reference to the City Council order of July 14, 1952, requesting the installation of a traffic signal light at the intersection of Adams, Centre, and Elmdale streets, Dorchester, I wish to report that because of the conditions in this area, where there is a housing project and a school nearby, this would be a suitable location for the installation of a pedestrian-actuated signal.

Accordingly, we are adding this to our list of proposed signal installations, from which list a selection will be made when the next appropriation becomes available for traffic lights.

No appropriation has been made during 1952 so far, and our 1951 appropriation is completely encumbered.

Respectfully yours,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

"CAUTION-CHILDREN" SIGNS ON PROSPECT AND SYCAMORE STREETS, ROSLINDALE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 4, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of July 14, 1952, requesting the installation

of "Caution-Children" signs on Prospect and Sycamore streets in Roslindale.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
July 17, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

With reference to the Council order dated July 14, 1952, I wish to report that orders will be issued to erect caution signs on Prospect and Sycamore streets in Roslindale, as requested in this order.

Respectfully submitted,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

APPROPRIATION OF \$165,000 FOR PARK DEPARTMENT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 30, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I submit herewith an order for the transfer of \$165,000 from the special account, "Sales of City Property," to the Park Department.

During the recent budget hearings it was decided that the money received from the purchase of the park land at Franklin Field by the Housing Authority would be transferred to the Park Department for the purpose of providing park improvements not otherwise included in the budget.

The passage of the accompanying order will permit the Park Commission to make improvements of a permanent nature.

I most respectfully request adoption of the order by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, July 29, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

I have been informed today by the Boston Housing Authority that they have deposited with the City Collector a check in the amount of \$165,000, in payment for land in the Franklin Park area under the custody and control of this department and turned over to the Housing Authority for the construction of a new development in the Franklin Park area.

Mr. Gildea, the City Collector, has been instructed to hold this check pending advice as to the proper account to which it should be credited.

It is my understanding that sometime back you had an agreement with the City Council that this money would be set aside in a special account to be spent by this department for the development of new plant, new playgrounds, and new play spaces not otherwise provided for in the budget.

Accordingly, I am calling this matter to your attention and would respectfully request that, if possible, you arrange for the setting up of this fund under a special appropriation to be expended by the Board of Park Commissioners for the purposes mentioned herein.

Respectfully yours,
FRANK R. KELLEY, Chairman.

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 63 of chapter 44 of the General Laws, the sum of \$165,000 be, and the same hereby is, appropriated from the special account, "Sales of City Property," to be expended under the direction of the Park Commission, for acquiring land for public parks or playgrounds as well as the construction of necessary plant facilities.

Referred to Committee on Appropriations and Finance.

EXEMPTION OF CERTAIN CONTRACTS
FROM REQUIREMENTS OF ADVERTISING.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 17, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I submit herewith an order providing for acceptance of chapter 376 of the Acts of 1952. This legislation increases the minimum amount of expenditure above which advertising for bids in the City Record and the execution of written contracts is required from \$1,000 to \$2,500. This change is in conformity with a recommendation contained in the survey report entitled "A Supply System for the City of Boston and the County of Suffolk," submitted by Mr. Russell Forbes to the Finance Commission. As pointed out in this report, the material increase which has occurred in commodity prices and the cost of services in recent years alone justifies an upward change in the minimum amount of \$1,000, which has been in effect since the enactment of our 1909 charter. The minimum figure of \$2,500 provided under chapter 376 is clearly realistic as an adjustment in view of the economic changes which have occurred in the past four decades. It would appear appropriate also to point out that under the provisions of section 8A of chapter 29 of the General Laws state departments are not required to enter into contracts unless the amount involved in any particular expenditure is in excess of \$5,000.

It is my intention to require city and county departments to secure invitation proposals for all expenditures between \$1,000 and \$2,500 and to base awards on the lowest responsible bid received. In this manner the city will not lose the advantage of competition on purchases below \$2,500. While retaining this desirable element in our purchasing procedure, departments will be relieved of the vast amount of clerical effort and legal research now required in the processing of the large number of contracts made necessary by the \$1,000 limit. I consider, therefore, the provisions of chapter 376 of the Acts of 1952 as being beneficial to the city and respectfully recommend adoption of the accompanying order by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Ordered, That chapter 376 of the Acts of 1952, entitled "An Act Exempting Certain Contracts Entered Into on Behalf of the City of Boston and the County of Suffolk from the Requirements of Certain Provisions of Law," be, and hereby is, accepted.

Referred to Committee on Ordinances.

APPROPRIATION OF \$32,000 FOR PUBLIC
WORKS DEPARTMENT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, July 17, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of the accompanying communication from the Commissioner of Public Works in which he requests that an appropriation of \$32,000 be made available from the special fund, "Sales of City Property," for the purpose of establishing a public works yard in the Forest Hills area.

The present public works yard serving this area is located at Child street, Jamaica Plain. This yard is to be sold to the Boston Housing Authority, which will construct a housing project on that site. The Housing Authority has tentatively agreed to purchase the Child Street yard for \$32,000.

In order that the housing project may go forward promptly, and in order that the Public Works Department may properly function in the Jamaica Plain-Forest Hills area, I most

respectfully request that your Honorable Body give prompt approval to the attached order for the appropriation requested by the Public Works Commissioner.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
July 11, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Dear Mr. Mayor:

For many years this department has been occupying an area of land located on Child street, Jamaica Plain, at the intersection of South street, as a district yard, for the use of Water, Sewer, Sanitary, and Highway Divisions. This area, containing 43,024 square feet, contains many dilapidated and antiquated buildings that very definitely are not an asset to the neighborhood, with particular reference to St. Thomas' Church, which is located on the opposite side of South street.

On many occasions in the past we have thought of abandoning this location as a site for a district yard, but we have been precluded from taking any definite steps to provide for a new yard due to the substantial cost involved, and also due to the fact that there are very few locations in the West Roxbury or Jamaica Plain areas that are zoned for use as a district yard.

Last year the Boston Housing Authority expressed a desire to purchase the above-referenced yard area for use as a site for a housing project. I was receptive to such a proposal, but could not act favorably until we had acquired a suitable site at which a new district yard could be located. We surveyed the entire Jamaica Plain-West Roxbury district in search of suitable quarters, and I feel that one of the best sites, from many points of view, is the one located on Forest Hills street, at the Arborway. This site, containing approximately 55,000 square feet, is owned by the Metropolitan Transit Authority and can be purchased for \$7,500. This price, in my opinion, is very reasonable, because, as stated, the area is ideally located and is properly zoned for utilization as a district yard.

Therefore, I feel that it is in the best interests of the city to acquire this area and dispose of the present Child Street yard by selling it to the Boston Housing Authority, for use as a site for a housing project. The utilization of the present Child Street yard by the Housing Authority will have a twofold benefit, in creating additional housing facilities and removing an unsightly development from the district. The Boston Housing Authority entered into a contract last year for the construction of a housing project on South street, across from our district yard, between Jamaica street and St. Rose street. This project is already under construction and the contract provides, in substance, that the contractor shall also construct a project on the site of our district yard, if the area is obtained by the Boston Housing Authority before August 1 of this year.

Before the necessary approvals are obtained from the City Council and your Honor, in connection with the transfer of title of the Child Street yard to the Boston Housing Authority, I feel that a sufficient appropriation should be made available to this department to purchase the above-referenced area of land from the MTA for \$7,500, and also to provide the department with sufficient money to construct buildings thereon, for use as district offices and shops. It was my original intention to provide for the construction of a combined office building, stockroom, etc., similar to the one that the department occupies on Western avenue in Brighton. However, it would cost approximately \$85,000 to construct such a building and an additional \$30,000 to provide for the purchase of land, construction of platforms, grading, etc., thereby making a total cost of \$115,000. I feel that this sum

is too much for the city to spend at this time, and I am hopeful that we can construct an office building and other buildings for shops, storage, etc., for approximately \$24,000, with the understanding that part of the work involved in the construction of the buildings will be done by contract and part by our own city employees. I have in mind awarding a contract for the necessary excavation work and the construction of the concrete foundation for the building, and having the remainder of the work done by our own employees.

I have come to a tentative agreement with the Housing Authority for the purchase of the Child Street yard for \$32,000. The latter-referenced amount should be made available to this department for the purchase of the new site on Forest Hills street, and the construction of the buildings, grading, etc.

I respectfully request, therefore, that an appropriation in the amount of \$32,000 be provided for use by this department for the purchase of the above-referenced land from the MTA, and for the construction of buildings on the site, for use as district headquarters for the Jamaica Plain district. The facilities to be provided for the latter-referenced amount will not be ideal, but I believe that they will be suitable for the time being, and, as stated, the only way that we can hope to get reasonably satisfactory facilities provided for the amount involved is to have part of the building construction work, grading, etc., done by our own department employees. Therefore, the appropriation should be made available to us with the understanding that \$7,500 will be spent for the purchase of the land and the remaining \$24,500 may be spent for contract work and purchase of necessary materials and supplies needed for the construction and furnishing of the buildings.

I am informed by City Auditor Fox that the above-referenced money is available in the account resulting from the sale of city property.

Respectfully yours,
 GEORGE G. HYLAND,
 Commissioner of Public Works.

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 63 of chapter 44 of the General Laws, the sum of thirty-two thousand dollars (\$32,000) be, and the same hereby is, appropriated from the special account, "Sales of City Property," to be expended under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works for Construction of Buildings, Acquisition of Land, and Original Equipment and Furnishings Thereof.

Referred to Committee on Appropriations and Finance.

TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATION TO SUFFOLK COUNTY COURT HOUSE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
 Office of the Mayor, August 4, 1952.
 To the City Council.
 Gentlemen:

There is forwarded herewith a communication from the Chairman of the Commission for the Care, Custody and Control of the Suffolk County Court House for an appropriation in the sum of \$7,900, to make necessary repairs to the Court House buildings, which, if done at the present time as explained in the accompanying communication, will save the city many times this amount.

Concurring in the judgment of the chairman of the commission, I am forwarding herewith an order transferring this sum from the Reserve Fund to the budget of the Suffolk County Court House and respectfully recommend prompt consideration and adoption of the order.

Respectfully,
 J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Commission for the Care, Custody and Control,
 of the Suffolk County Court House,
 July 18, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
 Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mayor Hynes:

The Court House Commission requests that a transfer be made from the Reserve Fund to the budget of the Suffolk County Court House Custodian Department in the sum of seven thousand and nine hundred (7,900) dollars for the following urgent purpose.

The contract for completion of waterproofing of all masonry work above the fourteenth-floor level on the Suffolk County Court House has been completed. This work entailed the cutting out and replacement of defective brickwork at all exposed corners, the installation of copper expansion joints at the same locations to forestall any further cracking of masonry, the sealing of all stone joints subject to the action of the elements, the removal and replacement of flashing and gutter linings that were defective, and the complete waterproofing of all exposed masonry surfaces with colorless waterproofing. This contract calls for a five-year guarantee against leakage of any kind.

At completion of the above, it was found that the quarry tile promenade decks at the fourteenth- and sixteenth-floor levels show definite signs of leakage due to disintegration of existing jointing, and the tiles, though now in sound condition, cannot withstand the extremes in temperature that they are subject to without causing them to develop edge cracks and spalling.

The above situation has been thoroughly investigated, and it has been determined that the resurfacing of these decks with an asphalt mastic wearing surface with appropriate poured asphalt expansion joints installed at walls and all other vertical surfaces can be accomplished to permanently seal the decks and make them waterproof. This work is to be done for the above-mentioned sum by the general contractor on the original contract.

Your immediate attention to the above request will be greatly appreciated.

Respectfully yours,
 COURT HOUSE COMMISSION,
 by THOMAS P. McDAVITT,
 Chairman.

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, \$7,900, to the appropriation for Suffolk County Court House, Contractual Services, \$7,900.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

NAMING OF SQUARES IN HONOR OF DECEASED VETERANS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
 Office of the Mayor, August 4, 1952.
 To the City Council.
 Gentlemen:

I submit herewith twenty-two orders for the naming of various intersections in the city in honor of deceased veterans of World War II and the Korean action.

The Committee to Memorialize Veterans, after due consideration, has recommended the naming of the various sites as set forth in the accompanying orders.

In a small way, this indicates our appreciation of their sacrifices, and it perpetuates in fitting fashion their memories as heroic citizens of Boston. Accordingly, I recommend that your Honorable Body give approval to the several orders.

Respectfully,
 J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Board of Street Commissioners,
July 18, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

At a meeting of the Committee to Memorialize Veterans, held this day, it was voted to designate the following intersections in honor of the following-named veterans:

Denby road and Cambridge streets, Allston district, George S. Gillooly Square. (Sergeant Gillooly, U. S. Air Corps, 490th Bombing Squadron, was killed in Burma in 1946.)

Adams and Minot streets, Dorchester district, John J. O'Leary Square. (Seaman 1/c O'Leary, U. S. Navy, lost his life aboard the U. S. S. "Hobson," at sea April 25, 1952.)

Alexander and Dudley streets, Dorchester district, Clarence M. Ronan Square. (Pfc. Ronan, U. S. Army, 16th Infantry, Third Division, was killed in action in Korea, September 19, 1950.)

Locust street and Dorchester avenue, Dorchester district, Willis N. Penney Square. (Navy Air Corps, was awarded the Air Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster and the Distinguished Flying Cross, and was killed in a plane crash, September 4, 1946.)

Allston and Washington streets, Brighton district, Frederick T. Kelley Square. (Sergt. Kelley, U. S. Army, 180th Field Artillery, was killed in Burma in 1944.)

Clifford street and Blue Hill avenue, Roxbury district, Paul E. Keaveny Square. (Gunner's Mate 3/c Keaveny, U. S. Navy, was killed in an explosion off Cape May, New Jersey, in 1944, while in the service of his country.)

Spring and Poplar streets, Boston Proper district, Michael T. DiBlasi Square. (Radioman 1/c DiBlasi, U. S. Navy, lost his life at Iwo Jima in 1945.)

Dorchester avenue and East Cottage street, (Pfc. Joyce, U. S. Infantry, 34th Division, Dorchester district, John J. Joyce Square, was killed in action in Italy, November 18, 1944.)

Warren and Clifford streets, Roxbury district, Frederick A. Dragone, Jr., Square. (Staff Sergt. Dragone, U. S. Army, 709th Bombing Squadron, was killed in Burma in 1944.)

Blue Hill avenue and Fremont street, Mattapan district, Francis L. Aspessi Square. (Sergt. Aspessi, U. S. Army Air Force, died in the service of his country on February 27, 1944.)

Wood avenue, Safford street, and Parker street, Hyde Park district, Charles Ryan Square. (Pfc. Ryan, U. S. Army, 39th Infantry, was killed in Germany on March 18, 1945.)

Brighton avenue and Chester street, Brighton district, William J. O'Connor Square. (Pfc. O'Connor, U. S. Army, 2nd Division, was killed in Korea, October 6, 1951—recipient of the Purple Heart.)

Mt. Vernon and Buttonwood streets, Dorchester district, Stanley Zdonek Square. (Pvt. Zdonek, U. S. Army, 58th Infantry, died on May 23, 1946.)

Bower and Sherman streets, Roxbury district, James R. Pearson Square. (Pfc. Pearson, U. S. Army, 9th Infantry Regiment, was killed in Korea on November 12, 1950.)

Hanover and Clark streets, Boston Proper district, James Rago Square. (Staff Sergt. Rago, U. S. Army Air Force, lost his life in the Asiatic area on March 27, 1945.)

Buena Vista and Warren streets, Roxbury district, Herbert C. Shoales Square. (Staff Sergt. Shoales, U. S. Army, 83rd Division, was killed in France on July 10, 1944.)

River and Sturbridge streets, Mattapan district, Joseph P. Lynch Square. (Seaman 1/c Lynch, U. S. Navy, was killed in action in the Pacific Theater on May 11, 1945—recipient of the Purple Heart and thirteen Battle Stars.)

Merrimac and Pitts streets, Boston Proper district, Anthony D. Albondy Square. (Sergt. Albondy, U. S. Army Air Force, lost his life while in the service of his country on February 7, 1945.)

Charles and Chambers streets, Boston Proper district, Peter J. Cirafice Square. (Chief Mechanic Cirafice, U. S. Navy, lost his life in the Pacific on the U. S. S. "Indiana," April 5, 1946—recipient of the Navy Air Medal.)

Winthrop street and Blue Hill avenue, Roxbury district, Stephen H. Lydon Square. (Seaman 1/c Lydon, U. S. Navy, lost his life in the service of his country on July 13, 1943.)

Deforest and Poplar streets, Roslindale district, George A. Wade Square. 2nd Lieut. Wade, U. S. Army, was killed in action in North Africa, March 19, 1944.)

Austin and West streets, Hyde Park district, John L. Carroll, Jr., Square. (Pvt. Carroll, U. S. Army, 38th Infantry Regiment, was killed in the Battle of the Bulge, December 28, 1944—citation, two Purple Hearts.)

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

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Denby road and Cambridge street, Ward 22, be named George S. Gillooly Square, in honor of George S. Gillooly, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Adams and Minot streets, Ward 16, be named John J. O'Leary Square, in honor of John J. O'Leary, who lost his life in the Korean action.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Alexander and Dudley streets, Ward 13, be named Clarence M. Ronan Square, in honor of Clarence M. Ronan, killed in action in Korea.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Locust street and Dorchester avenue, Ward 7, be named Willis N. Penney Square, in honor of Willis N. Penney, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Allston and Washington streets, Ward 21, be named Frederick T. Kelley Square, in honor of Frederick T. Kelley, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Clifford street and Blue Hill avenue, Ward 12, be named Paul E. Keaveny Square, in honor of Paul E. Keaveny, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Spring and Poplar streets, Ward 3, be named Michael T. DiBlasi Square, in honor of Michael T. DiBlasi, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Dorchester avenue and East Cottage street, Ward 13, be named John J. Joyce Square, in honor of John J. Joyce, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Warren and Clifford streets, Ward 12, be named Frederick A. Dragone, Jr., Square, in honor of Frederick A. Dragone, Jr., late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Blue Hill avenue and Fremont street, Ward 18, be named Francis L. Aspessi Square, in honor of Francis L. Aspessi, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Wood avenue, Safford street, and Parker street, Ward 18, be named Charles Ryan Square, in honor of Charles Ryan, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Brighton avenue and Chester street, Ward 21, be named William J. O'Connor Square, in honor of William J. O'Connor, killed in action in Korea.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Mt. Vernon and Buttonwood streets, Ward 7, be named Stanley Zdonek Square, in honor of Stanley Zdonek, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Bower and Sherman streets, Ward 12, be named James R. Pearson Square, in honor of James R. Pearson, killed in action in Korea.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Hanover and Clark streets, Ward 3, be named James Rago Square, in honor of James Rago, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Buena Vista and Warren streets, Ward 12, be named Herbert C. Shoales Square, in honor of Herbert C. Shoales, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of River and Sturbridge streets, Ward 17, be named Joseph P. Lynch Square, in honor of Joseph P. Lynch, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Merrimac and Pitts streets, Ward 3, be named Anthony D. Albondy Square, in honor of Anthony D. Albondy, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Charles and Chambers streets, Ward 3, be named Peter J. Cirafice Square, in honor of Peter J. Cirafice, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Winthrop street and Blue Hill avenue, Ward 8, be named Stephen H. Lydon Square, in honor of Stephen H. Lydon, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Deforest and Poplar streets, Ward 18, be named George A. Wade Square, in honor of George A. Wade, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Austin and West streets, Ward 18, be named John L. Carroll, Jr., Square, in honor of John L. Carroll, Jr., late veteran of World War II.

On motion of Councillor Kerrigan, the rules were suspended and the orders were severally passed.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

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

Claims.

Ruth Baker, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 1009 Washington street.

Alice Barron, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 125 Harvard street, Brighton.

Saul Bennett, for compensation for damage to car and injuries caused by truck of Printing Department.

William F. Berkeley, for wife, for compensation for damage to car caused by ball thrown from Mary Hemenway Playground.

Irene Brombiant, for compensation for damage to car caused by truck of Fire Department.

William A. Civilone, for compensation for damage to car caused by City Hospital ambulance.

Frank G. Clarke, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect in Sleeper street.

Peter Costagliola, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect in Atlantic avenue.

Mrs. John DeSantis, for compensation for collapse of water boiler at 86 Eutaw street, East Boston, caused by water being shut off.

Helene M. Fantasia, for compensation for damage to car by Public Works Department vehicle.

Joseph Faraci, for compensation for expenses incurred in cleaning sewer at 35 Princeton street, East Boston.

Thomas F. Foley, for compensation for damage to car by city car.

Mary Gasson, for compensation for damage to property at 819 Hyde Park avenue, during repairing of pipes.

Leo Gertner, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect in Dover street.

David Gladstone, for compensation for damage to car by car of Fire Department.

Daniel F. Hayes, Jr., for compensation for injuries caused by alleged defect in Bunker Hill Swimming Pool.

Edith M. Kemp, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 921 Dorchester avenue.

William H. Kirby, Jr., for compensation for death of dog killed by city truck.

Mary F. Lewis, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Josephine Luongo, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Frederick F. Martin, for wife, for compensation for damage to car by employees of Public Works Department.

Thomas F. McLaughlin, for reimbursement as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Police Department.

Sabatino Monaco, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Carmella Morteo, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 120 Salem street.

Alvin S. Nathanson, for compensation for damage to property caused by an alleged defect at 30 Neillian Crescent, Jamaica Plain.

John F. Neilson, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect at Washington and Dudley streets.

James J. Nestor, for compensation for injuries and damage to car by city motor vehicle.

Pat's Fruit Store, for compensation for damage to car by city car.

Stephen F. Riley, for compensation for injuries and damages sustained at fire at Calf Pasture Pumping Station.

Irwin Rosenberg, for compensation for damage to car by fireworks at Franklin Field.

Ida Sulkin, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 243 Washington street.

Mrs. Richard Terenzi, for compensation for damage to linoleum caused by collapse of water boiler at 86 Eutaw street, East Boston.

Lawrence J. Varnerin, for compensation for damage to property at 24 East Cottage street, caused by broken sewer pipe.

Raymond I. Wolfson, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect in Harrison avenue.

PETITIONS FOR ANNUITIES.

Petition of Catherine Farley to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, William F. Farley, late member of Fire Department.

Petition of Mary H. Carroll to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, Patrick E. Carroll, late member of Police Department.

Referred to Committee on Claims.

PETITION FOR INDEMNIFICATION.

Petition of William H. Halpin, employee of the Boston Fire Department, for indemnification for hospital, surgical, medical, and nursing expenses.

Referred to Committee on Claims.

NOTICE FROM STATE DEPARTMENT OF
PUBLIC UTILITIES.

Communication was received from the State Department of Public Utilities transmitting copy of order granting approval to Boston Edison Company for exemption of land on Lincoln street, Allston, and the substation to be erected thereon, from the zoning law.

Placed on file.

APPROVAL OF CONSTABLES' BONDS.

The constables' bonds of George A. Baird, Jr., and Frederick Sturn, having been duly approved by the City Treasurer, were received and approved.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMISSION ON
EXEMPTION OF CERTAIN CONTRACTS
FROM REQUIREMENTS OF ADVERTISING.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Finance Commission, July 24, 1952.

To the Honorable the Mayor and City Council,
Gentlemen:

There is now before you the question of the acceptance of chapter 376 of the 1952 Acts of the Massachusetts Legislature. This is an act increasing from \$1,000 to \$2,500 the dollar amount of contracts which may be awarded by the heads of municipal departments, without advertising or without special authority of the Mayor.

In the report on the supply system of the city, which was a part of the over-all survey of administration directed by the Massachusetts Legislature of 1948, the Finance Commission recommended not only increasing the contract amount which might be awarded without advertising, but, more importantly, proposed and urged a complete change in the method of going about the making of such contracts. The act before you for acceptance merely changes the dollar amount involved.

In the opinion of the Finance Commission, the act should not be accepted unless acceptance be made a part of a complete reform on the steps leading up to an award. Otherwise it is quite likely that grave abuse of the privilege granted by the Legislature will follow. It may be that the splitting of contracts to bring each within the cost figure set by the legislative restriction will not be so prevalent as in the past, but the wanton waste resulting from insufficient efforts to obtain the best price for a given job is likely to become greater than ever. If simply the limit in dollars is raised, there will be no charted course required in the making of awards. City business will continue to flow only to those vendors who are given preference for reasons other than that they offer the best price to the city.

The nationally known experts retained by the Finance Commission to examine the practices in the award of contracts found that in many instances the city agents still adhere to methods which were devised in the "horse-and-buggy" days. The Commission will not undertake here to repeat the recommendations of these experts. The Mayor, the members of the City Council, and the Purchasing Bureau have been supplied plentifully with copies of the report of Russell Forbes on the supply system. The Commission would refer you to the section of that report headed "Operational Principles and Procedures." Though it deals specifically with purchasing, the findings of it apply equally to work orders and contracts.

The Commission believes it requires something more substantial and lasting than an executive order to direct the reform desired. Executive orders at best are only informal instructions. The issuance of such directives and their continuance depend entirely on the whim of a mayor. In the past, executive

orders have often been "more honored in the breach than the observance."

It would seem, therefore, that the best way to lay down a course of procedure and to prevent abuse of it would be to have that course established by municipal ordinance. The Forbes report, above referred to, shows the way.

The Finance Commission recommends that the method of making awards for work and purchases be legislated by the Mayor and Council in an ordinance which will embrace the recommendations of the Forbes report.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD F. MULLEN, Chairman,

LEO J. DUNN,

FREDERICK DEANE,

JOSEPH K. COLLINS,

EDWARD U. LEE,

The Finance Commission.

ROBERT E. CUNNIFF, Secretary.

Referred to Committee on Ordinances.

EXTENSION OF FEDERAL RENT
CONTROL.

The following was received:

Office of Rent Stabilization,

Washington, D. C.,

July 24, 1952.

To the City Council,
Gentlemen:

I wish to acknowledge receipt of advice that the governing body of your municipality has taken the necessary action under the Housing and Rent Act of 1947, as amended, to continue Federal rent control after September 30, 1952.

We have examined the material submitted and find that the action taken is in accordance with the provisions of the Housing and Rent Act of 1947, as amended, and Federal rent control will continue in your community after September 30, 1952.

Sincerely yours,

TIGHE E. WOODS,

Director of Rent Stabilization.

Placed on file.

ABSENCE OF MAYOR.

Notice was received from the Mayor of his absence from the city from July 20, 1952, to July 27, 1952, inclusive.

Placed on file.

APPOINTMENT OF NICHOLAS C.
CROSSEN, JR.

Notice from the Health Department was received of the appointment of Nicholas C. Crossen, Jr., as collector of milk samples (provisional), effective July 21, 1952.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

APPOINTMENT OF BERNARD F.
SHADRAWY.

Notice from the Board of Assessors was received of the appointment of Bernard F. Shadrawy as temporary first assistant assessor, effective July 30, at a salary of \$326 a month.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

REPORT OF ANIMAL RESCUE LEAGUE
OF BOSTON.

Communication was received from the Animal Rescue League of Boston relative to the collection and disposition of unlicensed dogs in the City of Boston, between July 1, 1951, through June 30, 1952.

Placed on file.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFIRMATIONS.

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

Report on appointment by the Mayor (referred July 14) of Wallace R. Young as Weigher of Coal, Weigher of Goods, and Measurer of Wood, for the term ending April 30, 1953—recommending that appointment be confirmed.

The report was accepted and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councillors Ward and White. Whole number of ballots 7, yeas 5, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ORDINANCES.

Coun. WARD, for the Committee on Ordinances, submitted the following:

The Committee on Ordinances to whom was referred on June 9, 1952, the message of the Mayor and Ordinance concerning the organization, powers and duties of the City Planning Board, respectfully recommends the passage of the ordinance with the following amendment.

By striking out the word "July" wherever it appears and inserting in place thereof the word "September."

For the Committee,
MICHAEL J. WARD, Chairman.

The report of the committee was accepted.
The amendment was passed.
The ordinance, as amended, was passed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS.

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

Report on petition of Josephine J. Hoy (referred May 12) to be paid an annuity on account of death of her husband, Frederick C. Hoy, 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 fifteen hundred dollars be allowed and paid to Josephine J. Hoy, widow of Frederick C. Hoy, a member of the Police Department who died on April 30, 1952, 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 Police Department, Pensions and Annuities.

The report was accepted and the order was passed.

REDEVELOPMENT OF BOSTON & ALBANY RAILROAD YARDS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, August 4, 1952.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Chairman of the City Planning Board in reply to the order adopted by your Honorable Body on July 28 concerning progress on the redevelopment of the Boston & Albany Railroad yards.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City Planning Board,
August 4, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

In answer to your communication of July 28 concerning order of the City Council in regard to report of Mayor's Committee on Redevelopment of the Boston & Albany Railroad yard, I am reporting as follows.

Since the meeting in your office, at which you cut down the membership to seven, there have been two meetings of the seven-man committee.

This committee is in the process of working out a contract with the City Investment Corporation of New York for the making of an economic base and plan study of that area. The particular reason for our dealing with this organization is the fact that they have country-wide financial contacts with leading building organizations and seem to have the financial backing for promoting a development of this type, which has been lacking heretofore.

We are at the present time waiting to hear further from the City Investment Corporation and expect to conclude a contract as soon as possible.

Very truly yours,
THOMAS F. McDONOUGH,
Chairman.

On motion of Councillor Hailer, the message was laid on the table.

PURCHASE OF SUPPLIES FOR THE CITY.

Coun. AHEARN offered the following:

City of Boston.

In the Year Nineteen Hundred and Fifty-two. An Ordinance Concerning the Purchase of Supplies for the City of Boston.

Be it ordained by the City Council as follows: Chapter 3 of the Revised Ordinances of 1947, as most recently amended, is hereby further amended by adding the following new section:

SECTION 27. Every officer or board in charge of a municipal or county department, when about to issue a purchase or work order, or execute a contract for a purchase or work, the total cost of which is not less than \$100, and not more than \$1,000, shall invite bids by letter to at least four firms engaged in the line of business relating to the purchase or work required, and by posting notice of a desire to receive such bids on one bulletin board in a conspicuous location in City Hall and on another bulletin board in the department which desires such bids.

Notice of bids desired shall state the exact day, time and place of closing for the receipt of bids, at which time all bids shall be publicly opened and read by an employee of the department desiring the bids and immediately posted for public inspection. No award shall be made unless at least three bids have been received and opened and read, and award shall be made to the lowest responsible bidder offering to comply with the city's specifications who shall have furnished bond or certified check in reasonable amount guaranteeing acceptable compliance with the order or contract sought.

Bids shall be submitted on a form provided by the department soliciting bids which shall contain the essential details to describe reasonably the purchase of work contemplated.

In the event of an emergency need for purchase or work, wherein delay would prejudice the interest of the city, the above requirements may be waived on permission given in writing by the Mayor, which shall be accompanied by a letter from the department involved explaining the emergency, both of which shall be posted on the aforementioned bulletin boards, and no such permission shall be valid unless and until such posting has been made.

Referred to Committee on Ordinances.

COMMENDATIONS TO PETER J. CLOHERTY.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:

Whereas, The quick thinking and courageous action of an attache of the Boston City Council won national recognition during the recent Democratic National Convention in Chicago, and

Whereas, The governors of many of our States and many other public officials commended and honored Peter J. Cloherty, in one instance to the extent of appointing him to the honorary position of Colonel on the staff of Governor Johnson Murray of Oklahoma, and

Whereas, The quick thinking action of Cloherty certainly prevented a catastrophe which might have eclipsed previous fatal incidents in the sorrowful memory of Bostonians, and

Whereas, The nationally recognized heroism of Peter J. Cloherty has reflected great credit upon Boston, and especially the Boston City Council, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the members of the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, desire to extend hearty congratulations and praise to Peter J. Cloherty, Attache of the Boston City Council, for his courage and presence of mind, and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be made in the form of a scroll and publicly presented to Peter J. Cloherty at a suitable ceremony in the Boston City Council Chamber.

Coun. WHITE in the chair.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

RESURFACING GORDON AVENUE, HYDE PARK.

Coun. WARD offered the following:

Ordered, That the Street Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to resurface Gordon avenue, in Hyde Park.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

APPOINTMENTS OF CONSTABLES TO SERVE WITHOUT BOND.

Coun. PIEMONTE moved to take from the table No. 3 on the Calendar, viz.:

3. Annual list of appointments by the Mayor of constables not authorized to serve civil process and to serve without bond.

The motion was lost.

THE NEXT MEETING.

On motion of Councillor Hurley the Council voted that when it adjourn it be to meet on Monday, August 25, 1952, at 2 P.M.

President PIEMONTE in the chair.

RECESS.

President Piemonte declared a recess at 5.49 P.M. for ten minutes. The members reassembled in the Council Chamber and were called to order by President PIEMONTE at 5.58 P.M.

APPOINTMENTS OF CONSTABLES TO SERVE WITHOUT BOND.

Coun. AHEARN moved to take from the table No. 3 on the Calendar, viz.:

3. Annual list of appointments by the Mayor of constables not authorized to serve civil process and to serve without bond.

The motion was lost.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

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

Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred July 17) for appropriation of \$75,000 for off-street parking areas—that same ought to pass.

(On July 17, 1952, the foregoing order was read once and passed, yeas seven, nays none.)

The report of the Committee was accepted. The question came on giving the order its second reading and passage. The order was given its second reading and passage, yeas 8, nays 0:

Yeas—Councillors Ahearn, Hailer, Hurley, Joyce, Kerrigan, Piemonte, Ward, White—8.
Nays—0.

PAYMENT OF COMPENSATION TO LAURENCE H. BANKS.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:

Ordered, That chapter 500 of the Acts of 1952, entitled "An Act Authorizing the City of Boston to Compensate Laurence H. Banks for Certain Expenses Incurred by Him in Establishing His Right To Be Declared a Duly Elected Member of the City Council of Said City" be, and hereby is, accepted.

Referred to Committee on Ordinances.

Adjourned at 6.18 P.M., on motion of Councillor Ward, to meet on Monday, August 25, 1952, 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.

Tuesday, August 12, 1952.

Special meeting of the City Council, held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 11 A.M., President PIEMONTE in the chair. Absent, Councillors Foley, Hailer, Hurley, White.

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,
August 8, 1952.

A special meeting of the City Council will be held in its Chamber, City Hall, on Tuesday, August 12, 1952, at 11 o'clock A.M.

By order of the court.

W. J. MALLOY, City Clerk.

Subject: To draw grand jurors.

Placed on file.

JURORS DRAWN.

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

Four additional grand jurors, Superior Criminal Court, to appear September 3, 1952:

William A. Wilke, Ward 11; John C. Ellis, Ward 12; Earle W. Dorbin, Ward 17; William C. Anglin, Ward 21.

The purpose for which the meeting was called having been accomplished, President PIEMONTE declared the meeting adjourned at 11.29 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.

Monday, August 25, 1952.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President PIEMONTE in the chair. Absent, Councillor Ward.

The Reverend Eugene B. Burns, S.J., of St. Andrew Bobola House, 300 Newbury street, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY REV. EUGENE B. BURNS.

Eternal God, Governor of the Universe and Searcher of men's hearts, pour down upon this assembly, we pray Thee, Thy manifold graces. Give to each and all of those here present who take up the trying task of government light to understand the problems that confront this city and strength to carry through to realization the effective remedy. We ask that the members of this civic Council may have unclouded vision to know that they work not for their own self-interest nor primarily for their own emolument but that they are the elected dispensers of Thy bounty for the common universal good. We pray fervently that no unholy lust for the fleeting things of time may turn our gaze from those goals of justice and charity towards which our lives as public servants have been dedicated. May Thy gracious assistance aid us to walk ever honorably and valiantly along the narrow but secure path of truth and goodness, girt with the knowledge that one day we must render to Thee a reckoning of our stewardship. We pray that our ears may be alerted to the inspirations of Thy words and closed to every temptation of unworthy traffic. May our eyes see the good that we can achieve and our hearts and minds be strong to accomplish every worthy ambition. We ask that through our efforts, sustained by Thy Grace, this City of Boston with its rich spiritual and cultural inheritance may become a shining pillar of fire for the other cities of our beloved nation. On the triple mount of Faith and Hope and Charity in Thee and for Thee may we build to enduring greatness this fair city of the three hills, the city of man which Thou hast destined to chart our way to that holy and eternal city where Thou dwellest forever with Thy Son and Holy Spirit to whom be all glory and honor. Amen.

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:

Constables with authority to serve civil process upon filing of bond, for the term ending April 30, 1953: John J. Murphy, 1472 Centre street, Roslindale; John A. Packard, 38 Joyce-Hayes Way, South Boston.

Weigher of Coal, for the term ending April 30, 1953: Jean F. Curry, 266 East Cottage street, Dorchester.

Severally referred to the Committee on Confirmations.

WITHDRAWAL OF ORDER FOR APPROPRIATION OF \$32,000 FOR PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 4, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I hereby withdraw the order submitted to your Body on July 17, 1952, providing for the transfer of \$32,000 from the appropriation "Sales of City Property" to be expended for a Public Works yard in the Forest Hills area.

Since forwarding this order to your Body, the Boston Housing Authority has voted not to build on the present site of the Public Works yard at Child street in Jamaica Plain. Therefore, the pending transaction to purchase this site from the Public Works Department for \$32,000 has been canceled.

Because of these developments there is no necessity for City Council action in this matter and the order before you is therefore withdrawn.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Finance.

RESURFACING GORDON AVENUE, HYDE PARK.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 11, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Secretary of the Board of Street Commissioners relative to your order of August 4, 1952, concerning the request to resurface Gordon avenue in Hyde Park.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Street Laying-Out Department,
August 6, 1952.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I acknowledge for the Board receipt of Council order introduced by Councillor Ward requesting that this Board resurface Gordon avenue, Hyde Park district.

For the information of the councillor, Gordon avenue is a public way from 1307 River street northerly to 140 feet beyond Horton street. With reference to the resurfacing of this particular section of the street the matter should be referred to the Public Works Commissioner.

In view of the fact that Gordon avenue from No. 114 to the end of the street is a private way, the city has no rights, under the law, to enter and resurface this section of the street. However, if it was the intention of the councillor to have this Board consider the possible acceptance of this particular section as a public way, upon notice to this Board of such an order every consideration would be given to the matter at that time.

It is believed that the councillor has referred to the section of the street now designated as a public way, and therefore his order should be referred to the Commissioner of Public Works.

Very truly yours,

L. W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

The message was laid on the table.

SPORT FISHING AT LONG ISLAND
VIADUCT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, August 14, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Chairman of the Board of Recreation relative to your order of July 14, 1952, requesting that a study be made of the feasibility of the recreational use of the Long Island viaduct for sport fishing by citizens of Boston and the request for the licensing of such use at a fee sufficient to compensate the city for any expense involved.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,

Board of Recreation, August 6, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Your Honor:

Pursuant to your communication bearing date of July 28, 1952, with respect to the order of the Boston City Council of July 14, 1952, requesting a study of the feasibility of a recreational use of the Long Island viaduct for sport fishing by the citizens of the City of Boston to be licensed by a fee sufficient to compensate the city for any expense involved.

While your Honor is undoubtedly familiar with the physical appearance of the viaduct from Squantum to Long Island, you know that it is 60 feet from the water's surface at low tide and 50 feet at high tide, and that there is in the center a channel 250 feet wide leaving an area of about 3,000 feet free for fishing. There is, as you know, a narrow walk on only the south side of the bridge and no walk on the other side with space for two automobiles to pass. The water under the bridge is 11 to 15 feet deep, and there is passing under it, especially on week ends, a great deal of small sailing craft and other pleasure boats. The area is inaccessible except to people of Quincy, and the parking problem is acute, there being certainly no space on the bridge and little, if any, space in the immediate vicinity. The opinions of fishermen vary as to the desirability of fishing from such a height, but in a high wind with long lines, large numbers fishing could constitute something of a problem both as to safety and the necessity for policing.

This Board is inclined to oppose any further levying of fees on fishing and thinks a dangerous precedent might be created if we attempt to charge a fee for salt-water fishing which is not done anywhere in the country. We call your Honor's attention to the fact that there are annually 8,640 licenses issued from the office of the City Clerk at \$3.25 each, and we feel no further levies on fishing can be justified.

It is our understanding that, as a result of a recommendation made by this Board several years ago, the Park Commission is studying the feasibility of allowing fishing from the banks of Jamaica Pond. This study includes the possibility of stocking the pond, and the likelihood of this addition to our recreational program of Boston this year is very great.

While this Board does not necessarily oppose fishing from the Long Island viaduct, it suggests that the money needed to make such a program feasible might better be spent in developing other parts, including the improvement of fishing conditions in your Honor's recreation program.

Yours respectfully

ALBERT WEST, Chairman.

Referred to the Committee on Public Services and Recreation.

PICNIC GROUNDS ON HARBOR ISLANDS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, August 14, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Chairman of the Board of Recreation relative to your order of July 14, 1952, requesting that a study be made of the possibility of the use of one or more of the harbor islands to be used as picnic grounds, use of the East Boston ferry for transportation, and the use of money from the Randidge Trust Fund for the preparation of the picnic sites selected and for such additional purposes and expenses as may be incurred.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,

Board of Recreation, August 6, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes,

Mayor of Boston.

Your Honor:

Pursuant to your communication bearing date of July 28, 1952, we have reviewed the recommendations of the order of the Boston City Council of July 14, 1952, with respect to a proposed recreational program for use of certain of the islands in Boston Harbor as picnic grounds and the East Boston ferry for transportation to and from those grounds, the same to be financed by the George L. Randidge Fund.

This Board favors picnics wherever feasible for as many children as finances can be found to provide for. It looks with some apprehension, however, at the use of the East Boston ferryboats, which are somewhat antiquated, for transportation of large groups of children in water as deep as that surrounding the several islands in our harbor.

Without going into the enormous cost of building slips to accommodate the ferry landing at the various islands, we would have to have considerably more time to study the setting up of sufficient safety devices on the craft to prevent a tragedy. It is our opinion that without such devices the ferry would not be a proper vehicle of transportation for large numbers of children.

With respect to use of moneys from the Randidge Fund, may we respectfully call to your Honor's attention the fact that as of April 30, 1952, there was \$11,502.44 in accumulated unexpended earnings and that the fund earns annually slightly under \$2,000. While this Board is of the firm belief that it is unwise to allow large accumulations of money from charity bequests left for recreational purposes, it, nevertheless, feels that it is equally unwise to dissipate such charity money in a great many scattered directions, accomplishing little, if any, good for any one of them. In this respect, the Board of Park Commissioners is to be commended for its wise use of the Randidge bequest in annually providing transportation to large groups of children to the Cummings Estate in Woburn (which was also left the city for recreational purposes, and until the Park Department's program, was little used) for the purpose of a well-planned and well-organized gardening program. In 1951, there was spent \$2,946.74 from the Randidge Fund, which, as you can see, is nearly \$1,000 above the annual earnings. In 1952, at your Honor's direction, there were organized a series of historical excursions to Salem, which have been meeting with very great success, combining, as they do, recreation and education in the finest American tradition. They include a guided tour of the literary and historical shrines of that historic city and will cost about \$1,500. It is my understanding that a group of crippled children will be transported this month by the Randidge Fund at a cost of \$1,000. Thus, you can see that in a few years the total accumulation in this bequest will be whittled down, leaving only the annual income.

Since the success of the gardening program depends upon receipt of more money that the fund earns annually, it is our suggestion that

no further moneys be expended from the accumulated income until other means are found to finance these very desirable programs.

It is the hope and intention of this Board, with your Honor's cooperation, to undertake to interest substantial citizens, women's clubs, and other civic groups in this city in assuming the financing of such programs as the gardening program and other desirable recreational projects. It may be noted that the city has not been the beneficiary of gifts such as the Randidge bequest lately, and stimulation to continue this very desirable practice will be one of our major objectives.

Yours respectfully,
ALBERT WEST, Chairman.

Referred to the Committee on Public Services and Recreation.

RECONVEYANCE OF LAND IN EAST BOSTON TO MARY McLEAN.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 12, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

Chapter 191 of the Acts of 1949 empowered the Transit Department of the City of Boston to remove to other sites dwellings within the location of the recently completed East Boston Rapid Transit Extension. Upon the abolition of the Transit Department on August 3, 1949, the Metropolitan Transit Authority was authorized and directed to complete the house moving project as agent of the City of Boston. St. 1947, c. 544, s. 8A, par. (h), as appearing in St. 1949, c. 572.

Mary McLean owned, in addition to her dwelling and message at 155 Cowper street, East Boston, the vacant estates at 157 and 159 Cowper street. On April 27, 1950, the Metropolitan Transit Authority, acting as agent of the city, took the vacant estates at 157 and 159 Cowper street for the purpose of relocating thereon two of the dwellings within the location of the rapid transit extension. This taking, being made in accordance with deed descriptions rather than existing monuments, resulted in the taking of a 10-foot strip which was actually used as a part of the message of Mary McLean's dwelling at 155 Cowper street, which there was no intent to disturb.

Enclosed herewith is a communication from the Metropolitan Transit Authority notifying your Honorable Body of the Authority's determination that the 10-foot strip in question is no longer needed for public purposes. Also transmitted herewith is an order, the adoption of which I recommend, authorizing the reconveyance of the 10-foot strip to Mary McLean for \$360, the price the city paid for the land.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Metropolitan Transit Authority,
August 6, 1952.

To the Honorable the City Council,
City Hall, Boston, Mass.

Gentlemen:

As authorized and directed by vote of the Board of Trustees of the Metropolitan Transit Authority, a certified copy of which vote is annexed hereto and made a part hereof, I hereby notify you on behalf of the said Authority that it is the opinion of the Authority that the 10-foot strip of land described in said vote is no longer required for public purposes and that the said Authority recommends the sale of the said strip of land for the sum of three hundred and sixty dollars (\$360) to Mary McLean, 155 Cowper street, East Boston, the owner of the adjoining parcel and the former owner of the strip of land in question, from whom said strip was taken by eminent domain by the Metropolitan Transit Authority as

agent for the City of Boston under chapter 191 of the Acts of 1949, as amended.

Very truly yours,
WALTER J. WALDRON, Chairman,
Board of Trustees of the Metropolitan Transit Authority.

I, Emma E. Mullen, Recording Secretary of the Board of Trustees of the Metropolitan Transit Authority, hereby certify that at a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Metropolitan Transit Authority, acting under the provisions of chapter 544 of the Acts of 1947, as amended, duly called and held on the sixth day of August, 1952, at which all the members were present, the following votes were adopted unanimously:

On motion duly made and seconded, it was Voted, That it be, and hereby is, determined to be the opinion of the Metropolitan Transit Authority that the land hereinafter described is no longer required for public purposes, to wit: the land shown on plan entitled "City of Boston by Metropolitan Transit Authority, Agent, Plan of Land, Cowper Street, East Boston, to Be Conveyed by City of Boston to Mary McLean, Scale: 1 Inch Equals 20 Feet, February 26, 1952, Plan No. 18917, J. A. Canton, Engineer of Way and Structures," to wit, the land bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a point on the southeasterly line of Cowper street distant ninety (90) feet southwesterly from the intersection of the southeasterly line of Cowper street and the southwesterly line of Wordsworth street; thence running southeasterly through land now or formerly of the City of Boston, one hundred (100) feet to a point; thence turning and running southwesterly along land now or formerly of Aniolo and Agata Maglio, ten (10) feet to a point; thence turning and running northwesterly along land of Mary McLean one hundred (100) feet to a point; thence turning and running northeasterly along the southeasterly line of Cowper street ten (10) feet to the point of beginning, containing one thousand (1,000) square feet more or less, and being a portion of Parcel II on Plan 18614 of the City of Boston by Metropolitan Transit Authority, Agent, duly recorded on April 27, 1950, with Suffolk Registry of Deeds, Book 601, page 50.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was Voted, That the Chairman of the Board of Trustees be, and hereby is, authorized and directed to notify the City Council of the City of Boston on behalf of the Metropolitan Transit Authority that it is the opinion of the Authority that the land described in the foregoing vote and shown on plan entitled "City of Boston by Metropolitan Transit Authority, Agent, Plan of Land, Cowper Street, East Boston, to Be Conveyed by City of Boston to Mary McLean, Scale: 1 Inch Equals 20 Feet, February 26, 1952, Plan No. 18917, J. A. Canton, Engineer of Way and Structures," is no longer required for public purposes and that the Metropolitan Transit Authority recommends the sale of the said land to Mary McLean, 155 Cowper street, East Boston, the owner of the adjoining parcel and the person from whom the land described in the foregoing vote was taken by eminent domain on April 27, 1950, in the course of taking the estates at 157 and 159 Cowper street, such sale to be for the sum of three hundred and sixty (360) dollars, which is at the same rate of 36 cents per square foot as was used in the settlement of Mary McLean's claim for the taking of her estates at 157 and 159 Cowper street.

A true copy.

Attest:
EMMA E. MULLEN,
Recording Secretary of the Board of Trustees of the Metropolitan Transit Authority.

Whereas, The Metropolitan Transit Authority, which, as agent of the City of Boston under St. 1947, c. 544, s. 8A, par. (h), as appearing in St. 1949, c. 572, s. 3, is in charge of the land hereinafter described, which was

taken by eminent domain under an order of the Metropolitan Transit Authority dated April 27, 1950, and recorded with Suffolk Deeds, Book 6601, page 50, has notified the City Council that in the opinion of said Authority such land is no longer required for public purposes; now, 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 convey to Mary McLean, by a deed in form satisfactory to the Corporation Counsel, at a minimum price of three hundred and sixty dollars (\$360), all right, title and interest of the City of Boston in and to the land shown on plan entitled "City of Boston by Metropolitan Transit Authority, Agent, Plan of Land, Cowper Street, East Boston, to Be Conveyed by City of Boston to Mary McLean, Scale: 1 Inch Equals 20 Feet, February 26, 1952, Plan No. 18917, J. A. Canton, Engineer of Way and Structures," to wit, the land bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a point on the southeasterly line of Cowper street distant ninety (90) feet southwesterly from the intersection of the southeasterly line of Cowper street and the southwesterly line of Wordsworth street; thence running southeasterly through land now or formerly of the City of Boston one hundred (100) feet to a point; thence turning and running southwesterly along land now or formerly of Aniello and Agata Maglio ten (10) feet to a point; thence turning and running northwesterly along land of Mary McLean one hundred (100) feet to a point; thence turning and running northeasterly along the southeasterly line of Cowper street ten (10) feet to the point of beginning, containing one thousand (1,000) square feet, more or less.

Referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATION TO WEIGHTS AND MEASURES DEPARTMENT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 25, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of the attached communication from John F. McCarthy, Sealer of Weights and Measures, requesting an additional appropriation of \$1,700 to replace a truck used as a special test unit for testing measuring devices dispensing liquid fuel.

The present unit was involved in an automobile accident and the truck is a total loss and has only a small salvage value. It is absolutely essential that this unit be replaced so that the Sealer of Weights and Measures can comply with the provisions of the General Laws relative to the testing and sealing of weighing and measuring devices.

There is forwarded herewith an order transferring the sum of \$1,700 from the Reserve Fund to the budget of the Weights and Measures Department. The prompt consideration and adoption of this order is requested by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully yours,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Weights and Measures Department,
August 11, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

The past few years have seen a tremendous growth in the use of liquid fuel for heating and cooking purposes in our city. In order to efficiently test measuring devices dispensing this product this department designed a special test unit for this work.

On August 5, 1952, this unit was involved in an automobile accident. I have contacted three Chevrolet dealers in this city and they have stated that the truck is a total loss and has only a small salvage value.

Massachusetts General Laws, section 41, chapter 98, states that all weighing and measuring devices shall be tested and sealed once a year. The unit involved in the accident is the only one in operation by this department.

At the present time this department cannot comply with the provisions of the General Laws and is unable to perform the necessary work of testing devices, for the protection of consumers of liquid fuel in our city.

I respectfully request that the sum of \$1,700 be transferred to the budget of this department from available sources, to replace the damaged unit. This amount of money will purchase a new chassis and cab and allow for the transfer of the present body and special equipment to a new unit. The purchase of a new unit will make it possible for this department to comply with the General Laws and assure consumers that they are receiving liquid fuel from correct measuring devices.

Respectfully yours,
JOHN F. MCCARTHY,
Sealer of Weights and Measures.

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, \$1,700, to the appropriation for Weights and Measures Department, 5, Equipment, 500, Automotive Equipment, \$1,700.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATION TO HOSPITAL DEPARTMENT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 25, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of the attached communication from the President of the Board of Trustees of the Boston City Hospital requesting an additional appropriation of \$30,000 so that the trustees can proceed with the addition of a new Premature Unit upon the top of the present Pediatric Building.

The total estimated cost of this project is \$150,000, and the city is to provide \$90,000 and the state will allocate \$60,000 from federal funds. There has already been set aside from the city appropriations \$60,000 for this purpose and the additional \$30,000 herein requested will be added to the \$60,000 in order to increase the present city appropriation to the agreed \$90,000.

In order to comply with the request for this most important project there is enclosed herewith an order transferring the sum of \$30,000 from the Reserve Fund to the budget of the Hospital Department. Prompt consideration and adoption of this order is recommended by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully yours,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Hospital Department, June 27, 1952.
Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

During the latter part of 1951 a conference was held in the office of the Mayor explaining the need for a new Premature Unit upon the top of the Pediatric Building. Verbal arrangements were made at that time to have the city provide \$90,000 and the State Department of Public Health, under the direction of Dr. Daniel Rubenstein, to allocate from federal funds the other \$60,000. The federal funds can be used for either the purchase of equipment or in connection with the alterations and construction.

Prior to this conference \$60,000 had been set aside from the then existing appropriation, 26-11, Installations, Alterations and Repairs, at the request of Dr. English, then President of the Board of Trustees. This amount of

\$60,000 has been carried on the Auditor's books; the only encumbrance against same to date being \$12,500 for architect's fees.

The estimated total cost of the project is \$150,000 and the plans for same have been approved of by the United States Public Health Service, the trustees, Superintendent, and the Chief of the Pediatric Service.

The need at the present time is an additional amount of \$30,000 to be taken from city funds to strengthen what has already been earmarked. As soon as this \$30,000 is added to the present balance and Dr. Daniel Rubenstein of the Hospitalization Division of the State Board of Health is so notified by the City Auditor, the trustees can proceed immediately with the addition of this much needed unit.

Your approval of this additional amount of \$30,000 is therefore most respectfully requested.

Very truly yours,
 RICHARD D. CONDON,
 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, \$30,000, to the appropriation for Hospital Department, 7, Structures and Improvements, 26-11, Installation, Alterations and Repairs, \$30,000.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

APPROPRIATION FROM PARKMAN FUND INCOME.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
 Office of the Mayor, August 25, 1952.
 To the City Council.
 Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of the attached communication from the Board of Park Commissioners requesting the appropriation of \$18,000 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 1952 budget estimates of the personal service requirements of the Park Department included an estimate of the total income of \$183,000 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 \$18,000, the accrued income now available from the Parkman Fund, and respectfully recommend its immediate passage by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
 J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
 Park Department, August 19, 1952.
 Hon. John B. Hynes,
 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 \$18,000 which is now available, to be expended under direction of the Board of Park Commissioners, as follows:

Common and Parks in Existence on
 January 12, 1887, Maintenance and
 Improvement of..... \$18,000

When making up the budget estimates for the year 1952, a sum equal to the total yearly income of the George F. Parkman Fund was deducted from Item 100, Permanent Em-

ployees, with the understanding that this deduction was to be replaced by the total yearly income of said Parkman Fund for 1952, to be transferred as it accrued from time to time, during the year, to the regular maintenance appropriation for the Park Department.

Respectfully yours,
 FRANK R. KELLEY, Chairman.

Ordered, That the sum of eighteen thousand dollars (\$18,000) 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..... \$18,000.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Finance.

ORDINANCE RE AWARDING OF CERTAIN CONTRACTS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
 Office of the Mayor, August 11, 1952.
 To the City Council.
 Gentlemen:

Recently I sent your Honorable Body a message recommending the acceptance of chapter 376 of the Acts of 1952, which would exempt certain contracts made on behalf of the city and county from the requirements of certain provisions of law. In that message, I stated it to be my intention to take steps so that the city would not lose the advantage of competition on contracts thus exempted. Transmitted herewith is an ordinance designed to insure such competition.

The ordinance affects, with certain exceptions hereinafter noted, all orders and contracts involving \$300 or more which are not regulated by statute. It requires that bid invitations be (a) mailed to at least five prospective bidders; (b) publicly posted in or near the offices of the department inviting the bids, and (c) kept readily accessible for public inspection in the City Auditor's office. The ordinance further provides that no order or contract shall be valid unless (1) bids are invited as prescribed; (2) they are publicly opened, read and posted, and (3) the order or contract is awarded to the lowest responsible and eligible bidder on the basis of the bids submitted. Since the restrictions thus imposed are quite stringent and to some extent time-consuming, situations can conceivably arise where the delay would be against the public interest and even where compliance would be impracticable. For example, there could not be five prospective bidders when the manufacturer of a machine is the sole supplier of replacement parts. Therefore, to make the ordinance feasible, such situations are expressly excepted; but every time a board or officer invokes the exception, such board or officer must post and file a statement of reasons, which, in some cases, must also be approved by the Mayor.

It is submitted that the ordinance is suitable in substance and proper in form to achieve its objective, and I recommend its adoption. In order that the transition involved in the adoption of the ordinance and the acceptance of chapter 376 of the Acts of 1952 may be handled with the maximum administrative efficiency, I further recommend that the Council, if it agrees with me that this action will be of benefit to the city, postpone until one of the last two meetings in September action on the order I recently submitted for acceptance of chapter 376 of the Acts of 1952. This will permit the effective date of the ordinance to be October 1, 1952.

Respectfully,
 J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

In the Year Nineteen Hundred and Fifty-two. An Ordinance Relative to the Award of Certain Contracts Made on Behalf of 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 inserting after section 18 the following new section: Section 18A. Every board or officer of the city, and every board or officer of the county having power to incur obligations on behalf of the county in cases where said obligations are to be paid for wholly from the treasury of the city, when about to do any work or to make any purchase the cost of which alone, or in conjunction with other similar work or purchase which might properly be included in the same contract or order, amounts to three hundred dollars or more, shall post an invitation for bids for such work or purchase, and also send a copy of such invitation by mail postpaid to at least five prospective bidders, and also file a copy of such invitation with the city auditor, who shall keep the same readily accessible for public inspection until the time therein specified for opening bids has passed. Such invitation shall be in writing, shall contain a description of the work to be done or the goods to be purchased sufficiently accurate for the identification thereof, shall state where duplicates of such invitation may be obtained and the time and place for opening bids, shall reserve the right to reject any and all bids, and shall be in such form that a bid may be submitted thereon or on a duplicate thereof. No bidder shall be deemed eligible within the meaning of this section unless he submits his bid on such an invitation or duplicate and in a sealed envelope plainly marked on the outside so as to show it contains a bid for the particular work or purchase.

No order given, or contract made, by any board or officer aforesaid for the doing of any such work or the making of any such purchase shall be valid unless (1) bids therefor are invited as hereinbefore prescribed; (2) all bids submitted are publicly opened and read at the time and place specified in the invitation and are thereupon forthwith posted, and (3) the order is given, or contract awarded, to the lowest responsible and eligible bidder on the basis of the bids submitted.

The provisions of this section shall be inapplicable whenever, in the opinion of the board or officer giving the order or making the contract, compliance with the provisions of this section is impracticable or the delay incident to such compliance would be detrimental to the city or the health or safety of persons or property; provided, that before giving the order or making the contract in any of such cases, the board or officer shall, unless in its or his opinion an extreme emergency involving the health or safety of persons or property exists, post a signed statement, approved in writing by the mayor, giving in detail the reasons for such opinion and file a copy of such statement with the city auditor, who shall keep the same readily accessible for public inspection for at least one month; and provided, further, that, if in the opinion of the board or officer such an extreme emergency exists, the board or officer shall, not later than the next business day after giving the order or making the contract, post a signed statement giving in detail the reasons for such opinion, send a copy of such statement to the mayor, and file another copy thereof with the city auditor, who shall keep the same readily accessible for public inspection for at least one month. The provisions of this section shall also not apply to any contract coming within section 6 of chapter 418 of the acts of 1890 or within section 44A of chapter 149 of the General Laws.

No invitation, bid, or statement of reasons shall be deemed to have been posted within the meaning of this section unless posted conspicuously in some convenient and public place in the offices of, or in a passage adjacent to the offices of, the board or officer giving the order or making the contract.

SECT. 2. This ordinance shall take effect on October 1, 1952.

Referred to the Committee on Ordinances.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

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

Claims.

Patrick Anastasia, for compensation for damage to car by fire truck.

Peter Anderson and Ruth M. Geich, for compensation for damage to property, caused by raising grade of sidewalk.

Michael Arena, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

John D. Blondon, for compensation for damage to property at 19 Frederika street, Dorchester, caused by overflow of sewer.

Francis J. Chase, for compensation for damage to property at 88 and 90 Bunker Hill street, caused by water seeping into cellar.

Filippa Contino, for compensation for damage to property at 96 Train street, Dorchester, caused by collapse of water boiler.

William H. Cooper, for compensation for damage to property at 115 Dale street, Roxbury, caused by overflow of sewage.

Martin F. Curran, for compensation for damage to car by car of Police Department.

Orin Delaney, for compensation for damage to car by street sweeper.

John D. Dilorati, for compensation for damage to property at 135-141 K street, caused by backing up of sewer.

Sydney D. Dorfman, for compensation for damage to property at 152 Church street, West Roxbury, caused during street construction.

John Joseph Fee, for compensation for injuries caused by truck of Sealer of Weights and Measures Department.

Alice Ferguson, for compensation for damage to property and personal injuries caused by an alleged defect at 1391 Commonwealth avenue.

Firestone Warehouse, for compensation for undermining of track at 240 Mt. Vernon street, by Water Department.

Mrs. Domicile Foster, for compensation for damage to property at 114 West Seventh street, caused by broken water pipe.

Joseph Glassoff, for compensation for collapse of water boiler at 94 Green street, Charlestown, caused by water being shut off.

Joseph M. Goldberg, for compensation for damage to car by fire truck.

E. S. Harris, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Fisk Wharf.

Mrs. Hayden, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 65 Stanton street.

Sidney M. Herman, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Max Hershman, doing business as Devon Creamery, for compensation for damage to property at 230 Columbia road, Dorchester, caused by defective sewer.

Hudson Sales Company, for compensation for damage to property at 1320 Soldiers Field road, caused by falling tree.

Robert M. Kelly, for compensation for damage to property at 5 Souther road, Dorchester, caused by lowering grade of street.

Kneeland Liquor Store, for compensation for damage to property at 28 Kneeland street, caused by defective water pipes.

Esme Lawrence, for compensation for damage to property at 113 Dale street, Roxbury, caused by overflow of sewer.

Theodore J. Lukosi, to be reimbursed as result of executions issued against him while in performance of duty as employee of Police Department.

La Notizia Publishing Company, for compensation for damage to property at 30-34 Battery street, caused by broken water main.

Philip Mainero, for compensation for injuries caused by fire apparatus.

Elizabeth A. Mixer, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect in Columbus avenue.

Michael H. Murray, for compensation for damage to property at 24 Russell street, Charlestown, caused by backing up of sewage.

James O'Neil, for compensation for injuries caused by fire apparatus.

Laura E. Peckham, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Federal street.

Caroline Renzi, for compensation for damage to property at 836 Canterbury street, Roslindale, caused by backing up of sewage.

Henry Rimam, for compensation for damage to property at 392 Seaver street, Dorchester, caused by overflow of water.

Roseland of Massachusetts, Inc., for compensation for damage to property at Burbank street and Massachusetts avenue, caused by bursting of water main.

Henry S. E. Rosen, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Elizabeth Scott, for compensation for loss of teeth at City Hospital.

Franklin Secatore, for compensation for damage to property at Waldemar avenue and McClellan Highway, East Boston, caused by blocking of sewer.

John J. Sersanti, for compensation for damage to property at 15 Frederika street, Dorchester, caused by overflow of sewer.

John T. Shaughnessey, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect in Emmonsdale road.

Gerald G. Sullivan, for compensation for damage to car by city wagon.

William F. Sullivan, for compensation for damage to property at 1772 Columbia road, South Boston, caused by overflow of sewer.

Frances G. Taylor, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Ashley B. Thomas, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Jack Volo, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Peter F. Weiss, for compensation for damage to watch at City Hospital.

Stanley S. White, for compensation for damage to property caused by city-owned motor vehicle.

Licenses.

Petition of Eastern Massachusetts Street Railway Company for license to operate motor vehicles on East Boston streets to Day square, MTA Station.

Petition of S. A. Woods Machine Company, Rifle and Pistol Club, Inc., for license of a gun club to discharge firearms at 27 Damrell street, Boston.

SIDEWALK ON WOODARD ROAD, WARD 20.

Coun. WHITE offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works make a sidewalk along Woodard road (both sides), from Park street to West Roxbury Parkway, Ward 20, in front of the estates bordering thereon; said sidewalk to be from 3 to 10 inches above the gutter adjoining, to be from 5 to 12 feet in width, and to be built of artificial stone, with granite edgestones, under the provisions of chapter 203 of the Acts of 1943, as amended.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

SIDEWALK ON JOHNSON STREET, WARD 20.

Coun. WHITE offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works make a sidewalk along Johnson street, Ward 20, from No. 85 Baker street to 395 feet northeasterly, thence approximately 160 feet northwesterly to dead end; also from No. 56 Johnson street to approximately 390 feet southeasterly in front of the estates bordering thereon, said sidewalk to be from 3 to 10 inches above the gutter adjoining, to be from 5 to 12 feet in width, and to be built of artificial stone, with granite edgestones, under the provisions of chapter 203 of the Acts of 1943, as amended.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

ACCEPTANCE OF EMPIRE STREET, ALLSTON.

Coun. AHEARN, for Councillor Ward, offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept and lay out Empire street, Allston, as a public way.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

RESURFACING BERNARD STREET, DORCHESTER.

Coun. AHEARN, for Councillor Ward, offered the following:

Ordered, That the Street Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to repave and resurface Bernard street, Dorchester, Ward 14.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMISSION ON POLICE SALARY INCREASES.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Finance Commission, August 18, 1952.
To the Honorable the Mayor and City Council,
Gentlemen:

There is now on the docket of the City Council a motion to accept chapter 586 of the Acts of the 1952 Massachusetts Legislature which provides increases in the salaries of the uniformed force of the Boston Police Department. Acceptance by the city government is a condition precedent to the operation of the act.

The acceptance of this act will mean an increase of approximately \$1,000,000 in the payroll requirements of the Police Department alone. Inasmuch as traditionally in Boston "as go the police, so must the firemen," acceptance would be a forerunner to \$1,000,000 increase in the payroll requirements of the Fire Department. In fact, it is safe to expect that if this act is accepted, there will be demand for further increases all along the line in municipal departments, which would result in another boost of payroll figures amounting to several million dollars.

As in all such instances where increases of salaries of a particular group is involved, the question naturally raised is "How do present salaries compare with salaries for similar positions elsewhere?" This is particularly pertinent in this instance because when this act was being considered in the Legislature, the aim of its supporters was principally to provide Boston policemen a salary rate similar to that paid policemen in the Metropolitan District Commission service and elsewhere.

The act enacted by the Legislature does not compel you to give a specific increase in pay to the police or, in fact, any increase at all. Though it appears to fix a new level of salaries for the entire uniformed force, it contains this final section: "This act shall take full effect upon its acceptance by vote of the city council of said city, subject to the provisions of its charter, but not otherwise." The most that is accomplished by the act, if accepted, is the giving of a power, temporarily, to the City Council which, for decades, has been held by the Police Commissioner. If the Mayor and Council want to give the particular rates specified, acceptance of this act by the Council and subsequent approval of acceptance by the Mayor order those rates. The Police Commissioner does not come into the picture at all; but, thereafter, under an earlier law, the authority to fix the rates of pay of policemen goes back to the Mayor and Police Commissioner jointly. The particular point to remember is that even if the Council or the Mayor declines to act favorably on the bill, there is still authority in the Mayor and Police Commissioner to give such increases in pay to police officers as they agree are warranted.

In reaching a decision in this matter, whether the salaries are fixed by the City Council and Mayor, or, as formerly, by the Police Commissioner and Mayor, merely the number of dollars a police officer shall be paid is not the only matter to be considered. Obviously, a corollary to the pay question is the conditions of employment, particularly with respect to the number of working hours.

The Finance Commission has collected pertinent information in regard to salaries and working conditions of police by canvass of the administrative authorities of the leading cities of the country and by examination of data in

the 1952 edition of the Municipal Year Book. It has found that in almost every one of these other cities the question of how much policemen should be paid has been a recent problem. This information makes up into a comparison which you should study carefully before taking a decision on whether or not to accept the act.

It does not necessarily follow that the highest rate paid in any city should be the rate paid in all cities. The problem is not exactly the same in all cities; and it is regarded as quite different in the larger group of cities particularly. In making an intercity comparison, as in making any comparison, a common basis is necessary. Obviously, Boston, with a population of about 800,000, should not be placed on the same level with New York which has a population of almost 8,000,000. In most studies which have been made of this problem, it has been argued with merit that the police problems are more intensified in the multimillion population cities than in cities of less population. Accordingly, it is fair to take into consideration the current practice with regard to policemen's pay in the cities nearest the Boston population level. These are:

Baltimore (949,708), Cleveland (914,808).
 St. Louis (856,796), Washington (802,178),
 Boston (801,000), San Francisco (775,357).
 Pittsburgh (676,806), Milwaukee (637,392).

The first comparison offered is of the present salary rates of patrolmen in the eight comparable cities. To these are added the rates paid to the local Metropolitan District Commission patrolmen because, as has been said previously, the aim of the advocates for the increases for the city policemen was principally to make their rates similar to the Metropolitan police rates.

TABLE I

CITY	PATROLMEN		Number of Years to Reach Maximum
	Minimum	Maximum	
Baltimore.....	\$3,300	\$3,820	3
Boston.....	3,500	3,800	3
St. Louis.....	3,480	3,840	4
Pittsburgh.....	3,000	4,139	4
Washington, D. C.....	3,410	4,160	6
San Francisco.....	3,480	4,080	4
Milwaukee.....	3,948	4,308	4
Cleveland.....	3,210	4,452	5
Metropolitan District (Boston).....	3,540	4,140	11

Analysis of the foregoing statistics reveals that the minimum police salary in Boston at the present time (before application of the proposed rates) is \$96 above the average of the seven other comparable cities, though less than the Metropolitan police rates. To give Boston policemen the same minimum rate as that given to the Metropolitan police, the \$340 increase involved will fix the minimum \$436 above the average of the seven other comparable cities.

It should be noted that the minimum rate for patrolmen in Boston now is only \$40 per year less than the Metropolitan police minimum; and while the Boston maximum is \$340 less than the Metropolitan police maximum, it takes 11 years for a Metropolitan policeman to reach that maximum. A Boston policeman now reaches his maximum in three years, and under the terms of the act before you a Boston policeman would reach his maximum (the same maximum as a Metropolitan policeman) in three years. This means that actually a

Boston policeman in the second to twelfth year in service would be paid a higher rate than his Metropolitan police brethren.

It is also noteworthy that in only one other of the comparable cities (Baltimore), a policeman reaches his maximum in as few as three years. In fact, in the five larger cities which have been excluded from this comparison for the reasons given above (New York, Chicago, Los Angeles, Philadelphia, and Detroit), only one (Chicago) moves a policeman from minimum to maximum in three years. In the others it takes four or five years to attain the maximum grade.

Pay for policemen must be considered in the light of the hours of labor. Obviously, pay for a one-hour day is not to be considered in almost any calling with pay for an eight-hour day. How long do Boston policemen work is, therefore, important. Hence, Table II, showing a comparison of work time in comparable cities and for the Metropolitan District police work, is significant.

ANNUAL SALARY
Comparison of Metropolitan District Police and Boston Police
at Present and Proposed by Chapter 586, Acts of 1952

RANK	Minimum	Second Year	Third Year	Fourth Through Seventh Year	Eighth Through Eleventh Year	Maximum from Twelfth Year	
Patrolman.....	\$3,540 3,500 3,840	\$3,660 3,600 3,940	\$3,780 3,800 4,140	\$3,900 3,800 4,140	\$4,020 3,800 4,140	\$4,140 3,800 4,140	Metropolitan District Commission Police Boston Police — At Present Boston Police — Proposed by Chapter 586
Sergeant.....	3,960 4,440 4,860	4,140 4,440 4,860	4,320 4,440 4,860	4,500 4,440 4,860	4,680 4,440 4,860	4,860 4,440 4,860	Metropolitan District Commission Police Boston Police — At Present Boston Police — Proposed by Chapter 586
Lieutenant.....	4,500 4,980 5,400	4,680 4,980 5,400	4,860 4,980 5,400	5,040 4,980 5,400	5,220 4,980 5,400	5,400 4,980 5,400	Metropolitan District Commission Police Boston Police — At Present Boston Police — Proposed by Chapter 586
Captain.....	5,220 6,000 6,420	5,460 6,000 6,420	5,700 6,000 6,420	5,940 6,000 6,420	6,180 6,000 6,420	6,420 6,000 6,420	Metropolitan District Commission Police Boston Police — At Present Boston Police — Proposed by Chapter 586
Deputy Superintendent.....	5,700 6,300 6,720	5,940 6,300 6,720	6,180 6,300 6,720	6,420 6,300 6,720	6,660 6,300 6,720	6,900 6,300 6,720	Metropolitan District Commission Police Boston Police — At Present Boston Police — Proposed by Chapter 586
Superintendent.....	6,180 9,500 9,920	6,480 9,500 9,920	6,780 9,500 9,920	7,080 9,500 9,920	7,380 9,500 9,920	7,680 9,500 9,920	Metropolitan District Commission Police Boston Police — At Present Boston Police — Proposed by Chapter 586

Metropolitan District Commissioner — If man is at maximum of grade when promoted to next higher grade, his salary in new grade begins at the amount nearest his present salary plus the increment of the new grade.

Referred to the Committee on Ordinances.

TABLE II

City	Work Hours Per Week	Number of Days Sick Leave	Number of Days Vacation
Baltimore.....	56	‡	50
Boston.....	45 Day 35 Night	15	20*
St. Louis.....	56		14
Pittsburgh.....	48	14	14
Washington, D. C.....	40	30	13
San Francisco.....	40	14	15
Milwaukee.....	44	15	14
Cleveland.....	40	15	18
Metropolitan District.....	40	15	20†

* After 20 years service
 † After 10 years service
 ‡ No formal policy

Analysis of this table reveals that Boston policemen work about the average number of hours of policemen in the cities of the group. In most of the cities of higher pay scale the number of hours is about the same. None work less hours than Boston, a few work more hours. In Baltimore and St. Louis, where the hours worked are 56 as compared with Boston's 45 for day men and 35 for night men, the pay is about the same.

For sick leave Boston is similar to all the others except Washington, D. C., where sick leave is twice the number of days as in Boston. However, the attitude of the administrative heads of police departments with respect to sickness varies as the degree and cause of sickness varies. The unquestioned right of policemen to a specific number of days may not prove to be the maximum number of days off for sickness in all cases. Therefore, that comparison has only a face value.

In its survey of the Police Department in 1949, the specialist retained by the Finance Commission stated:

"Boston police are neither underpaid nor overpaid." Since that was written there have been many changes in the situation here as elsewhere. Fundamentally, however, the relation of Boston to the other cities remains approximately the same today. In comparison with cities of its size, it may still be said that "Boston police are neither underpaid nor overpaid."

If, on the other hand, comparison is confined to Boston and the Metropolitan District police, it should be kept in mind that while the Metropolitan police have a higher maximum, it requires a much longer time for Metropolitan policemen to reach their maximum than it takes the Boston policemen.

CONCLUSION.

The pay scale of the Metropolitan police has been created by the Massachusetts Legislature. By many this is considered to be the standard set by the Legislature; but it is for their own employees. In fairness to Boston, Boston's government should have the right enjoyed by all other Massachusetts municipalities to fix its own police pay scale. Whether it is done by the Mayor and Council or by the Mayor and Police Commissioner is not of great importance. Either way, it is in conformance with the Home Rule principle.

Both the Mayor and the Council are the chosen representatives of the people. Both have to answer to the people for excess, or lack, of generosity. It should be possible for the Mayor and Council, in conference and with the help of the Police Commissioner, to determine amicably and with justice to all (which includes, of course, the taxpayers) the pay scale of the police. By the terms of the act adopted, the Legislature has given Boston an alternative to the particular scale specified.

In effect, that alternative is to reject the act and determine the question for itself.

The Finance Commission, therefore, recommends that the act be not accepted.

If the Mayor and Council are agreed that the Boston police should be paid approximately the same scale of wages that is paid the Metropolitan police, the scale adopted should recognize the length of time which is required of Metropolitan police to reach their maximum. The Boston police can be given an increase in pay at a much lower annual cost than the million dollar figure frequently quoted as the cost of the increase contained in chapter 586 of the Acts of 1952.

With respect to the salaries of the higher officers of the Police Department, the same considerations apply.

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

The Finance Commission.

ROBERT E. CUNNIFF,
 Secretary.

HEARINGS BEFORE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing, to be held at its hearing room on September 15, 1952, at 2.15 o'clock P.M., on reopening for rehearing on joint petition of Boston Consolidated Gas Company and Old Colony Gas Company for approval of merger and issuance of stock.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing, to be held at its hearing room on September 3, 1952, at 10 o'clock A.M., on petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority for license to operate motor vehicles for the purpose of carrying passengers for hire over Tremont and Washington streets, Brighton.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing, to be held at its hearing room on September 3, 1952, at 10 o'clock A.M., on petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority for license to operate motor vehicles for the purpose of carrying passengers for hire over Washington street, West Roxbury.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing, to be held at its hearing room on September 3, 1952, at 10 o'clock A.M., on petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority for license to operate motor vehicles for the purpose of carrying passengers for hire over Washington street and through Forest Hills Station, West Roxbury.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing, to be held at its hearing room on September 4, 1952, at 10 o'clock A.M., on petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority to erect a pole on Burnett street, at Washington street, West Roxbury.

Severally referred to the Committee on Licenses.

PLAYGROUND FACILITIES AT
COMMONWEALTH HOUSING PROJECT.

Coun. AHEARN, for Councillor Ward, offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request the Boston Housing Authority to install playground facilities at the Commonwealth Housing Project in Brighton.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

CHAIN ACROSS REAR AREA OF
COMMONWEALTH HOUSING PROJECT.

Coun. AHEARN, for Councillor Ward, offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request the Boston Housing Authority to consider the advisability of placing a suspended chain across the rear area of the Commonwealth Housing Project in Brighton during certain hours of the day in order that the life and limb of children will not be jeopardized by a heavy flow of traffic.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

ACCEPTANCE OF PRESENTATION ROAD,
BRIGHTON.

Coun. AHEARN, for Councillor Ward, offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request the Public Works Commissioner to accept and lay out as a public highway Presentation road in Brighton, 200 feet from Bellamy street.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS AT ARMANDINE AND
WASHINGTON STREETS, DORCHESTER.

Coun. JOYCE offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to survey the area of Armandine street and Washington street, Dorchester, with the view to arranging for the installation of traffic signal lights at this location for the safety of pedestrian and motor traffic alike.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

NEW SIDEWALKS ON HEMMAN STREET,
WEST ROXBURY.

Coun. JOYCE and HAILER offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install new sidewalks along both sides of Hemman street, West Roxbury.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS AT DORCHESTER AND
EIGHTH STREETS, SOUTH BOSTON.

Coun. JOYCE, KERRIGAN and FOLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to

consider the advisability of placing traffic signal lights at Dorchester street and Eighth street, South Boston.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

SIDEWALK ON GALLIVAN BOULEVARD,
WARD 17.

Coun. JOYCE offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works make a sidewalk along Gallivan Boulevard, Nos. 105 to 121, Ward 17, in front of the estates bordering thereon; said sidewalk to be from 3 to 10 inches above the gutter adjoining, to be from 5 to 12 feet in width, and to be built of artificial stone, with granite edgestones, under the provisions of chapter 203 of the Acts of 1943, as amended.

Referred to the Committee on Public Services and Recreation.

SIDEWALK ON POPLAR STREET,
WARD 18.

Coun. JOYCE offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works make a sidewalk along Poplar street (both sides), from Beech street to 395 West street, Ward 18, in front of the estates bordering thereon; said sidewalk to be from 3 to 10 inches above the gutter adjoining, to be from 5 to 12 feet in width, and to be built of artificial stone, with granite edgestones, under the provisions of chapter 203 of the Acts of 1943, as amended.

Referred to the Committee on Public Services and Recreation.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF
LIBERATO J. DISTEFANO.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:

Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend naming the square at the intersection of Michelangelo and Charter streets in honor of Pfc. Liberato J. DiStefano, who was killed in action on December 18, 1945.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

ACCOUNTS OF VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:

Ordered, That until otherwise ordered the City Clerk be authorized to have printed from time to time as City Documents, summaries of the essential features of the Reports of Audits of Various City Departments made by the Division of Accounts of the Department of Corporations and Taxation; the expense of same to be charged to the appropriation for City Documents.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF
ANTHONY V. DESIMONE.

Coun. PIEMONTE 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 Salem and Hull streets, Boston, in honor of Lieut. Anthony V. DeSimone.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

DEATH OF LOUIS DISESSA.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:

Ordered, That chapter 493 of the Acts of 1952, entitled "An Act Providing That a Certain Physical Condition Resulting in Death Shall Be Presumed to Have Been Suffered in Line of Duty Shall Be Applicable in the Case of Louis DiSessa, a Former Police Officer of the City of Boston," be, and hereby is, accepted.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

OPERATION OF SOUND TRUCKS.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:

Ordered, That the Corporation Counsel be requested to prepare an ordinance regulating the operation of sound trucks so as to prohibit the use of said trucks in residential areas after 7 P.M.; and further

Ordered, That a copy of the proposed ordinance shall be forwarded to the City Council. Referred to the Executive Committee.

REVISING OPERATING TIME OF PARKING METERS.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested to study and consider the advisability of amending the regulation governing the operation of parking meters, so that their operation shall expire at 5 P.M. instead of 6 P.M.; and further

Ordered, That the Traffic Commission advise the Council of their determination on this order.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

ACCEPTANCE OF GROVER STREET, ROSLINDALE.

Coun. HAILER offered the following:

Ordered, That, through his Honor the Mayor Grover street in the Roslindale area be accepted and laid out as a public way by the Board of Street Commissioners.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

REPORT ON SPORT FISHING FROM LONG ISLAND VIADUCT.

Coun. FOLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That a temporary subcommittee of the Board of Recreation be formed, composed of the fish and game editors of each of the Boston daily newspapers; that an opportunity be afforded each member of this committee to fish from the Long Island Viaduct during the period of two months from the date of this order; that at that time the said subcommittee be requested to report to the Board of Recreation; that the Board of Recreation then forward to the City Council the report of the subcommittee with such comment as it sees fit to make.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFIRMATIONS.

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

Report on appointment by the Mayor (referred August 4) of John S. Yeisley as weigher of coal, for term ending April 30, 1953—recommending that appointment be confirmed.

The report was accepted, and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councillors Joyce and White. Whole number of ballots 8, yeas 8, and the appointment was confirmed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS.

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

Report on petition of Mary V. Murphy (referred June 2) to be paid an annuity on account of death of her husband, John C. Murphy, late member of 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 fifteen hundred dollars be allowed and paid to Mary V. Murphy, widow of John C. Murphy, a member of the Fire Department, who died on May 18, 1952, 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.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LICENSES.

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

1. Report on petition of Airways Transportation Company (referred June 30) to amend previous license, to operate between Hotel Lenox, Hotel Bradford, Hotel Manger, and airport—that license be granted.

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

2. Report on notice of hearing before State Department of Public Utilities (referred June 5) on joint petition of Plymouth and Brockton Street Railway Company and South Shore Coach Lines, Inc., for approval to operate in Boston and elsewhere—that notice be placed on file.

The report was accepted, and the notice was placed on file.

Coun. WHITE in the chair.

APPOINTMENT OF ANNUAL LIST OF CONSTABLES.

On motion of Councillor Piemonte, No. 3 on the Calendar was taken from the table, viz.:

3. Annual list of appointments by the Mayor of constables not authorized to serve civil process and to serve without bond.

In connection with the foregoing, Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following order:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to withdraw the annual list of appointments of constables not authorized to serve civil process and to serve without bond, and to submit at the next meeting of the Council in place thereof a list of not more than fifteen (15) to be selected from the present list and in the order of length of service to the City of Boston.

Coun. PIEMONTE moved to suspend the rules. The motion was lost (6 votes being necessary to suspend the rules):

Yeas—Councillors Ahearn, Foley, Joyce, Piemonte, White—5.

Nays—Councillors Hailer, Hurley, Kerrigan—3.

The order and the annual list of appointments were assigned to the next meeting as unfinished business.

PENSION TO JOHN F. CULLINAN.

Coun. JOYCE offered the following:

Ordered, That chapter 478 of the Acts of 1952, entitled "An Act Authorizing the City of Boston to Pension John F. Cullinan, a

Sergeant Detective in the Police Department of Said City," be, and hereby is, accepted.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

ADDITIONAL GOLD STAR IN HONOR OF
THOMAS CANAVAN.

Coun. KERRIGAN offered the following:
Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to add a third gold star to the sign designating Canavan Square, in honor of Thomas Canavan, a veteran and member of Firefighters' Post No. 94, who died recently.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

THE NEXT MEETING.

On motion of Councillor Joyce the Council voted that when it adjourn it be to meet on Monday, September 8, 1952, at 2 P.M.

LOAN FOR CONSTRUCTION OF
BRIDGES, ETC.

Coun. HURLEY called up No. 1 on the Calendar, viz.:

1. Order for loan of \$1,000,000 for construction of bridges, etc.

On June 12, 1952, the foregoing order was read once and passed, yeas 7, nays 0.

The order was given its second reading and passage, yeas 8, nays 0:

Yeas—Councillors Ahearn, Foley, Hailer, Hurley, Joyce, Kerrigan, Piemonte, White—8.
Nays—0.

Adjourned at 4 P.M., on motion of Councillor Hurley, to meet on Monday, September 8, 1952, 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 8, 1952.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 p.m., President PIERMONTE in the chair. Absent, Councillor Ward.

Rabbi Abraham Koolyk of Temple Bethel, Dorchester, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY RABBI
ABRAHAM KOOLYK.

Almighty God, Father of all men, we would not weary Thee this day in asking again for the previous gifts Thou dost graciously grant unto man. Today we pray that Thou take something from us.

Take out of our hearts, O God, the bitterness and resentment which curdles and corrodes our peace and love. Take away the stubborn pride which prevents us from understanding one another. Subdue the selfish ambition and lust for power which makes us rise in unworthy conflict with our fellow men. Silence that inner voice of personal greed which does not permit us to hear the call of our brother.

Illuminate our minds and kindle our hearts with the light and warmth of Thy Holy Spirit so that all those who sincerely seek truth may find it, and finding it may follow it, knowing that it is truth that makes man free.

Where we are wrong help us to change, and where we are right inspire us to radiate the light of truth to others.

Make us champions and heralds of Thy kingdom, the kingdom of brotherhood and peace, wherein one man does not prefer another because of his faith or despise him because of his color; wherein all men may sit under their vines and under the fig trees and none shall make them afraid.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

JURORS DRAWN.

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

Thirty-five traverse jurors, Superior Criminal Court, to appear October 6, 1952:

Anthony Bertino, Ward 1; Gaetano DiGirolamo, Ward 1; Anthony DiPerri, Ward 1; John J. Rauseo, Ward 1; William F. Stevens, Ward 2; Marguerite F. Sweeney, Ward 2; Romeo Papa, Ward 3; Allan J. Lynch, Ward 4; Edward P. Finn, Ward 6; James Hartel, Ward 6; Edward Kennealey, Ward 6; Catherine M. Lynch, Ward 6; Ralph P. Nee, Ward 6; Stephen J. Bray, Ward 7; William J. Duncan, Ward 7; Edward Harding, Ward 8; Elias Pareou, Ward 8; Ernest E. Pilote, Ward 8; Levy Dunham, Ward 9.

Kathryn A. Hanbury, Ward 10; Nathan Baker, Ward 12; Frederick A. Allen, Ward 13; Albert C. Kral, Ward 13; Joseph J. Nemcskal, Ward 13; Hyman Alperin, Ward 14; Margaret A. Burke, Ward 14; John Fronte, Ward 15; Margaret C. Kane, Ward 16; John G. Gould, Ward 17; John J. Barty, Ward 20; Ernest E. Bradhury, Ward 20. Philip A. Leon, Ward 20; Kenneth J. Hynes, Ward 21; Norman F. Phocney, Ward 21; Nathan Siegel, Ward 21.

One hundred thirty traverse jurors, Superior Civil Court, to appear October 6, 1952:

Cirio Baldini, Ward 1; Josephine DeLauroie, Ward 1; Charles Dunn, Ward 1; Antonio B. Ferrara, Ward 1; Edward H. Keane, Ward 1; Frank P. Lena, Ward 1; John McKinnon, Ward 1; William McRae, Ward 1; Gerald F. Moynihan, Ward 1; Clement B. Nesbitt, Ward 1; Charles Nicosia, Ward 1; Peter A. Rich, Ward 1; Benedict Salamone, Ward 1; Joseph Tollo, Ward 1; Pasquale Troceno, Ward 1; James Vassallo, Ward 1; Anthony L. Buonopane, Ward 2; Frank J. Connell, Ward 2; Irene M. Melville, Ward 2;

Lester R. Wall, Ward 2; Earl P. Wood, Ward 2; Edmund Cavagnaro, Ward 3; William E. Duffy, Ward 3; William Popiano, Ward 3; Myron Goodman, Ward 3; Michael Lopilato, Ward 3; Louis J. Molinari, Ward 3; John M. Polcari, Ward 3; Frank N. Steigleder, Ward 3; Patrick M. Brown, Ward 4; Marion L. Cooke, Ward 4; John J. Corbett, Ward 4; Igor S. Coro, Ward 4; Samuel L. Dance, Ward 4; Henry A. Gallagher, Ward 4; Elson H. Kilpatrick, Ward 4; Theodore King, Ward 4; Gareth P. Kincaid, Ward 4; Simon Lovett, Ward 4; Louis Donald McKay, Ward 4; M. Lawrence Mitchell, Ward 4; Carrie Pells, Ward 4.

J. Marie Boning, Ward 5; James E. Coakley, Ward 5; Emile J. Couture, Ward 5; John D. Evans, Ward 5; George H. Pyne, Ward 5; John J. Ross, Ward 5; John M. Small, Ward 5; William A. Vieira, Ward 5; Frederick R. Whitecomb, Ward 5; Joseph F. Burt, Ward 6; David N. Ferriek, Ward 6; Charles M. Keith, Ward 6; John S. Kelley, Ward 6; Michael McDonough, Ward 6; James F. McLaughlin, Ward 6; James F. Riley, Ward 6; John R. Burns, Ward 7; Thomas L. Collins, Ward 7; Leo P. Dauwer, Ward 7; Daniel J. Moynihan, Ward 7; Walter Nolan, Ward 7; Melvin T. Scarry, Ward 7; Doris L. Shortell, Ward 7; John Goodwin, Ward 8; James McEachern, Ward 8; Leslie G. Richmond, Ward 8; Michael Doherty, Ward 9; James M. Harris, Ward 9.

Thomas B. Brehm, Ward 10; Mary M. Knadler, Ward 10; Patrick E. McArdle, Ward 10; Thomas A. Slynnon, Ward 10; Andrew F. Madden, Ward 11; Margaret M. McRae, Ward 11; William A. O'Neill, Ward 11; John P. Ryan, Ward 11; Hillar R. Shepard, Ward 11; Daniel L. Sullivan, Ward 11; Richard M. Tobin, Ward 11; Ernest M. Abbott, Ward 12; Elmer C. Bartlett, Ward 12; Michael Moses, Ward 12; Joseph Witty, Ward 12; Patrick T. Bulder, Ward 13; Ruth E. McBride, Ward 13; Edgar J. McEachern, Ward 13; Harry Vernon Waugh, Ward 13; David C. Gordon, Ward 14; John J. Tobin, Ward 14; Joseph B. Brown, Ward 15; William A. Haley, Ward 15; Ann Henry, Ward 15; Ruth T. Killion, Ward 15; Patrick Mahon, Ward 15; John J. O'Brien, Ward 15; Edward Sutherland, Ward 15; Henry A. Kautto, Ward 16; Albert D. Miller, Ward 16; William J. Sharkey, Ward 16; Russell Taylor, Ward 16.

Louis Clayman, Ward 17; Helen M. Healy, Ward 17; Patrick J. McNamara, Ward 17; Elizabeth H. Bates, Ward 18; John F. Kelley, Ward 18; Olive M. Martini, Ward 18; Luigi Ricci, Ward 18; John J. Scully, Ward 18; Charles D. Sloan, Ward 18; Edward A. Wessling, Ward 18; Frank E. Gillespie, Ward 19; Joseph C. Edwards, Ward 19; Anne Marie Cudman, Ward 19; James P. Walsh, Ward 19; Henry J. Welz, Ward 19; Ralph Carmano, Ward 20; James F. Harrison, Ward 20; George W. Howe, Ward 20; Carl H. Miller, Ward 20; Alicia M. Rogers, Ward 20; Catherine Spillane, Ward 20; Edward J. Dowd, Ward 21; Claire Novak, Ward 21; George S. Burke, Ward 22; Lawrence A. Cuddy, Ward 22; Ronald R. Gibson, Ward 22; Frank C. Hobart, Ward 22; William J. Sakowich, Ward 22.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR.

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

Constable with authority to serve civil process upon filing of bond, for the term ending April 30, 1953: Frank Zuccaro, 75 Cottage street, East Boston.

Referred to Committee on Confirmations.

ACCEPTANCE OF PRESENTATION ROAD,
BRIGHTON.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 4, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of the Public Works Department, relative to your order of August 25, 1952, concerning the request to accept and lay out as a public way Presentation road in Brighton, 200 feet from Bellamy street.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
August 29, 1952.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

This is in reference to the following order that was passed in the City Council under date of August 25:

"Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request the Public Works Commissioner to accept and lay out as a public highway Presentation road in Brighton, 200 feet from Bellamy street."

The acceptance and laying out of streets as public highways comes under the jurisdiction of the Board of Street Commissioners, and I suggest, therefore, that you refer this matter to Commissioner Scally.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

ACCEPTANCE OF GROVER STREET, ROSLINDALE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 4, 1952.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Chairman of the Board of Street Commissioners, relative to your order of August 25, 1952, concerning the request to accept and lay out as a public way Grover street in the Roslindale area.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Board of Street Commissioners,
August 29, 1952.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the following City Council order:

"Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners he requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept and lay out as a public way Grover street in the Roslindale area."

A public hearing on the proposed laying out and construction of Grover street has been scheduled for Wednesday, September 3, 1952, at 11 A.M., at the office of this Board.

Very truly yours,
GERALD F. SCALLY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

ACCEPTANCE OF EMPIRE STREET, ALLSTON.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 4, 1952.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Chairman of the Board of Street Commissioners, concerning the request to accept and lay out Empire street, Allston, as a public way.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Board of Street Commissioners,
August 29, 1952.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the following City Council order:

"Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept and lay out Empire street, Allston, as a public way."

The survey and plan for the laying out of Empire street is now being completed. As soon as this is done, a public hearing will be scheduled. This should be no later than October 15, 1952.

Very truly yours,
GERALD F. SCALLY, Chairman.

Placed on file.

NEW SIDEWALKS ON HEMMAN STREET, WEST ROXBURY.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 5, 1952.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works, relative to your order of August 25, 1952, concerning the request for the installation of new sidewalks along both sides of Hemman street, West Roxbury.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
August 29, 1952.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

This is in reference to the following order that was passed in the City Council under date of August 25:

"Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works he requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install new sidewalks along both sides of Hemman street, West Roxbury."

A survey of the above-referenced street will be made, and consideration will be given to providing for the construction of new sidewalks in the 1953 sidewalk construction program.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

ADDITIONAL GOLD STAR IN HONOR OF THOMAS CANAVAN.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 5, 1952.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works, relative to your order of August 25, 1952, concerning the request that a third gold star be added to the sign designating Canavan Square, in honor of Thomas Canavan, a veteran and member of Firefighters' Post No. 94, who died recently.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
August 29, 1952.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

This is in reference to the following order that was passed in the City Council under date of August 25:

"Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works he requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to add a third gold star to the sign designating Canavan Square, in honor of Thomas Canavan, a veteran and member of Firefighter's Post No. 94, who died recently."

Immediate steps will be taken to comply with the provisions of the above-referenced order.

Very truly yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS AT ARMANDINE AND WASHINGTON STREETS, DORCHESTER.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 5, 1952.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner, relative to your order of August 25, 1952, concerning the request that a survey of the area of Armandine and Washington streets, Dorchester, be made with a view to arranging for the installation of traffic signal lights at this location.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
September 3, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Dear Mr. Mayor:

With reference to the City Council order of August 25, 1952, requesting that the Traffic Commission survey the area of Armandine and Washington streets, Dorchester, with a view to arranging for the installation of traffic signal lights at this location, I wish to report that Armandine street forms a "T" intersection at Washington street and since it is not a through street it would normally not be eligible for traffic light installation.

It appears from the records that there are still 50 or 100 major intersections in the city which are now without signal lights that should be given prior consideration to this one, which would benefit a relatively small number of persons.

Respectfully yours,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS AT DORCHESTER AND EIGHTH STREETS, SOUTH BOSTON.

The following was received:
City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 5, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of the Boston Traffic Commission, relative to your order of August 25, 1952, concerning the request to consider the advisability of placing traffic lights at Dorchester street and Eighth street, South Boston.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission.
September 3, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.
Dear Mr. Mayor:

With reference to the City Council order of August 25, 1952, requesting the Traffic Commission to consider the advisability of placing traffic signal lights at Dorchester street and Eighth street, South Boston, I wish to report that consideration will be given to this proposed installation.

There is a left-turn movement by buses at this point, and this, plus other factors, indicates that there is merit in the proposal. However, we cannot definitely promise to go forward with this work until such time as an appropriation is made to us for signal light installations for the year 1953.

Our 1952 appropriation was long ago committed to other projects.

Respectfully yours,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

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EXPRESSION OF THANKS FROM MAYOR OF ATHENS, GREECE.

The following was received:
City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, August 27, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

A few months ago we had the pleasure of entertaining in Boston the Mayor of the great city of Athens, Greece. The Mayor was a very distinguished gentleman and enjoyed, I am sure, his brief stay in the City of Boston. We enjoyed having him here. He has sent me a communication in which he expresses his gratefulness to our city and to the City Council. I am forwarding this communication to your Body for your consideration.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

THE MAYOR OF ATHENS.
Athens, 18 August 1952.

My Dear Mayor,
On my return to my City, I would like to express my warmest thanks for the most honoring reception reserved to me in your beautiful City,

as well as for your kind attention to me in the course of my stay there.

My impressions will never be forgotten. In my report to the Municipal Council, as well as in those to our competent Ministries, I thought it my duty to make special mention of your personal feelings to the Mayor of Athenians, also of your citizens' feelings which are at the same time the feelings of the American people for my Country and the Greek people.

I would like to request you, my Dear Mayor, to kindly transmit to the Honorable Members of your Council and to the Directors of your Services the best thanks of Athens Municipality.

I would also like to add that the City of Athens will be very happy to welcome you, should we be honored with your visit.

Sincerely yours,
C. NICOLOPOULOS.

Mayor
John B. Hynes
Boston, Mass.

Placed on file.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

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

Claims.

Tracy H. Brown, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Mary Carney, for compensation for damage to property at 28 Ely road, Dorchester, caused by water in cellar.

Robert Q. Crane, for compensation for injuries caused by fire apparatus.

James J. Donovan, for compensation for damage to property at 61 Grampian Way, Dorchester, during laying of water main.

Michael C. Driscoll, for compensation for damage to property at 40 Ely road, Dorchester, caused by overflow of sewer.

Paul Firestone, for compensation for damage to property caused by car of Public Works Department.

Simon J. Forrest, for compensation for damage to property at 32 Ely road, Dorchester, caused by backing up of sewage.

Thomas P. Geoghegan, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Public Works Department.

Louis Hailer, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at Harvard street and Commonwealth avenue.

Arthur H. Hansen, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

James L. Hefferon, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

James J. Hooley, for compensation for damage to property by city truck.

Joseph C. Kelley, for compensation for broken eyeglasses while in performance of duty as employee of Park Department.

Michael Knapeck *et al.*, for compensation for injuries and damage to car caused by an alleged defect at 1259 Columbus avenue.

Helen LeBombard, for compensation for damage to car by city car.

William H. Lynch, for compensation for damage to property at 76 G street, South Boston, during tree conservation work.

Alic L. McKurdy, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at Washington and Winter streets.

Edward Meaders, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 16 East Brookline street.

William H. and Ethel D. Mogan, for compensation for damage to property at 112 Bayswater street, East Boston, caused by bursting water main.

Charles Panagacos, for compensation for damage to property at 3 Wheeler street, caused by fire apparatus.

Geraldine Quinn, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at Symmes and Walter streets.

Geraldine Quinn, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 17 Poplar street.

Daniel J. Sheelian, for compensation for damage to property at 20 Ely road, caused by overflow of sewer.

PETITIONS FOR ANNUITIES.

Petition of Margaret M. Donnellon to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, Andrew P. Donnellon, late member of Police Department.

Petition of Esther G. Lynch to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, John J. Lynch, late member of Fire Department.

Petition of Margaret A. Spear to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, Daniel B. Spear, late member of Police Department.

Severally referred to the Committee on Claims.

PETITIONS FOR INDEMNIFICATION.

Petition of Carl F. Cuqua, employee of the Boston Fire Department, for indemnification for hospital, surgical, medical, and nursing expenses.

Petition of Bartholomew F. Clements, employee of the Boston Fire Department, for indemnification for hospital, surgical, medical, and nursing expenses.

Petition of Robert F. Barry, employee of the Boston Fire Department, for indemnification for hospital, surgical, medical, and nursing expenses.

Petition of Charles A. Newell, employee of the Boston Fire Department, for indemnification for hospital, surgical, medical, and nursing expenses. Severally referred to the Committee on Claims.

APPROVAL OF CONSTABLE'S BOND.

The constable's bond of Frank Zuccaro, having been duly approved by the City Treasurer, was received and approved.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR.

Notices were received from the Mayor of appointments of members of the City Planning Board as follows:

H. Daland Chandler, architect, 199 Marlborough street, for the term ending April 30, 1954.

Edward C. Keane, engineer, 15 Houston street, West Roxbury, for the term ending April 30, 1954.

Timothy Joseph Regan, Jr., 29 Hillerof road, Jamaica Plain, for the term ending April 30, 1954.

Samuel G. Fish, 46 Commonwealth avenue, for the term ending April 30, 1956.

Louise Rala, 443 Hanover street, for the term ending April 30, 1956.

George F. Oakes, 290 Metropolitan avenue, Roslindale, for the term ending April 30, 1956.

Elisabeth M. Herlihy, 22 Hopkins road, Jamaica Plain, for the term ending April 30, 1958.

Thomas F. McDonough, City Planner, 14 Hopkins road, Jamaica Plain, for the term ending April 30, 1958.

Joseph A. Mitchell, 43 Howitt road, West Roxbury, for the term ending April 30, 1958.

Severally placed on file.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFIRMATIONS.

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

1. Report on appointments by the Mayor (referred August 25) of John J. Murphy and John A. Packard as constables with authority to serve civil process upon filing of bond, for term ending April 30, 1953—recommending that appointments be confirmed.

2. Report on appointment by the Mayor (referred August 25) of Jean F. Curry as weigher of coal, for the term ending April 30, 1953—recommending that appointment be confirmed.

The reports were accepted, and the question came on confirmations. Committee, Councillors Ahearn and Foley. Whole number of ballots 7, yeas 7, and the appointments were confirmed.

HOSPITAL TRUSTEES TO ADVISE CITY COUNCIL.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:
Ordered, That the Trustees of the Boston City Hospital be directed, through his Honor the Mayor,

to advise the Boston City Council of the steps taken, and of the action contemplated, together with the date when said action will become effective, so as to eliminate the waste and inefficiencies that have been reported as being present at the Boston City Hospital.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

CLOSING OF TUNNEL ON RAILROAD PROPERTY AT CLIFTON AND DUDLEY STREETS, ROXBURY.

Coun. JOYCE offered the following:
Ordered, That the officials of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to close the abandoned tunnel which is located on railroad property at Clifton and Dudley streets, Roxbury, for the protection of the children of that area.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

ASBESTOS COVERING ON HEATING PIPES IN HOUSING PROJECTS.

Coun. JOYCE offered the following:
Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to confer with the housing officials with the view to promptly arranging for the covering of all heating pipes in all housing projects with asbestos covering, or a similar type of insulation, for the protection of young children who are now subject to severe burns.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

ACCEPTANCE OF PRESENTATION ROAD, BRIGHTON.

Coun. AHEARN, for Councillor Ward, offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept and lay out as a public highway Presentation road in Brighton, 200 feet from Bellamy street.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

ACCEPTANCE OF PERCH AND PIKE STREETS, ROXBURY.

Coun. HURLEY, offered the following:
Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to make Perch and Pike streets, Roxbury, public highways.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

Coun. WHITE in the chair.

APPOINTMENT OF CONSTABLES TO SERVE WITHOUT BOND.

Coun. PIEMONTE called up, under unfinished business, No. 1 on the Calendar, viz.:

1. Annual list of appointments by the Mayor of constables not authorized to serve civil process and to serve without bond.

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to withdraw the annual list of appointments of constables not authorized to serve civil process and to serve without bond, and to submit at the next meeting of the Council in place thereof a list of not more than fifteen (15) to be selected from the present list and in the order of length of service to the City of Boston.

Coun. HURLEY moved that action on the order be postponed until the next meeting.

The motion was lost. Coun. HURLEY moved reconsideration of the foregoing vote. The motion to reconsider was lost.

Coun. AHEARN moved that the order be amended by striking out all the language after the word "fifteen (15)."

Coun. HURLEY moved that the order be referred to the Committee on Confirmations. The motion was lost.

The question came on the motion of Councillor Ahearn to amend the order by striking out all the language after the word "fifteen (15)." The motion was lost.

Coun. HURLEY moved to reconsider the foregoing vote. The motion to reconsider was lost.

The question came on the passage of the order. The order did not pass, yeas 3, nays 3:

Yeas—Councillors Ahearn, Piemonte, White—3.
Nays—Councillors Hailer, Hurley, Kerrigan—3.
Voting present—Councillor Foley.

RECESS.

On motion of Councillor Piemonte, the Council voted to take a recess at 4.26 P.M. The members reassembled in the Council Chamber and were called to order by Chairman WHITE at 4.50 P.M.

Coun. PIEMONTE moved to reconsider the foregoing vote. The motion to reconsider was carried.

The question then came on the passage of the order, and the order was passed, yeas 4, nays 3:

Yeas—Councillors Ahearn, Joyce, Piemonte, White—4.
Nays—Councillors Hailer, Hurley, Kerrigan—3.
Voting present—Councillor Foley.

In connection with the foregoing, Coun. FOLEY offered the following order:

Ordered, That the Corporation Counsel be requested to furnish the Boston City Council an opinion one week from today as to the legal effect of the order just passed.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

The annual list of appointments of constables was assigned to the next meeting as unfinished business.

THE NEXT MEETING.

On motion of Councillor Hurley the Council voted that when it adjourns it be to meet on Monday, September 22, 1952, at 2 P.M.

Adjourned at 4.57 P.M., on motion of Councillor Hurley, to meet on Monday, September 22, 1952, 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 22, 1952.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President PIEMONTE in the chair. Absent, Councillor Ward.

Reverend Daniel J. Golden of Saint Monica's Catholic Church, South Boston, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY REV. DANIEL J. GOLDEN.

Bless us, O Lord, we need Thy blessing. Even though at times we may seem unlike to one another, we are very much alike in the sight of God. Though we differ in our parentage, our education and our nature; though our pride teaches us at times to put emphasis upon our disagreements; may we never forget we are all children of the One Father.

May we learn to be charitable toward one another, helping the weak, confirming the strong; may we feel that to be charitable is better than to be great, is better than to be wise.

In holding to our opinions, even in debate, may we always seek the truth. In whatever we say or do never let us be unmindful of the innate dignity of our fellow man. In these days when ideas, words and deeds are flying like darts leveled at one another, may we never lose sight of the basic law of charity in dealing with our neighbor and with our God.

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 appointment:

Weigher of Goods, for the term ending April 30, 1953: Charles H. Collins, 46 Neptune road, East Boston.

Referred to the Committee on Confirmations.

APPOINTMENT OF CONSTABLES TO SERVE WITHOUT BOND.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 22, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of your request to reduce the number of constables to not more than 15. At the present time there are 35 constables employed in various departments of the city, which is 60 less than were employed prior to my first administration.

The reduction of the number of constables is under serious consideration by me and my administrative committee made up of career city employees. Under the direction of Charles J. Fox, City Auditor, this committee is studying the reorganization of all city departments as recommended by the Boston Finance Commission.

Although much of this work is being done on their own time, the committee members are making progress on their reorganization report. They advise me that the number of constables will be substantially reduced. The exact determination will be made prior to submission of the next annual budget.

Meanwhile, the 35 constables on the city payroll are earning their salaries. If they were discharged now it would force us to hire other employees to replace them. Under the reorganization plan no one will be harmed through indiscriminate firings.

Reorganization of city departments can be done only with the cooperation of the Council. I see nothing to be gained by nibbling at the corners of the program now when we are so close to tackling the job in its entirety. I, consequently, suggest that the question of the number of constables needed in the various city departments be predicated upon the recommendations of the Administrative Committee, which recommendations will be made shortly.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Placed on file.

PLAYGROUND FACILITIES AT COMMONWEALTH HOUSING PROJECT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 11, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Chairman of the Boston Housing Authority relative to your order of August 25, 1952, concerning the request for the installation of playground facilities at the Commonwealth Housing Project in Brighton.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Boston Housing Authority,
September 8, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

I am in receipt of the City Council order of August 25, 1952, requesting the installation of playground facilities at the Commonwealth Housing Project in Brighton.

The law governing construction of state-aided housing developments does not allow for any expenditures for recreational purposes.

This matter has been discussed on several occasions with representatives of the State Housing Board, without any relief for the lack of recreational facilities at the state-aided developments.

Respectfully yours,
JAMES J. MAHAR, Chairman.

Placed on file.

ACCEPTANCE OF PERCH AND PIKE STREETS, ROXBURY.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 15, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Chairman of the Street Laying-Out Department relative to your order of September 8, 1952, concerning the request to make Perch and Pike streets, Roxbury, public highways.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Board of Street Commissioners,
September 12, 1952.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the following Council order dated September 8, 1952.

"Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to make Perch and Pike streets, Roxbury, public highways."

We are now completing the necessary plans for the laying out of these streets and intend to hold a public hearing in the near future. If favorably acted upon, they can be included in our 1953 street construction program.

Very truly yours,
Gerald F. Scally, Chairman.

Placed on file.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS AT RESERVATION ROAD AND RIVER STREET, HYDE PARK.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 17, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of the Boston Traffic Commission relative to your order of July 14, 1952, concerning the request for the installation of traffic lights at the intersection of Reservation road and River street, Hyde Park.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
September 15, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

With reference to the City Council order dated July 14, 1952, requesting the installation of traffic signals at the intersection of Reservation road and River street, Hyde Park, I wish to report that an extensive study and a series of observations have been completed.

As a result of radar recordings, it appears that the average speed at the intersection named is 24 miles per hour; the lowest in the entire area studied. Accordingly, it cannot be said that there is a problem involving excessive speed.

The lack of sufficient safety signs was noted and permanent "Slow" signs in River street flanking Reservation road will be erected.

Our engineers find no warrant sufficient for the signaling of this area as pedestrian traffic is very light except for occasional services at St. Adelbert's Polish Church and there are many requests for traffic lights from the Hyde Park area which should be given preference over this particular location.

The captain of Division 18 by conducting a speed trap on River street ended the problem which was, no doubt, existing when the Council order was passed.

Respectfully yours,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.
Placed on file.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

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

Claims.

Elijah Anderson, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 66 Hammond street, Roxbury.

Joseph L. Benson, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him on account of his acts as employee of Fire Department.

Joseph L. Benson, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Helene Boll, to be reimbursed for money placed in parking meter on Commonwealth avenue.

George J. Brown, for compensation for damage to property at 96 Milton street, Dorchester, caused by leak in water pipe.

Joseph J. Ciccone, for compensation for injuries received on ferryboat.

Joseph R. Cleary, to be paid for expenses incurred when city drain became clogged at 35 Fernwood road, West Roxbury.

James H. Cutler, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Sanitary Division.

William H. Derrah, Jr., to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

John J. Dewan, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Police Department.

John A. Doherty, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Water Division.

Frederick J. Eggers, Jr., to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Ralph B. Farrar, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Sewer Division.

D. F. Flagg Company, for compensation for damage to property at 206 Dartmouth street, caused by overflow of water.

William H. Foley, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Dr. Charles J. Fox, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Washington street, South End.

Milton A. Goldberg, for compensation for damage to car by falling limb of tree at 301 Washington street, Brighton.

Michael J. Healy, for compensation for damage to property at 10 Verdun street, Dorchester, caused by backing up of sewage.

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

Thomas J. Langdon, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Sanitary Division.

Arthur R. Marr, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Joseph D. Museato, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

James C. Nicholas, doing business as Brock's Restaurant, for compensation for damage to property at 4 and 5 Dock square, caused by leak in water pipe.

Alice K. Nolan, for compensation for loss of clothing while patient at City Hospital.

Robert P. O'Brien, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Paving Division.

Michael J. O'Donnell, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Robert E. Randall, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Olga A. Sammer, for compensation for collapse of water boiler at 23 Paul Gore street, caused by water being shut off.

Sadie Saxe *et al.*, for compensation for injuries and damage to property by city car.

The Sea Insurance Company, Limited, for compensation for damage to car of Oscar L. Zides during cleaning of sewer, near 41 Charlotte street, Dorchester.

Viola M. Shea, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 16 Preble street.

Francis N. Smith, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Margaret Sullivan, for compensation for damage to car by police car.

Lillian M. Sweeney, for compensation for damage to car by city ambulance.

Gennaro F. Testa, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at South Margin and Staniford streets.

Tobin Packing Company, Inc., for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

John Vozzella, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Paving Division.

Sarah Winer, for compensation for injuries caused by city car.

Henry W. Zellen, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Water Division.

Licenses.

Blue Hill Bowlway, Samuel Epstein, 6 Livingstone street, Dorchester.

Bond Bowling and Billiards, Inc., Edward H. Margolis, 615 Washington street, Boston.

Boston Daylight Alleys, Antonio Botta, 107 Cambridge 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.

Commonwealth Recreation Bowling Alleys, Joseph Grant, 1105 Commonwealth avenue, Brighton.

Eagle Bowling Alleys, Joseph Grant, 2355 Washington street, Roxbury.

Hibernian Bowling Alleys, Mortimer J. Cronin, 184 Dudley street, Roxbury.

Huntington 55 Alleys, Inc., Edward H. Margolis, 253A Huntington Avenue, Boston.

Hyde Square Bowlway, Angelo Iorio, 403 Centre street, Jamaica Plain.

Lee S. King, 464-468 Blue Hill avenue, Dorchester.

Marie Kittrell, 216 Hanover street, Boston.

Lucky Strike Alleys, Joseph Bonigli, 289 Adams street, Dorchester.

Mattapan Bowladrome, Samuel Orren, 1348 Bluc Hill avenue, Mattapan.

Maverick Garden Bowladrome, Angelo Vozzella, 2 Maverick square, East Boston.

Miah J. Murray, Inc., John F. Ierardi, 1156 Washington street, Boston.

Dominick Rubbiceo, 4264 Washington street, Roslindale.

South Station Bowling Alleys, Joseph Grant, 669 Atlantic avenue, Boston.

Talbot Bowladrome, Sumner Ross, 56 Talbot avenue, Dorchester.

20th Century Billiard Company, M. J. Hynes, treasurer, 1231-1241 Hyde Park avenue, Hyde Park.

West Roxbury Bowling Center, Walter C. Dennison, 119 Park street, West Roxbury.

PETITION FOR RETIREMENT.

Petition of George B. Stebbins, Clerk of Court, Municipal Court, West Roxbury District, for retirement as a veteran.

Referred to the Committee on Claims.

PETITION FOR ANNUITY.

Petition of Mary A. Hagan, to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, Albert R. Hagan, late member of Police Department.

Referred to the Committee on Claims.

NOTICE OF HEARING BEFORE MILK CONTROL BOARD.

Notice was received from the Milk Control Board of hearing on September 23, 1952, at 11 a.m., at Worcester County Courthouse, 15 Court street, Worcester, Mass., on minimum milk prices payable to producers; whether or not the town of Bedford should be transferred from its present milk marketing area to another, and whether or not the Board should adopt any order relative to such matters.

Placed on file.

HEARINGS BEFORE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held at its hearing room on September 22, 1952, at 10 o'clock a.m., on the propriety of rates and charges by Western Union Telegraph Company.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held at its hearing room on September 30, 1952, at 10 o'clock a.m., on petition of Boston Edison Company to erect poles on West Boundary road, Hyde Park.

Severally referred to Committee on Licenses.

APPOINTMENT OF CONSTABLES TO SERVE WITHOUT BOND.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Law Department, September 15, 1952.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

This is in response to your request for my opinion as to the legal effect of the following order passed by your Honorable Body on September 8, 1952:

"Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to withdraw the annual list of appointments of constables not authorized to serve civil process and to serve without bond, and to submit at the next meeting of the Council in place thereof a list of not more than fifteen (15) to be selected from the present list and in the order of length of service to the City of Boston."

An enactment such as the order just quoted is to be construed according to the natural import of its language in common and approved usage unless in the particular case there is something to indicate that such language was used in a different sense. Compare *Commonwealth v. Welosky*, 276 Mass. 398, 401, and *Smith v. Livermore*, 298 Mass. 223, 234. The essence of the above-

quoted order is that his Honor the Mayor be "requested" to withdraw a certain list of nominations for the office of constable and submit in place thereof another list. It has long been settled that "words of request in their ordinary meaning convey a mere request, and do not convey a legal obligation of any kind either at law or in equity." *Hill v. Hill*, [1897] 1 Q.B. 483. *McCurdy v. McCalm*, 186 Mass. 464, 469. In the instant case, "requested" is used as a polite form of the word "required" is used as a polite form of command rather than in its ordinary sense as a purely precatory term; for where, as here, the law prescribes that an appointment to public office be made by a chief executive subject to confirmation by another body, the nomination must be the sole and completely voluntary act of the chief executive, and the confirming authority has no power other than to confirm or to refuse to confirm. Compare *Marbury v. Madison*, 1 Cranch, 137, 135.

Accordingly, it is my opinion that the above-quoted order has no legal effect but simply makes a suggestion which the Mayor is at liberty to disregard if he sees fit.

Respectfully yours,
WILLIAM L. BAXTER,
Corporation Counsel.

Placed on file.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMISSION ON CITY HOSPITAL.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Finance Commission, September 16, 1952.

To the Honorable the Mayor and the City Council.
Gentlemen:

The current agitation over irregularities at the Boston City Hospital has served to focus attention once more upon deficiencies in the administration of this institution. The question of how many milk cans have been lost or stolen and who is going to pay for them is a matter which the courts can settle. There is no bill for cans now before the city, since the City Auditor—because of a technicality—has rejected a bill for lost cans filed by the milk vendor.

However, the latest can episode points up the need for serious consideration at the topmost level of the city government of the methods, policies, and practices in the administration of the hospital.

The Finance Commission has issued many reports during the last two decades revealing deficiencies in its administration. Instances of thievery were numerous and almost beyond belief. Until the present wave of newspaper publicity following the milk can shortage, the hospital corridors and many of its units of operation were as open as Boston Common. There was no control over the coming and going, and "bringings in and bringings out" of the hospital employees. Persons not employed by the hospital had the same privileges and opportunities without molestation. The Finance Commission pointed to 13 separate entrances (exits as well), with no one at any one of them to question anybody as to where he was going or what he was carrying in or out.

Hospital personnel changes very frequently. Employees change their jobs within the hospital frequently. To a great extent, those employees of the lower grades were absolutely unknown to anyone at the hospital when they were first employed. Obviously, with supplies of all kinds and equipment of all kinds scattered through the immense plant, control over employees is just as necessary as control over those who come in and who are not employed by the hospital.

The volume of travel in and out of the hospital daily is difficult to estimate. It is a 2,000-bed hospital, usually filled to capacity; it has a total of 3,102 employees; its out-patient activities are tremendous. It may be realized, therefore, patients, visitors, and employees number many thousands daily. Control of entrance and exit is therefore of the greatest importance. Yet there has been none exercised.

In trying to establish the facts in regard to the loss of milk cans, the Finance Commission has found that records of all food distribution are either not kept, or most of those that are kept are really useless. For instance, there is a record kept of the daily receipt of milk cans and bottles but while there is a receipt for cans returned, there is only spasmodic record of bottles returned.

No record is kept of milk turned over to the different units of the hospital.

Incidentally, the records—consisting of signed receipts by the representative of the milk vendor—show as follows from April 1 to September 1, 1952 (the contract under which the present claim of cans and bottles not returned originated):

Number of cans delivered.....	49,256
Number of cans returned.....	48,352
Hospital Department count of cans on hand September 1.....	652
Cans not accounted for.....	252

In another respect, procedure in regard to milk received is faulty. It is assumed that all cans received contain the required amount of milk. The record credits full cans in all instances. Yet, on one occasion within a year when a complaint was received that cans were not full, the Sealer of Weights and Measures was called in to make a check and he reported that he found 39 of 42 cans questioned to be short of the required contents. The supplier was permitted to replace these cans with full cans.

A large chest is maintained for the storage of eggs as well as milk. No one person is in charge of it, and at least 12 have access to it. Officially, a key is given to each of nine persons: a delivery receiver, an employee known as the "milk job" man; the assistant chef; the night baker; the principal cook, nights; three assistants to the steward; and the steward.

Milk in eight-quart cans is delivered to the wards, to the kitchen, to the employees' dining room, and to the doctors' dining room. There are 50 stations of milk delivery in the wards alone. Bottled milk goes to the milk laboratory for making up formulas and to the special units as requested. For milk desired forms called "Diet Slips" are made out by a nurse in each ward; and in the diet kitchen another requisition is made up from these diet slips, but neither is kept as a record.

For the kitchen, a supply boy simply tells what he wants to the person currently on the "milk job," or to some other one of the nine who have a key to the chest. He is supplied without further requisition. No signature for delivery is given. Empties are returned for storage without check of any kind.

For the milk laboratory, the process is the same. A porter verbally requests a quantity of milk from the "milk job" man, or anyone who has a key. He offers no requisition and gives no receipt. Cases of empty bottles and loose bottles are returned irregularly to the place of original storage without record made or kept.

Though frequent complaint has been made by users that the milk was sour, or had a poor taste, when the Health Department made a test on request, the report was simply that there was a normal acidity in the milk.

Observance of the methods of handling and distribution of milk at the South Department (contagious section) revealed more or less the same situation as at the Main Hospital, except that at the South Department kitchen all kitchen personnel have access to the chest there. This chest can be locked but presumably never is.

This detail of the handling of the milk supply might be said to apply to all food supply. There is a complete lack of proper record of distribution and use. Records of original delivery to the central receiving station appear to be adequate, but from there on there is no reliable record made or kept.

It is apparent that the same looseness of distribution of supplies of all kinds runs through the entire hospital.

A recognized national authority on hospital management employed by the Finance Commission reported in 1949:

Meal Count: The meal count is made monthly on the basis of a record maintained in the Statistics Office. Three meals are counted for all patients in the hospital for each day of the month. This data is obtained from the daily census. It includes all patients, including newborn. The number of employees' meals is also determined from a record kept in the Statistics Office. Three meals are counted for all employees entitled to such meals; two meals for other employees, and one meal for a third class of employee.

This method of obtaining the meal count does not give an accurate figure. It includes meals to employees who may not have taken all meals to which they are entitled. It includes

meals to employees absent on sickness or vacation, and includes all patients whether served three meals or not.

The situation with respect to meals is substantially unchanged.

Another striking revelation by this surveyor was:

Control of Employees' Cafeterias: There is no control of the number of meals served in the employees' cafeterias. Cafeteria employees have no way of knowing when a person is added to the payroll, or when he is dropped. The supervisor of the cafeteria can only check the persons coming to the cafeteria by recognizing them. While an attempt is made to do this, it does not constitute a satisfactory control.

Guests of the executives, police and firemen stationed in the hospital, past employees and employees eating more meals than they are entitled to, cannot be controlled at present.

It is recommended that the employees' cafeterias be placed under control promptly. Employees entitled to free meals should be given a coupon book, with perforated sections to provide a coupon for each meal to which entitled. These would be issued monthly. The books would be numbered and the same number would be issued to an employee each month. A cashier would be stationed in each cafeteria, and employees would be required to present their coupons. These would be torn off for the proper meal, and carefully kept for the daily count of meals served, and for delivery to the Internal Auditor.

All persons not having an employees' meal coupon would be required to pay a fixed price for the meal concerned. Collections would be registered on a cash register. Employees who forgot their books would be given a receipt from the cash register, and would receive a refund of the amount concerned by bringing the meal book in the following day, and surrendering the proper meal coupon.

In addition, a turnstile to count persons passing through the cafeteria lines should be installed, which will be useful in checking the approximate number of meals served.

In regard to linen at the hospital which, as might be expected, is a major item of expense, our surveyor reported:

In our survey, the item which caused the most adverse comment from employees was the linen question. There is a very definite impression that a large quantity of such items is stolen from the hospital each year; and ward employees complain that there is never enough linen to properly replace soiled linen on the beds. No economical system for complete control of linen has been evolved for hospital use.

The Finance Commission has not attempted here to repeat all the instances of poor management at this hospital. Previously they have been plentifully recorded in reports by the Commission, the most recent being a general survey report in 1949. Though for a number of years it was impossible to inspire by these reports those responsible to take steps to bring order out of the chaos which existed, nevertheless, the Hospital Trustees recently have retained one capable specialist to install new business methods and another to revise the feeding system. Inasmuch as these jobs are now under way, and one is well advanced but not yet completed, the Commission is reluctant at this time to say more than that a complete reorganization immediately of the business practices is vitally necessary. Furthermore, the Commission repeats its recommendation in the general survey report that the administrative setup should be completely reorganized. The form of organization recommended is contained in Finance Commission reports, copies of which were forwarded to the hospital officials at the time of making.

Respectfully submitted,
EDWARD F. MULLEN, Chairman,
LEO J. DUNN,
FREDERICK DEANE,
JOSEPH K. COLLINS,
EDWARD U. LEE,
The Finance Commission.

ROBERT E. CUNNIFF,
Secretary.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

ASSIGNMENT OF JUDGE.

Communication from the Supreme Judicial Court on reassignment of John C. Leggat of Lowell to the Administrative Committee of the Probate Courts, and his redesignation as chairman of said committee.

Placed on file.

CONVENTION OF AMERICAN MUNICIPAL ASSOCIATION.

An invitation was received from the American Municipal Association requesting the City Council to send a representative to its convention in Los Angeles, California, on December 1, 2, and 3, 1952.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

APPROVAL OF CONSTABLES' BONDS.

The constables' bonds of James J. Gannon and John J. Murphy, having been duly approved by the City Treasurer, were received and approved.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR.

Notices were received from the Mayor of the following appointments:

Joseph L. Malone, 296 Bellevue street, West Roxbury, Director of Civil Defense, for term ending July 1, 1953.

A. Joseph Freno, 54 Howitt road, West Roxbury, to be a member of Board of Street Commissioners, for term ending the first Monday in January, 1955.

James S. Maloof, 19 Coving street, West Roxbury, to be a member of Board of Overseers of Public Welfare, for term ending April 30, 1955, vice Katharine D. Hardwick, term expired. Severally placed on file.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFIRMATIONS.

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

Report on appointment by the Mayor (referred September 8) of Frank Zuccaro as constable with authority to serve civil process upon filing of bond, for term ending April 30, 1953 — recommending no further action necessary.

The report was accepted.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS.

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

1. Report on petition of Theodore J. Lukosi (referred August 25) to be reimbursed for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as an employee of Police Department—recommending passage of accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of eight hundred ninety-five dollars (\$895) be allowed and paid to Theodore J. Lukosi in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as a member of the Police Department, said sum to be charged to the appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

2. Report on petition of Katherine M. Russell (referred July 14) to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, 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 fifteen hundred dollars be allowed and paid to Katherine M. Russell, widow of Edward J. Russell, a member of the Fire Department who died on June 20, 1952, 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.

3. Report on petition of Mary H. Carroll (referred August 4) to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, late member of Police

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 eighteen hundred and twelve dollars be allowed and paid to Mary H. Carroll, widow of Patrick E. Carroll, a member of the Police Department who died on June 14, 1952, on account of injuries received in the performance of his duty; said annuity being made up of allowances as follows:

For the widow, Mary H. Carroll, so long as she remains unmarried, \$1,500 per annum.

For the following-named child during such time as she is under the age of eighteen or over said age and physically or mentally incapacitated from earning, \$312 per annum.

Eileen Mary Carroll, born October 30, 1943, provided, however, that if the widow remarries the annuity for said child 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. 4. Report on petition of Charles A. Newell (referred September 8) for indemnification for hospital, surgical, medical and nursing expenses incurred as a result of injuries sustained by him while in the performance of his duty as a member of the Boston Fire Department on February 8, 1951—recommending passage of the accompanying order:

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 100 of chapter 41 of the General Laws, upon petition of Charles A. Newell, a ladderman in the Fire Department, for indemnification for hospital, surgical, medical and nursing expenses incurred by him as a result of injuries received through no fault of his own, while in the performance of his duty on February 8, 1951, there be allowed and paid, as recommended by the Fire Commissioner and approved by the Corporation Counsel, to each of the following the amounts respectively stated:

A. Price Heusner, M.D.	\$225
Richard M. Kilfoyle, M.D.	200
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	\$425

said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

The report was accepted and the order was passed.

ROPING OFF STREETS FOR ARMISTICE DAY PARADE.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:

Ordered, That the City Messenger be, and he hereby is, authorized to rope off Commonwealth avenue (south side), Arlington street, Boylston street, Tremont street, Temple place, Washington street, School street, Beacon street, Arlington street and Commonwealth avenue (north side), in conjunction with the annual Armistice Day Parade to be held on November 11, 1952, and that the expense of same be charged to the City Council Appropriation for Flags, Ropes and Stakes.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF WALTER J. PALIWODA.

Coun. KERRIGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend naming of the square at the intersection of Buttonwood and Locust streets, Dorchester, in honor of Staff Sergeant Walter J. Paliwoda, of Company G, 12th Infantry, 4th Motorized Division, U. S. Army, who was killed in action at Luxemburg on December 19, 1944.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

ORDERS PASSED UNDER SECTION 17F
OF CITY CHARTER.

Coun. FOLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the City Clerk prepare and maintain a separate list of orders passed under the authority of section 17F of the City Charter. That as an integral part of such compilation a listing be made of such orders which remain unanswered, although the time allowed in the original order has elapsed, and that such list be available in the Council Chamber during all meetings.

Coun. WHITE in the chair.

On motion of Councillor Foley, the order was referred to the Committee on Rules.

COORDINATION OF ACTIVITIES OF
"LITTLE LEAGUES."

Coun. FOLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to direct the Park Department and the Board of Recreation to hold a conference within one month of the passage of this order with the officers and directors of the various "Little Leagues" in the City of Boston for the purpose of coordinating the activities of the City of Boston and the "Little Leagues" in the year 1953 and preparing municipal budget estimates for the year 1953 in accordance with such decisions, and that a report of such conference be forwarded to the Mayor and Council as soon as possible after the event.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

RECESS.

On motion of Councillor Piemonte, the Council voted to take a recess at 3.26 P.M., subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled in the Council Chamber and were called to order by President PIEMONTE at 5.24 P.M.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

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

1. Report on order (referred August 25) that the Corporation Counsel prepare an ordinance regulating the operation of sound trucks in residential areas after 7 P.M.—that same ought to pass.

2. Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred June 30) on claim for damage against United States of America to Northern Avenue Bridge by Coast Guard cutter "Ojibwa" on April 15, 1952—that same ought to pass.

3. Report on order (referred August 25) that the Traffic Commissioner consider advisability of amending the regulation governing operation of parking meters—that same ought to pass.

Reports accepted; said orders severally passed.

4. Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred August 4) for transfer of appropriation of \$7,900 from Reserve Fund to Suffolk County Court House—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed, yeas 7, nays 0:

Yeas—Councillors Ahearn, Foley, Hurley, Joyce, Kerrigan, Piemonte, White—7.

Nays—0.

5. Report on notice of hearing before State Department of Public Works (referred June 30) on petition of City of Boston for license to place rubbish fill in South Bay—that same be placed on file.

The report was accepted and the notice was placed on file.

6. Report on message of the Mayor (referred June 16) to expedite construction on Washington and Cambridge streets, Brighton—that same be placed on file.

The report was accepted and the message was placed on file.

7. Report on communication of American Municipal Association (referred today) extending invitation to attend its convention in Los Angeles, California, December 1, 2, and 3, 1952—recommending that the City Clerk write to the association declining the invitation with thanks, as matters pending before the Council make it impossible to send a representative.

The report was accepted and the communication was placed on file.

Coun. FOLEY in the chair.

8. Report on the communication from the Boston Finance Commission (referred today) on Boston City Hospital recommending that the report of the Boston Finance Commission of September 16 be referred to the Committee on Hospitals of the Boston City Council to determine whether the criticisms contained therein are justified; whether such defects as observed have been corrected, and, in general, what action has been taken by the administrators of the Hospital Department to correct such abuses reported in this report, and for such other investigation as the committee may consider necessary and feasible.

The report was accepted. The communication of the Boston Finance Commission and the report of the Executive Committee were referred to the Committee on Hospitals.

9. Report on message of the Mayor (referred February 18) *re* legal opinion on payment of a certain sum of money to Jacob Bankoff—recommending reference to Committee on Claims.

The report was accepted and the message was referred to the Committee on Claims.

10. Report on order (referred August 25) for acceptance of chapter 493, Acts of 1952, on presumption of death of Louis DiSessa in line of duty—that same be referred to Committee on Claims.

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

11. Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred August 25) for transfer of appropriation of \$1,700 from Reserve Fund to Weights and Measures Department—that same be referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Finance.

The report was accepted, and the order was referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Finance.

12. Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred August 25) for transfer of appropriation of \$30,000 from Reserve Fund to Hospital Department—that same be referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Finance.

The report was accepted, and the order was referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Finance.

13. Report on notice of appointment by Health Department (referred August 4) of Nicholas C. Crossen, Jr., as collector of Milk Samples (provisional)—that same be referred to the Committee on Confirmations.

14. Report on notice of appointment by Health Department (referred July 14) of John F. Doolin as Inspector of Housing and Sanitation—that same be referred to the Committee on Confirmations.

15. Report on notice of appointment by Health Department (referred June 23) of Paul Brennan as Inspector of Housing and Sanitation—that same be referred to the Committee on Confirmations.

16. Report on notice of appointment by Assessing Department (referred August 4) of Bernard F. Shadrawy as First Assistant Assessor, temporary—that same be referred to the Committee on Confirmations.

Reports accepted; said notices of appointments were severally referred to the Committee on Confirmations.

EXPANSION OF PROFESSIONAL STAFF
OF CITY PLANNING BOARD.

Coun. FOLEY offered the following:

Whereas, The Boston City Council has had ample opportunity to observe the mechanics of policy making on planning matters in the City of Boston; and

Whereas, It appears that the functioning of the Planning Board on an amateur basis is inadequate for the very important planning work to be done in Boston; and

Whereas, It appears that the presently suggested changes in procedure of the Planning Board will not in the opinion of this Council adequately strengthen that body; and

Whereas, In the opinion of this Council the Planning Board of Boston must be put on a sound professional basis; be it, therefore,

Resolved, That the Boston City Council favors expansion of the professional staff of the Boston Planning Board by a substantial increase in personnel appropriation in the municipal budget for the year 1953; and, be it further

Resolved, That the increase in staff proceed from the higher level to the lower, that the more important and highly compensated positions be filled first; and, be it further

Resolved, That the most highly qualified and trained professional city planners be appointed to positions to be established in accord with the recommendations of the City Planning Board as submitted as of June 11, 1952.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

Adjourned at 6.28 P.M., on motion of Councillor Ahearn, to meet on Monday, September 29, 1952, 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 29, 1952.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President PIEMONTE in the chair, and all the members present.

Rev. Lucian Ducie, C.P., of St. Gabriel's Monastery, Brighton, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY REV. LUCIAN DUCIE.

Gentlemen, I am very happy to have this occasion to appear before the City Council to offer what I may in a spiritual way toward the success of your deliberations on the things of great moment in which you are engaged for the welfare of the City of Boston.

I just would like, in giving my offering to you today, to take advantage of my spiritual position, inasmuch as I am praying over the Council and praying for the Council, simply to say that it is well for us to bear in mind all the prayers said for us and over us are of no avail at all unless we pray for ourselves, and I have always been of the mind that no one who accepts a position of public trust and in whose care the interests of the public are entrusted should ever dare to accept this trust or to go about the business of fulfilling the trust without being, in the first place, in prayer, and without having his mind, his heart, and his conscience toward God. All the prayers that are said for us are of no avail unless we pray for ourselves and ask divine guidance and divine help and divine illumination. God is not going to save us spiritually or help us spiritually through the instrumentation of anyone else's intercession.

We have all heard, "God helps those who help themselves," and the prayers which are said at the opening of the Council, and the prayers which are said for you that this divine guidance may be yours, may be fulfilled and can only be fulfilled when those same prayers are backed up by your own cooperative prayers. Whatever may be your belief, whatever may be your religious persuasion, it should be, to my mind, the bounden obligation of everyone to look at himself each morning before he starts out with his day's work to be sure his mind and heart and conscience is going to God, and we ourselves should be the first ones before anyone else to ask for divine guidance and divine help.

I have brought with me just a very simple prayer. There have been many prayers said over you and over the Council, and there are many ways of saying prayers, but I have known this prayer for many, many years, for all the years of my priesthood and I have recommended it to hundreds and hundreds of men. I think if the thoughts of this prayer were incorporated into the life of every man who goes to work of the kind in which you are engaged, as well as other men, it would be a better world in which to live and our efforts toward a better condition of mankind would be very greatly increased. It is an old prayer of St. Francis of Assisi, and I bid you to listen to it carefully, and if you are so minded, I would say, get this prayer some day if you have not got it already, and make it a personal possession either in your home or among your papers or in your pocketbook as something that you may look at many, many times throughout the year, and I am sure you will find a great deal of inspiration and divine guidance in this prayer. It is a summing up of everything everyone of us should be.

Lord, make me a channel of Thy peace, that where there is hatred, I may bring love, that where there is wrong, I may bring a spirit of forgiveness, that where there is discord, I may bring harmony, that where there is error, I may bring truth, that where there is doubt, I may bring faith, that where there is despair, I may bring hope, that where there are shadows, I may bring light, that where there is sadness, I may bring joy.

Lord, grant that I may seek comfort to understand and be understood, and to love, rather than

to be loved, for it is by giving that one receives, it is by self-forgetting that one finds, it is by forgiving that one is forgiven, it is by dying that one awakens to eternal life.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

APPOINTMENT OF WILFRED J. DOYLE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 25, 1952.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

Subject to confirmation by your Honorable Body, I hereby reappoint Wilfred J. Doyle of 81 Wellington Hill street, Boston, to be a member of the Boston Retirement Board for the term ending September 30, 1955.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Referred to the Committee on Confirmations.

CONSTRUCTION OF INCINERATORS IN CERTAIN AREAS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, September 29, 1952.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

Chapter 559 of the Acts of 1952 provides that the Metropolitan District Commission is authorized to construct incinerators in certain sections of Metropolitan Boston.

It is required in the above-named act, that each city and town named in the act accept the provisions of section 1 of the statute. This must be done before any site is obtained or construction commenced.

I forward herewith an acceptance order which I recommend be adopted by your Body. This order does not give approval to the construction of any incinerator within the City of Boston, and any such construction will, necessarily, be approved by your Honorable Body.

I also forward communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to this matter.

In view of the fact that the disposal of garbage and refuse is one of the most serious problems facing the city, I suggest that the City Council give prompt attention and action to the attached order.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
September 29, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

The sanitary and economical disposal of garbage and refuse material is, in my opinion, one of the most serious problems concerning this city. It has been practically unanimously agreed by all engineers who have studied this problem that incineration is the only answer.

Under the provisions of chapter 559 of the acts and resolves of the current year, the Metropolitan District Commission is authorized to construct incinerators in certain sections of Metropolitan Boston, at least three of which will be used, in whole or in part, by this city. Under the provisions of section 1 of the above-referenced act, it is necessary for each city and town named in the act to accept the section which authorizes, in substance, the Metropolitan District Commission to proceed with the work involved in the design, erection, maintenance and operation of the system of incinerators provided for in the act.

I discussed this matter with the Corporation Counsel, and he has prepared the enclosed order for acceptance by the Council and the approval of your Honor. I suggest, if possible, that copies of this order be forwarded to the City Council today, in order that said Honorable Body may take early action on this matter.

Respectfully yours,

GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Ordered, That section 9A of chapter 92 of the General Laws, as inserted by section 1 of chapter 559 of the Acts of 1952, be, and the same hereby is, accepted, provided, however, that nothing herein contained shall be construed to grant approval under section 3 of said chapter 559 for the construction under said section 9A of any incinerator in the City of Boston.

Referred to the Committee on Ordinances.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

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

Claims.

Baid Realty Corporation, for compensation for damage to property at 216 Newbury street, caused by overflow of sewage.

Caroline Capua, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 700 Harrison avenue.

Gerardo DeRosa, for rebate of certain water charges.

Casimir E. Eckler, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Thomas F. Kelly, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him on account of his acts as employee of Sewer Division.

George G. Kent, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Highway Division.

Bernard M. Lydon, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

William P. McDermott, for compensation for damage to car by street sweeper.

James M. O'Connell, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Sanitary Division.

Terence D. O'Connor, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Traffic Department.

Catherine Shannon, for compensation for collapse of water boiler at 73 Moore street, East Boston, caused by water being shut off.

Mary D. Sullivan, for compensation for damage to property at 1326 Columbia road, caused by car of Park Department.

The Travelers, for compensation for damage to car of Sidney Linder caused by car of Public Works Department.

Americo Vozza, for compensation for collapse of water boiler at 78 Cottage street, East Boston, caused by broken water main.

W. M. Waul, for compensation for damage to property at 362 Centre street, caused by backing up of sewage.

Licenses.

Caledonian Bowling Alleys, Michael Palumbo, 1505 Veterans of Foreign Wars Parkway, West Roxbury.

Codman Squaré Bowloway, George H. Kevorkian 649 Washington street, Dorchester.

Columbia Recreation, Joseph Rubbiccio, 707A Columbia road, Dorchester.

Fenway Alleys, Inc., Albert H. Slate, 136 Massachusetts avenue, Boston.

Irish Center Club, Inc., Peter J. Graham, 194 Heath street, Jamaica Plain.

King Pin Alleys, Amos E. Cowan, 200 Huntington avenue, Boston.

New Allston Alleys, John E. Hayes, 137 Brighton avenue, Allston.

North Station Bowling Alleys, Joseph A. Bruno, 222½ Friend street, Boston.

Olindey South Station Alleys, Inc., Albert H. Slate, Treasurer, basement, South Station, Altaitic avenue, Boston.

Orient Bowlaway, Henry Baldassaro, 981 Bennington street, East Boston.

Scollay Alleys, Samuel Selett, 48 Scollay square, Boston.

Webster Bowling Alleys, Louis J. Pumphrey, 26 Taber street, Roxbury.

West Roxbury Liederkrantz, Lee M. Jekowski, 46 Rockland street, West Roxbury.

PETITIONS FOR ANNUITIES.

Petition of Nettie B. Macfarlano to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, Charles Macfarlane, late member of Fire Department.

Petition of Kathryn F. Brown to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, John J. Brown, late member of Fire Department.

Referred to the Committee on Claims.

PETITION FOR REDUCTION OF ANNUITY.

Petition of Mary V. Maher, for reduction of annuity granted to her on account of death of her husband, Michael J. Maher, late member of Fire Department.

Referred to the Committee on Claims.

NOTICE FROM STATE MILK CONTROL BOARD.

A communication was received from the State Milk Control Board transmitting copy of order designating the cities and towns in Milk Marketing Area No. 17.

Placed on file.

NOTICE FROM STATE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.

Communication was received from the State Department of Public Utilities transmitting copy of order granting approval to Metropolitan Transit Authority for pole location on Burnet street, West Roxbury.

Placed on file.

HEARING BEFORE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing, to be held at its hearing room on October 6, 1952, at 2 o'clock P.M., on petition of Airways Transportation Company for amendment of certificate and to establish alternate routes between Manger, Bradford, and Lenox Hotels and airport.

Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

ASSIGNMENT OF JUDGES.

Communication was received from the Supreme Judicial Court of assignment of judges of district courts to act as judges of Appellate Division, and designation of presiding judge for the Northern District.

Placed on file.

APPOINTMENT OF SAMUEL J. TOMASELLO.

Notice was received from the Mayor of the appointment of Samuel J. Tomasello to be a member of the Board of Appeal, for the term ending April 30, 1953, vice William H. Ellis, deceased.

Placed on file.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCE.

Coun. WARD, for the Committee on Appropriations and Finance, submitted the following:

1. Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred July 14) appropriating \$9,327 for the purchase of motorcycles for the Police Department—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the order was passed, yeas 9.

Yeas—Councillors Ahearn, Foley, Hailer, Hurley, Joyce, Kerrigan, Piemonte, Ward, White—9.

2. Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred August 4) appropriating \$165,000 from the special account, Sales of City Property, for acquisition of land for parks or playgrounds—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the question came on giving the order its first reading. The order was given its first reading and passage, yeas 9.

Yeas—Councillors Ahearn, Foley, Hailer, Hurley, Joyce, Kerrigan, Piemonte, Ward, White—9.

The order was assigned for 14 days for final action.

3. Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred August 4) appropriating \$32,000 from the special account, Sales of City Property, for the construction of buildings, acquisition of land and original equipment and furnishings thereof—recommending no further action necessary.

The report was accepted.

4. Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred August 25) appropriating \$18,000 from income of the George F. Parkman Fund—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the order was passed, yeas 9.

Yeas—Councillors Ahearn, Foley, Hailer, Hurley, Joyce, Kerrigan, Piemonte, Ward, White—9.

5. Report on message of the Mayor (referred August 25) withdrawing order of August 4, 1952, for appropriation of \$32,000 for the construction of buildings by the Public Works Department—recommending no further action necessary.

The report was accepted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS.

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

1. Report on petition (referred September 22) of George B. Stebbins for retirement as a veteran—recommending passage of accompanying order:

Whereas, George B. Stebbins, employed in the service of the County of Suffolk as Clerk of Court in the Municipal Court of the West Roxbury District, has made application to be retired under the provisions of section 58 of chapter 32 of the General Laws, as amended; and

Whereas, The said George B. Stebbins has submitted to the City Council satisfactory evidence that he is a veteran as defined in section 56 of chapter 32 of the General Laws, and that he has been in the service of the county for a total period of thirty years in the aggregate; and therefore be it

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 58 of chapter 32 of the General Laws, as amended, George B. Stebbins, employed in the County of Suffolk as Clerk of Court in the Municipal Court of the West Roxbury District, be, and hereby is, retired by the Mayor and City Council, acting as county commissioners, at an annual pension of three thousand, six hundred eighty-one dollars and sixty cents, being sixty-five per cent of his highest regular rate of compensation.

2. Report on petition of Joseph L. Benson (referred September 22) to be reimbursed as a result of an execution issued against him on account of his acts as an employee of the Boston Fire Department—recommending passage of accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of twelve hundred dollars (\$1,200) be allowed and paid to Joseph L. Benson in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as an employee of the Fire Department, said sum to be charged to the appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

3. Report on petition of Esther G. Lynch (referred September 8) to be paid annuity on account of the death of her husband, John T. Lynch, late member of 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 \$1,500 be allowed and paid to Esther G. Lynch, widow of John T. Lynch, a member of the Fire Department, who died on May 23, 1952, 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.

4. Report on petition of Elsie L. Sullivan (referred April 14, 1952) to be paid annuity on account of the death of her husband, John J. Sullivan, 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 \$1,500 dollars be allowed and paid to Elsie L. Sullivan, widow of John J. Sullivan, a member of the Police Department, who died on April 2, 1952, 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 Police Department, Pensions and Annuities.

Reports accepted; said orders severally passed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RULES.

Coun. AHEARN, for the Committee on Rules, submitted the following:

1. Report on order (referred March 13, 1950) for use of land of Franklin Park and George Wright golf courses for veterans' housing—that same be placed on file.

2. Report on order (referred April 9, 1951) that City Messenger be requested to see that no one enters or leaves the Council Chamber during the invocation—that same be placed on file.

The reports were accepted, and the orders were severally placed on file.

3. Report on order (referred May 19, 1952) to amend Rule 30 of the Rules of the City Council.

The report was accepted and the order was passed, yeas 9.

Yeas—Councillors Ahearn, Foley, Hailer, Hurley, Joyce, Kerrigan, Piemonte, Ward, White—9.

4. Report on resolution (referred May 7, 1951) opposing the execution of William McGee—that same be placed on file.

5. Report on resolution (referred May 14, 1951) to eliminate unauthorized recipients of unemployment compensation—that same be placed on file.

6. Report on resolution (referred March 26, 1951) favoring investigation of crime in the City of Boston by U. S. Senate Crime Investigating Committee—that same be placed on file.

7. Report on resolution (referred December 4, 1950) against any financial or other assistance to certain foreign countries—that same be placed on file.

8. Report on resolution (referred February 20, 1950) favoring legislation for enactment of the Fair Employment Practice Act—that same be placed on file.

Reports accepted; said resolutions were severally placed on file.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOSPITALS.

Coun. FOLEY, for the Committee on Hospitals, submitted the following:

Pursuant to the order of the City Council of September 22, 1952, relative to the Finance Commission report of September 16, 1952, the Hospital Committee of the Boston City Council held an open hearing on September 25, 1952, at 11 A.M.

A letter was sent, over the signature of the Chairman of the Committee, to each member and the secretary of the Finance Commission and to each member of the Hospital Board of Trustees, the Superintendent of the City Hospital, the Associate Director, and J. M. Cunningham, a consultant on food distribution. The committee felt that these are the parties primarily concerned with the report. Also notified and requested to attend were the City Auditor, the Sealer of Weights and Measures, and the Health Commissioner. These officials were mentioned at one place or another in the report.

Of these requested to attend, only the Sealer of Weights and Measures, the City Auditor, and the Health Commissioner attended the hearing. The Finance Commission communicated by writing to the committee and stated that as a matter of policy "It is a practice of the Finance Commission to submit its communications in writing." The Board of Trustees of the City Hospital forwarded their communication by letter over the signature of Dr. James W. Manary, stating that it would not be possible for the trustees to attend, and notifying the committee about a meeting of the Board of Trustees on Friday, October 3, at 10 A.M. Both the superintendent and the associate director did not attend, nor did they explain their absence. The Committee was in receipt of a telegram from Joseph M. Cunningham, an outside expert who is

supervising certain reforms in food distribution at the hospital, who stated his absence from the city on business.

Needless to say, the absence of all those primarily concerned with the content of the Finance Commission report of September 16 made it nearly impossible for the committee to discharge the contents of the order of September 22 relative to the report.

To summarize briefly the charges made in the report they are:

1. Excessive and/or uncontrolled exits and entrances at the hospital.
2. Loss of milk cans.
3. Shortage in milk deliveries.
4. Poor control of distribution system of eggs and milk.
5. Delivery of sour milk.
6. Lack of control of food distribution and of caeferia.
7. Poor control of linen supplies at the hospital.

Of these seven charges the committee, because of the failure of the Finance Commission and its secretary, the Board of Trustees, the superintendent and the associate director of the hospital, and Mr. Cunningham, to appear, was unable to deal with all but three, and its treatment of the three below reported on was inadequate because the information available on it came from sources secondarily concerned. However, such information as it was able to gather is below reported.

1. Milk Can Shortages.—With respect to the shortages of milk cans the committee determined that the loss of milk cans was substantially greater than reported in the Finance Commission report and extended from January to the end of April. The actual loss was 1,182 cans as against 252 cans as reported by the Finance Commission. The City Auditor's representative stated that the loss of milk cans was something new in his rather long experience, and the committee also determined that the "technicality" upon which the City Auditor has rejected the bill for loss of cans is not so impregnable a defense as the Finance Commission reported. There appears to be another clause in the contract under which the bill could be paid.

2. Shortages in Deliveries of Milk.—The Sealer of Weights and Measures, Mr. McCarthy, testified that on December 14, 1951, at 2.15 p.m., he was called to the hospital to investigate a reported shortage of milk in the dairy delivery for that day. He found that 39 of 42 cans were short of the required contents and upon conversion of lineal to liquid measure it was discovered that there was a 6 per cent shortage in the deliveries for that day. This, the sealer stated, constitutes a "substantial shortage." Other measurements made within a week of the discovery of the shortage of the 14th indicated no substantial shortage and no other measurements have been made by the Sealer of Weights and Measures since then.

3. The following paragraph of the report, which reads as follows: "Though frequent complaint has been made by users that milk was sour, or had a poor taste, when the Health Department made a test on request, the report was simply that there was a normal acidity in the milk." The Health Commissioner reported to the committee his report of the incident which gave rise to this rather vague paragraph. "The Hospital, on August 8, complained of sour milk (skim). On August 11, a report of this incident was forwarded by letter of Dr. James W. Manary, the superintendent, to the Health Commissioner. As the result of this complaint I secured samples of the skim milk which was delivered to the hospital on August 12. The samples were tested by the Boston Health Department and it was determined by acidity test that the samples were not sour. The usual tests for sourness of milk is an acidity test. Of necessity, it was physically impossible for the Health Department to have submitted to test the samples complained of on August 8 because, in the first place, the samples were not available, and, second, too much time had elapsed when the matter came to my attention."

This charge particularly pointed up the necessity for oral support on the part of the Finance Commission of the written document as it is not clear just whom the Finance Commission is accusing of misfeasance here.

Again the committee reiterates it was impossible to investigate the majority of the charges at the hearing and those charges which it was possible to examine were incompletely scrutinized. All this because of the absence of those primarily

concerned who could have shed light on each matter. The committee understands it has no power of subpoena and suggests that further action, in view of the policy of the Finance Commission and the Board of Trustees of the City Hospital, must either be taken by the full Council under the power contained in section 17F of the City Charter to summons those responsible before the full body, or no further action.

Your committee awaits further instructions.

For the Committee,

WILLIAM J. FOLEY, JR., Chairman.

The report was accepted and the report and communication from the Finance Commission were placed on file.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOUSING.

Coun. FOLEY, for the Committee on Housing, submitted the following:

Report on message of Mayor and resolution (referred February 18) for application for final advance funds from Housing and Home Finance Agency—recommending adoption of the resolution in the following new draft:

Whereas, It is necessary and in the public interest that the Boston Housing Authority avail itself of the financial assistance provided by Title I of the Housing Act of 1949 to assist local slum clearance and urban redevelopment projects; and

Whereas, It is necessary that surveys be made and other activities be performed preparatory to undertaking such projects; and

Whereas, It is recognized that Title I of the Housing Act of 1949 requires that contracts for financial assistance thereunder impose certain obligations and responsibilities upon local public agencies availing themselves of such financial assistance, including among other things:

1. The approval of the redevelopment plan by the governing body of the locality in which the project is situated, with appropriate findings

(a) that financial aid by the Federal Government is necessary;

(b) that the redevelopment plans for the redevelopment areas in the locality will afford maximum opportunity consistent with the sound needs of the locality as a whole, for the redevelopment of such areas by private enterprise, and

(c) that the redevelopment plan conforms to a general plan for the development of the locality as a whole;

2. The provision of local grants-in-aid;

3. The development of a feasible method for the relocation of families displaced from the project area; and

4. The several other local obligations and responsibilities that are imposed pursuant to Title I of the Housing Act of 1949 in connection with the undertaking and carrying out of slum clearance and urban redevelopment projects; and

Whereas, Pursuant to Title I every contract for a Federal capital grant will require local grants-in-aid in connection with the project which, together with the local grants-in-aid to be provided in connection with all other projects of the local public agency on which contracts for Federal grants have been made, will be at least equal to one third of the aggregate net project costs involved in such projects; and

Whereas, Such local grants-in-aid may be provided by a state, municipality or other public body, or by any other entity, and may consist of donations of cash, land, demolition or removal work, and streets, utilities or other site improvements, and the provision of parks, playgrounds, and other public buildings or facilities which

1. Are primarily of direct benefit to the project and are necessary to serve or support the new uses of land in project area or

2. Are of direct and substantial benefit both to the project and to other areas in the community; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, By the Mayor and the City Council of the City of Boston as follows:

SECTION 1. That the financial assistance provided by Title I of the Housing Act of 1949 to assist local slum clearance and urban redevelopment projects is necessary; and

SECTION 2. That it is fully cognizant of the foregoing obligations and responsibilities that are imposed under contracts for financial assistance pursuant to Title I and it is the sense of this body that such obligations and responsibilities can and will be fulfilled; and

SECTION 3. That the filing of an application or applications by the Boston Housing Authority for financial assistance, not exceeding, in the aggregate, \$45,000, from the Housing and Home Finance Administrator under Title I for surveys and plans for the following general area, to wit, the Mattapan district bounded approximately as follows: by Cummins Highway, the New Haven Railroad, Blue Hill avenue, Almont street, and the rear lot lines of Calvary Cemetery and Preventorium, be, and such filing hereby is, approved.

SECTION 4. That the filing of an application or applications by the Boston Housing Authority for financial assistance, not exceeding, in the aggregate, \$55,000, from the Housing and Home Finance Administrator under Title I for surveys and plans for the following general area, to wit, the South End and inner Roxbury district bounded approximately as follows: by Albany street, Broadway, Tremont street, New Haven Railroad, Roxbury street, Guild Row, Dudley street, and Hampden street, be, and such filing hereby is, approved.

The report was accepted, and the resolution in the new draft was adopted, yeas 9.

Yeas—Councillors Ahearn, Foley, Hailer, Hurley, Joyce, Kerrigan, Piemonte, Ward, White—9.

ABATEMENT OF TAXES FOR CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS.

Coun. JOYCE offered the following:

Whereas, It is generally conceded that special consideration should be extended in the matter of real estate taxes to a man and wife, a widow, or widower, over the age of sixty-five who own and self-occupy a single family house; and,

Whereas, In most instances persons who have reached this age are invariably without substantial income from salary and must depend upon a small income from social security, pension, or other meagre income; and,

Whereas, If there is no income whatever from such a property and it constitutes a home only; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Board of Assessors be directed by his Honor the Mayor to inaugurate the policy of completely abating all real estate taxes on such property provided the age qualifications can be properly established; that the property provides no income; and that the party, or parties, petitioning for this abatement be without sustaining income from other means.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

ELECTRIC LIGHTS ON EAST FIFTH STREET.

Coun. JOYCE, KERRIGAN and FOLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to promptly arrange for the installation of electric lights on East Fifth street, South Boston, to replace the present gas lamps, and to generally improve the lighting facilities in that area.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

REVIEW OF PROCEDURE ON LICENSING OF "SKILO."

Coun. AHEARN offered the following:

Resolved, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to consult with the Corporation Counsel for the purpose of reviewing the procedure under which licenses for "Skilo," so called, are presently issued and for the purpose of determining the advisability of revising said procedure so as to require applicants to give in their application

more complete information about themselves, their activities and their associates, and to further require public notice and a public hearing in all cases before a license for "Skilo" is granted; and be it further

Resolved, That if these and other changes are found desirable that his Honor the Mayor instruct the Corporation Counsel to take the necessary steps to correct the situation and to prepare the necessary rules and regulations, or ordinances or proposed new state law, whichever is required.

Coun. WHITE in the chair.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

CIRCULATION OF MATERIAL CONTAINING COMMUNIST PROPAGANDA.

Coun. AHEARN offered the following:

Whereas, The City Council fully recognizes that Communism is a philosophy of life not only with economic, social and governmental aspects but is also based on atheistic materialism and seeks to overthrow by unlawful means God and religion as well as our government; and

Whereas, The City Council recognizes that apart from certain legal technicalities we are at present as a practical matter "At War with Russia" whose agents are daily engaged in the slaughter of Americans on the battlefields of Korea while other agents of Russia engage in an insidious "War of Words and Ideas," right here at home; and

Whereas, The manner and policy of the Boston Public Library in expending the taxpayers' money for the purchase and circulation of books and reading material containing communist propaganda and doctrine has been called into question, now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the trustees and the director and librarian of the Boston Public Library are hereby called upon to appear before the Committee on Appropriations upon the receipt of notice from the chairman for the purpose of stating and explaining the library's policies in spending moneys appropriated by the City Council on reading matter containing communist propaganda and doctrine and to inform the City Council on the procedures and practices followed in the purchase and circulation of said reading matter.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

LIST OF PRIVATE FUNDS AND BEQUESTS.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:

Ordered, That the Corporation Counsel be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to prepare a list of all of the outstanding private funds in which the city of Boston or any of its agencies are beneficiaries; and, be it further

Ordered, That said list set forth the clause designating the amount of the bequest, and the purposes for which said funds may be used; and be it further

Ordered, That said list be forwarded to the City Council.

The order was assigned to the next meeting, as unfinished business.

Adjourned at 3.38 P.M., on motion of Councillor Hailer, to meet on Monday, October 6, 1952, 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 6, 1952.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President PIEMONTE in the chair. Absent, Councillor Ward.

Reverend Martin U. McCabe of St. Patrick's Catholic Church, Roxbury, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY REV. MARTIN
U. McCABE.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

Let us pray.

We pray Thee, O God of might, wisdom, and justice, through Whom authority is rightly administered, laws are enacted, and judgment decreed, assist, with Thy spirit of counsel and fortitude, the members of this assembly—that their administrations may be conducted in righteousness, and be eminently useful to Thy people, over whom they preside, by encouraging due respect for virtue and religion; by faithful execution of the laws in justice and mercy. Let the light of Thy divine wisdom direct their deliberations and shine forth in all their proceedings, so that they may tend to the preservation of peace and the promotion of happiness. Amen.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

JURORS DRAWN.

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

Thirty-nine traverse jurors, Superior Criminal Court, to appear November 3, 1952:

Frank DiNicolantonio, Ward 1; Louis DiNocco, Ward 1; Herbert Fay, Ward 1; Frank Scire, Ward 1; Albert L. Tango, Ward 1; Anthony Bonanno, Ward 3; Maurice V. Laponta, Ward 3; Perry G. Jameson, Ward 4; Lillian M. Madison, Ward 4; Leo F. Donovan, Ward 5; Joseph Kovner, Ward 5; Philip Rubin, Ward 5; John W. Fitzgerald, Ward 7; John D. McCormack, Ward 7; Michael J. O'Toole, Ward 7; Richard M. Holmes, Ward 9; Ethlyn T. Walker, Ward 9; Anna T. Buckley, Ward 10; Catherine Leftin, Ward 10; Patrick Conlon, Ward 11; Edward T. Fitzgerald, Ward 11; Gregory H. Keefe, Ward 11; Robert L. Washington, Ward 11; Guy Sherman, Ward 12; Arthur Weeks, Ward 12; Lillian M. Aaron, Ward 13; Kenneth R. Jameson, Ward 13; Lena V. Clem, Ward 14; Samuel Goodstein, Ward 14; Cornelius J. Mahoney, Ward 15; Stephen W. McCarthy, Ward 17; Dorothy Roffey, Ward 18; Albert E. Anderson, Ward 19; Harry O. Craig, Ward 19; John R. Holdsworth, Ward 20; Milner H. Wiswall, Ward 20; Bernice L. Carr, Ward 21; Richard McDonough, Ward 21; Arthur H. Payne, Ward 22.

One hundred fifty-seven traverse jurors, Superior Civil Court, to appear November 3, 1952:

Emma M. Ardini, Ward 1; Olaf D. Berg, Ward 1; Diego Ciarfella, Ward 1; Giovanni A. Cornetta, Ward 1; Nicholas DiFiore, Ward 1; Paul F. Doyle, Ward 1; Joseph Ferraro, Ward 1; Joseph Francis, Ward 1; Margaret

Gurliaccio, Ward 1; Charles A. Lahti, Ward 1; Philip Luongo, Ward 1; Lillian McInnis, Ward 1; Henry F. McKay, Ward 1; F. Frederick Moynihan, Ward 1; Dorothea O'Leary, Ward 1; Roland A. Scopa, Ward 1; Vincent Spagnolo, Ward 1; Frank Vasco, Ward 1; Harold V. Connell, Ward 2; James Joseph Flanagan, Ward 2; Anthony A. Kerrigan, Ward 2; Richard J. Murphy, Ward 2; John Riordan, Ward 2; Paul J. Senesi, Ward 2; Joseph Francis DiMasi, Ward 3; Salvatore M. Pasano, Ward 3; John M. Haggerty, Ward 3; Cecelia M. Kelley, Ward 3; Stella Monaco, Ward 3; Lillian Spardorcia, Ward 3; William II. Wilkerson, Ward 3; Gerald J. Barry, Ward 4; Alfred B. Barton, Ward 4; Edgar H. Greenhood, Ward 4; Joseph Groshouse, Ward 4; Katherine Scarver, Ward 4.

H. Wallace Bazley, Ward 5; Allen Berg, Ward 5; Dorothy Cody, Ward 5; Andrew W. Diggdon, Ward 5; James A. Martin, Ward 5; Dorothy A. Page, Ward 5; Joseph A. Furbush, Ward 5; Rachel H. Ritchie, Ward 5; Carlton M. Strong, Ward 5; Umberto Tagliani, Ward 5; Anna Tattan, Ward 5; Robert J. Young, Ward 5; Louis H. Zeramy, Ward 5; John Enos, Ward 6; John M. Hayes, Ward 6; Michael Kelly, Ward 6; Robert W. Kennedy, Ward 6; Oscar E. Lavoie, Ward 6; Edward W. O'Connor, Ward 6; Francis J. Santry, Ward 6; Francis J. Scott, Ward 6; Arthur J. Wigley, Ward 6; Philmore A. Willey, Ward 6; Patrick V. Barron, Ward 7; Joseph J. Conley, Ward 7; Roger W. Constien, Ward 7; Walter J. Holland, Ward 7; Eugene J. Latanowich, Ward 7; Timothy J. O'Keefe, Ward 7; John J. Buckley, Ward 8; Victor S. Hamaty, Ward 8; Rufus Robert Lamphere, Ward 8; Iride Migliarina, Ward 8; Alfred Schacht, Ward 8; Aubrey L. Thomson, Ward 9.

Howard R. Allen, Ward 10; Catherine E. Hogan, Ward 10; Frank S. Martin, Ward 10; James O'Rourke, Ward 10; Harry J. Thompson, Ward 10; John Crimmins, Ward 11; Frances M. Fay, Ward 11; Emery B. Graham, Ward 11; Karl P. Johanson, Ward 11; Joseph F. Kelley, Ward 11; Bertha L. McAtteer, Ward 11; Albert A. Parker, Ward 11; Henry Samuel, Ward 11; William T. Toorks, Ward 11; John J. Coffey, Ward 12; Arthur R. Cohen, Ward 12; Ralph Landy, Ward 12; George H. Trask, Ward 12; Dennis Doherty, Ward 13; Coleman Feeney, Ward 13; John Everett Gregory, Ward 13; Sadie Nee, Ward 13; James L. Murray, Ward 13; Samuel L. Sholk, Ward 13; Alexander Tokaroff, Ward 13; Francis A. Tondorf, Ward 13; John A. Walker, Ward 13; Robert C. Wilson, Ward 13; Irving Betterman, Ward 14; Gilbert King, Ward 14; Phillip Landon, Ward 14; Anna Mazer, Ward 14; Samuel M. Mirkin, Ward 14; Seymour Paris, Ward 14; Abraham Pollin, Ward 14; Harold Slobzberg, Ward 14; Boleslaw Wolk, Ward 14.

Andrew MacDougall, Ward 15; Patrick H. O'Reilly, Ward 15; John J. Shamber, Ward 15; George F. Borstell, Ward 16; Theresa Connor, Ward 16; James Healy, Ward 16; John V. Hood, Ward 16; William F. Leonard, Ward 16; Robert F. Lowder, Ward 16; John J. McGonigle, Ward 16; Edmund G. Thmae, Ward 16; Manuel Hatch, Ward 17; Francis D. O'Leary, Ward 17; Joseph P. O'Leary, Ward 17; Louis M. Bauer, Ward 18; Albert Beaulieu, Ward 18; S. Lowell Clark, Ward 18; Marcus Engelsman, Ward 18; Walter R. Estabrook, Ward 18; Genevieve A. Fitzwilliam, Ward 18; Lester W. Hayden, Ward 18; Vincent J. King, Ward 18; Edward J. Meagher, Ward 18; Richard P. Philips, Ward 18; Horace Travaglino, Ward 18; Chester G. Bowen, Ward 19; Anna E. Daly, Ward 19; William F. Daly, Jr., Ward 19; William D. Hunter, Ward 19; Warren R. Keefe, Ward 19; Allen Latham, Jr., Ward 19; John J. Manning, Ward 19; Elsie R. Parson, Ward 19; John F. Valinote, Ward 19; Kenneth W. Bradway, Ward 20; George H. Christopher, Ward 20; Thomas Cooney, Ward 20; Lloyd F. Eldridge, Ward 20; Ruth M. Gibbons, Ward 20; Dennis R. Hayes, Ward 20; James A. Surette, Ward 20; Harry C. Garland, Ward 21; Joseph Peters, Ward 21; David J. Peterson, Ward 21; Arthur J. Prendergast, Ward 21;

Samuel J. Sharff, Ward 21; Robert Sneerson, Ward 21; Joseph H. Felton, Jr., Ward 22; F. Charles Palmer, Ward 22.

APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR.

Subject to confirmation by the Council the Mayor submitted the appointment of Albert R. Cameron, 98 Massachusetts avenue, Arlington, as Weigher of Coal, for term ending April 30, 1953.

Referred to the Committee on Confirmations.

VETOS OF ORDERS FOR ANNUITIES.

The following were received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, October 3, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I am returning herewith, disapproved, the order passed by your Honorable Body on September 22, 1952, granting under section 89A of chapter 32 of the General Laws an annuity for the widow and a daughter of the late Patrick E. Carroll.

Before an annuity can be granted under the statute cited, it must, by the express terms of the statute, be proven to the satisfaction of the Mayor and City Council that the death of the deceased was the natural and proximate result of an accident occurring, or of undergoing a hazard peculiar to his employment, while he was acting in the performance and within the scope of his duty. My objection to the order returned herewith is that, in Mr. Carroll's case, this fact has not yet been proven to my satisfaction. The Medical Board, in reaching the conclusion it did, appears to have relied on the so-called "heart law" (G. L. [Ter. Ed.] c. 32, s. 94, as amended); but I question the application of that act here. Coronary sclerosis was present; but as the death certificate shows, there were also two other causes of death. My recommendation is that the case be remanded to the Medical Board to consider anew after consultation with the Corporation Counsel.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, October 3, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I am returning herewith, disapproved, the order passed by your Honorable Body on September 22, 1952, granting under section 89A of chapter 32 of the General Laws an annuity for the widow of the late Edward J. Russell.

Before an annuity can be granted under the statute cited, it must, by the express terms of the statute, be proven to the satisfaction of the Mayor and City Council that the death of the deceased was the natural and proximate result of an accident occurring, or of undergoing a hazard peculiar to his employment, while he was acting in the performance and within the scope of his duty. My objection to the order returned herewith is that, in Mr. Russell's case, this fact has not yet been proven to my satisfaction. The Medical Board, in reaching the conclusion it did, appears to have relied on the so-called "heart law" (G. L. [Ter. Ed.] c. 32, s. 94, as amended); but I question the application of that act here. Cardiac decompensation was present; but, as the death certificate shows, there were also two other causes of death. My recommendation is that the case be remanded to the Medical Board to consider anew after consultation with the Corporation Counsel.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, October 3, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I am returning herewith, disapproved, the order passed by your Honorable Body on Sep-

tember 29, 1952, granting under section 89A of chapter 32 of the General Laws an annuity for the widow of the late John J. Sullivan.

Before an annuity can be granted under the statute cited, it must, by the express terms of the statute, be proven to the satisfaction of the Mayor and City Council that the death of the deceased was the natural and proximate result of an accident occurring, or of undergoing a hazard peculiar to his employment, while he was acting in the performance and within the scope of his duty. My objection to the order returned herewith is that, in Mr. Sullivan's case, this fact has not yet been proven to my satisfaction. The Medical Board, in reaching the conclusion it did, appears to have relied on the so-called "heart law" (G. L. [Ter. Ed.] c. 32, s. 94, as amended); but I question the application of that act here. Coronary occlusion was present; but, as the death certificate shows, there was also another cause of death. My recommendation is that the case be remanded to the Medical Board to consider anew after consultation with the Corporation Counsel.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Severally referred to the Executive Committee.

CLOSING OF RAILROAD TUNNEL.

The following were received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, September 30, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the General Manager of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad Company relative to your order of September 8, 1952, requesting that the abandoned tunnel, which is located on railroad property at Clifton and Dudley streets, Roxbury, be closed, for the protection of the children in that area.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad Company,

September 26, 1952.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

Your letter of September 10 transmitting City Council order of September 8 requesting the closing of abandoned tunnel located on railroad property at Clifton and Dudley streets, Roxbury, was received, and this is now being given attention.

Very truly yours,

P. R. GOULETT.

Placed on file.

APPROPRIATION FROM PARKMAN FUND INCOME.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, October 2, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of the attached communication from the Board of Park Commissioners requesting the appropriation of \$30,000 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 1952 budget estimates of the personal service requirements of the Park Department included an estimate of the total income of \$183,000 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 \$30,000, the accrued income now

available from the Parkman Fund, and respectfully recommend its immediate passage by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, October 1, 1952.
Hon. John B. Hynes,
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 \$30,000, 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..... \$30,000

When making up the budget estimates for the year 1952, a sum equal to the total yearly income of the George F. Parkman Fund was deducted from Item 100, Permanent Employees, with the understanding that this deduction was to be replaced by the total yearly income of said Parkman Fund for 1952, to be transferred as it accrued from time to time during the year to the regular maintenance appropriation of the Park Department.

Respectfully yours,
FRANK R. KELLEY, Chairman.

Ordered, That the sum of thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) 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..... \$30,000

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Finance.

TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATION TO
LAW DEPARTMENT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 6, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of the attached request from the Corporation Counsel for an additional appropriation of \$40,000 to be used for the payment of bills incurred for professional and technical services.

This appropriation is required for the employment of real estate experts as appraisers in connection with the trial of cases before the Appellate Tax Board. The Appellate Tax Board has speeded up its trial of cases and during November it has scheduled two cases a day for five days a week as compared with one case a day for four days a week. In addition there have been extraordinary expenditures in connection with the trial of the tax cases of the Boston Consolidated Gas Company. The original appropriation of \$95,000 was reduced by the Council to approximately \$55,000.

In view of the above circumstances, therefore, it will be impossible for the Law Department to meet its obligations for these purposes within the reduced appropriation of \$55,000.

There is forwarded herewith an order transferring the sum of \$40,000 from the Reserve Fund to the Law Department budget, upon which prompt and favorable action is recommended by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully yours,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Law Department, September 29, 1952.
Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

Request is hereby made for the transfer from available sources of the sum of \$40,000 to our Law Department Appropriation, Group 2, Contractual Services, Class 230, Professional and Technical Services.

The expenditures made for this class of services are incidental to the preparation and trial of cases. Our original request for this group was for \$108,700; this amount was reduced by his Honor the Mayor to \$95,000; and later the amount was reduced by the Council to approximately \$55,000. A large portion of this item has always been required in connection with the trial of cases before the Appellate Tax Board for the employment of real estate experts as appraisers and as witnesses. This Board is now doubling the schedule of cases with assessed valuations of \$100,000 and over; and beginning the middle of November it has scheduled two cases a day for five days a week as compared with the former practice of scheduling one case a day for four days a week.

In addition there have been extraordinary expenditures in connection with the trial of the tax cases of the Boston Consolidated Gas Company—for the employment of special counsel and of special experts and for the cost of court reporting over an extended period—all of which have placed an unusually heavy burden on this item.

The above request for \$40,000 is our best possible estimate; it is, of course, impossible ever to accurately foretell expenses arising out of litigation.

Yours very truly,
WILLIAM L. BAXTER,
Corporation Counsel.

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, \$40,000, to the appropriation for Law Department, 2, Contractual Services, \$40,000.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATION TO
WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 6, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of the attached request from the Corporation Counsel for an additional appropriation of \$50,000 for Workmen's Compensation payments.

When the original appropriation of \$150,000 was approved by the Council it was not anticipated that the city would be liable for claims that have been outstanding for several years and which amounted to \$35,000. Three of these pending cases alone amounted to approximately \$15,000. In addition to these definite payments there are several cases now pending which without doubt will be decided against the city, for which payments must be made before the end of the year. It is estimated that these payments will amount to approximately \$20,000.

In order to provide for the above mentioned payments and the regular injury rolls, this sum of \$50,000 will be needed.

There is forwarded herewith an order transferring the sum of \$50,000 from the Reserve Fund and prompt and favorable action is recommended by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, 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, \$50,000, to the appropriation for Workmen's Compensation, \$50,000.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

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

Claims.

Ruth Bell, for compensation for injuries caused by fire apparatus.

Nora Broderick, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Third street, South Boston.

Raymond A. Carlson, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect in Sydney street.

Frederick P. DeConinck, to be reimbursed for expenses incurred at 37 Glenhaven road, West Roxbury, caused by leak in water pipe.

Ellen M. Divver, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 1261 Commonwealth avenue.

Corinna R. Edgerton, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Doris H. Farley, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at Wayland and Dacia streets.

Mary M. Fitzgerald, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 10 Gibson street.

Esther Gidez, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 16 Oxford street.

Josephine U. Gill, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 144 Tremont street.

Virginia G. Hall, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Frederick E. Johnson, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect at 80 Cummins Highway.

Joseph R. Kenney, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 54 Salem street.

Harry Liebman, trustee, for compensation for damage to property at 27 Burbank street, caused by explosion of hydrant.

James F. Lydon, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Sanitary Division.

Charles Maloof, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Sewer Division.

John J. McDonald, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at Congress and Sleeper streets.

Paul J. McGowan, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Sabina McHugh, for compensation for damage to property at 135 Brown avenue, caused by car of Public Works Department.

Matthew J. Moylan, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Sewer Division.

Helen L. Murphy, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect at South Huntington avenue.

Alfred Mustone, to be reimbursed for license fees for manufacturing sherbet.

New England Industries, for compensation for damage to car by car of Fire Department.

Simon Novick, doing business as Ice Cream Service, for compensation for loss by spoilage of ice cream at 314 Roxbury street, caused by water being shut off.

Leslie F. Perry, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect in Harrison avenue.

Joseph E. Rigney, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in City Square Bridge.

Barney Rosenthal, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 10 Cobb street.

James M. Waters, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Police Department.

William W. Wright, for compensation for damage to car by city car.

John B. Davis, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Sanitary Division.

Mrs. Doherty, for compensation for damage to property at 86 Washington street, Charlestown, caused by balls thrown from Emmons Playground.

Charles J. Doran, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Hospital Department.

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

Licenses.

Petitions to operate bowling alleys on the Lord's Day:

Columbia Billiard Company, Nicholas Camels, 558 Columbia road, Dorchester Ward 13.

German Workingmen's Association, by Joseph R. Burkart, 22 Amory avenue, Roxbury, Ward 11.

Margaret M. Johns, 1453 Dorchester avenue, Dorchester, Ward 15.

Kenmore Bowladrome, Inc., Morris Vigoda, 82 Landsdowne street, Ward 5.

Mount Pleasant Bowling and Billiards, by John F. McLaughlin, 590 Dudley street, Roxbury, Ward 8.

Park Square Bowladrome, Inc., by Joseph Bonigli, 162 Columbus avenue, Boston, Ward 5.

PETITIONS FOR ANNUITIES.

Petition of Anna E. Feeney, to be paid annuity on account of the death of her husband, John J. Feeney, late member of the Police Department.

Petition of Charlotte A. Fleming, to be paid annuity on account of the death of her husband, James A. Fleming, late member of the Police Department.

Petition of Thelma T. O'Connor, to be paid annuity on account of the death of her husband, John J. O'Connor, late member of the Police Department.

Petition of Mary A. Spitz, to be paid annuity on account of the death of her husband, Frank J. Spitz, late member of the Police Department.

Severally referred to the Committee on Claims.

PETITION FOR RETIREMENT.

The petition of Frederick W. Proctor, chief probation officer of the District Court of Chelsea, for retirement was received.

Referred to the Committee on Claims.

PETITION FOR INDEMNIFICATION.

The petition of Wells C. Carey, Boston Fire Department, for indemnification for hospital, surgical, medical and nursing expenses, was received.

Referred to the Committee on Claims.

NOTICE OF INTEREST IN CONTRACT.

Notice was received from Samuel J. Tomasello, member of the Board of Appeal, of interest in contracts between the City of Boston and S. J. Tomasello Corporation.

Placed on file.

APPOINTMENT OF DANIEL O. STEELE.

Notice was received from the Board of Assessors of appointment of Daniel O. Steele, 65 Alban street, Dorchester, Mass., as temporary first assistant assessor, effective Oc-

tober 6, 1952, at salary of \$326 per month, vice George F. Cronin on temporary transfer to position of deputy assessor.

Referred to the Committee on Confirmations.

VOTE ON RENT CONTROL.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Board of Election Commissioners,
October 3, 1952.

Walter J. Malloy, Esq.,
City Clerk.

Dear Sir:

We hereby certify that at the State Primaries held on September 16, 1952, the vote upon the Rent Control Question in this city was as follows:

Yes 116,262
No 30,956

Very truly yours,
JOSEPH RUSSO,
GERTRUDE A. PFAU,
DAVID LASKER,
PERLIE DYAR CHASE.

Board of Election Commissioners of Boston.
Placed on file.

LIST OF PRIVATE FUNDS AND BEQUESTS.

Coun. PIEMONTE called up under unfinished business No. 1 on the calendar, viz.:

1. Order of Councillor Piemonte requesting a list of all private funds in which the City of Boston, or its agencies, are beneficiaries; the amount of the bequests and the purposes for which said funds may be used. The order was passed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LICENSES.

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

1. Report on petitions (referred September 22) for license to operate bowling alleys on the Lord's Day, viz.:

Blue Hill Bowlway, Samuel Epstein, 6 Livingstone street, Dorchester.

Bond Bowling and Billiards, Inc., Edward H. Margolis, 615 Washington street, Boston.

Boston Daylight Alleys, Antonio Botta, 107 Cambridge 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.

Commonwealth Recreation Bowling Alleys, Joseph Grant, 1105 Commonwealth avenue, Brighton.

Eagle Bowling Alleys, Joseph Grant, 2355 Washington street, Roxbury.

Huntington 55 Alleys, Inc., Edward H. Margolis, 253A Huntington avenue, Boston.

Hyde Square Bowlway, Angelo Iorio, 403 Centre street, Jamaica Plain.

Lee S. King, 464-468 Blue Hill avenue, Dorchester.

Marie Kittrell, 216 Hanover street, Boston.

Lucky Strike Alleys, Joseph Bonighi, 289 Adams street, Dorchester.

Mattapan Bowladrome, Samuel Orren, 1348 Blue Hill avenue, Mattapan.

Maverick Garden Bowladrome, Angelo Vozzella, 2 Maverick square, East Boston.

Miah J. Murray, Inc., John F. Ierardi, 1156 Washington street, Boston.

Dominic Rubbico, 4264 Washington street, Roslindale.

South Station Bowling Alleys, Joseph Grant, 669 Atlantic avenue, Boston.

Talbot Bowladrome, Sumner Ross, 56 Talbot avenue, Dorchester.

20th Century Billiard Company, M. J. Hynes, treasurer, 1231-1241 Hyde Park avenue, Hyde Park.

West Roxbury Bowling Center, Walter C. Dennison, 119 Park street, West Roxbury.

Recommending that licenses be granted.

2. Report on petitions (referred September 29) for license to operate bowling alleys on the Lord's Day, viz.:

Codman Square Bowlway, George H. Kevorikian, 649 Washington street, Dorchester.

Columbia Recreation, Joseph Rubbico, 707A Columbia road, Dorchester.

Fenway Alleys, Inc., Albert H. Slate, 136 Massachusetts avenue, Boston.

King Pin Alleys, Amos E. Cowan, 200 Huntington avenue, Boston.

New Allston Alleys, John E. Hayes, 137 Brighton avenue, Allston.

North Station Bowling Alleys, Joseph A. Bruno, 222½ Friend street, Boston.

Olindys South Station Alleys, Inc., Albert H. Slate, treasurer, basement, South Station, Atlantic avenue, Boston.

Webster Bowling Alleys, Louis J. Pumphrey, 26 Taber street, Roxbury.

West Roxbury Liederkrantz, Lee M. Jekowski, 46 Rockland street, West Roxbury.

Recommending that licenses be granted.

The report was accepted, and the licenses were severally granted under the usual conditions.

3. Report on notice (referred August 25) from Department of Public Utilities of re-opening for rehearing joint petition of Boston Consolidated Gas Company and Old Colony Gas Company for approval of merger and issuance of stock—that same be placed on file.

Report on notice (referred September 29) from Department of Public Utilities of hearing on petition of Airways Transportation Company to amend certificate and establish alternate routes between Manger, Bradford and Lenox Hotels and the airport—that same be placed on file.

Report on notice (referred August 25) from Department of Public Utilities of hearing on petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority for operation of motor vehicles over Washington street, West Roxbury—that same be placed on file.

Report on notice (referred August 25) from Department of Public Utilities of hearing on petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority for license to operate motor vehicles over Tremont street and Washington street, Brighton—that same be placed on file.

Report on notice (referred August 25) from Department of Public Utilities of hearing on petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority for license to operate motor vehicles over Washington street and through Forest Hills Station, West Roxbury—that same be placed on file.

Report on notice (referred August 25) from Department of Public Utilities of hearing on petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority to erect pole on Burnett street, at Washington street, West Roxbury—that same be placed on file.

Report on notice (referred September 22) from Department of Public Utilities of hearing on rates and charges of Western Union Telegraph Company—that same be placed on file.

Report on notice (referred September 22) from Department of Public Utilities of hearing on petition of Boston Edison Company to erect poles on West Boundary road, Hyde Park—that same be placed on file.

Report on notice (referred July 14) from Department of Public Utilities of hearing on petition of State Airport Management Board for license to fill in Boston Harbor at East Boston—that same be placed on file.

The reports were accepted and the notices were severally placed on file.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFIRMATIONS.

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

1. Report on appointment by the Mayor of Wilfred J. Doyle (referred September 29) to be member of Boston Retirement Board for the term ending September 30, 1955—that appointment be confirmed.

The report was accepted, and the question came on confirmation. The clerk called the roll and the appointment was confirmed, yeas 7, nays 0:

Yeas—Councillors Ahearn, Foley, Hurley, Joyce, Kerrigan, Piemonte, White—7.

Nays—0.

2. Report on appointment of Charles H. Collins (referred September 22) as Weigher of Goods for term ending April 30, 1953—recommending that appointment be confirmed.

The report was accepted, and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councillors Ahearn and Foley. Whole number of ballots 7, yeas 7, and the appointment was confirmed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOSPITALS.

Coun. FOLEY, for the Committee on Hospitals, made the following oral report:

I report that on Friday, October 3, 1952, I attended the meeting of the trustees of the Boston City Hospital according to the invitation which they forwarded to us in lieu of appearing at the committee meeting which we held a week ago last Thursday. It should be understood that their invitation was for the councillors to appear before the trustees and to ask such questions of the trustees as the councillors might see fit to ask. It was not an invitation to attend the entire meeting of the Board of Trustees, and the trustees simply permitted me to appear before them at part of the meeting and ask such questions as I might have had in mind.

I expressed to the trustees the regret of the Council and the feeling of the Council that, in matters which have a direct bearing on the budgetary procedure of the Council, the City Council felt it should expect and was entitled to much greater cooperation from the Board of Trustees, the supervisors, the superintendent, and assistant director of the hospital than it received a week ago last Thursday. The Board of Trustees explained that for 10 years they have had a policy of not appearing at hearings, and that policy covered the superintendent and the assistant director. I expressed to them the fact that the Council in no way accepted that policy, and we agreed to disagree on that matter.

As to the various matters mentioned in the Finance Commission report, I discussed with them as much of them as I could, and in general, the impression I received was that they are trying to correct such deficiencies as were reported in the report, but that the problem is one of great magnitude and it will take some time to accomplish substantial results.

The report was accepted.

DEATH OF JAMES H. DOYLE.

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:

Whereas, James H. Doyle, a life-long resident of Boston, served his neighbors and all citizens of Boston with outstanding distinction as a member of the House of Representatives, Board of Aldermen and the State Senate; and

Whereas, During his entire lifetime of unselfish service to his community he won the affection and confidence of all with whom he came in contact, especially those who were burdened with worldly troubles, and sought his counsel and guidance as their leader and advisor; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the members of the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, extend their heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved family of the Hon. James H. Doyle and stand for one minute in silent prayer out of respect for the passing of so honorable and distinguished a citizen of our city.

The resolution was adopted by a unanimous rising vote.

REQUESTING REPLIES TO CERTAIN ORDERS.

Coun. FOLEY offered the following: Whereas, The below enumerated questions have been submitted to his Honor the Mayor under section 17F of the City Charter:

1. Questions concerning voting machines, submitted on July 17, 1952.

2. Question relative to possibility of compliance with City Council resolution requesting monthly informal conferences with his Honor the Mayor, submitted on July 14, 1952.

3. Questions concerning status of all city employees before and after the reclassification plan, submitted June 23, 1952.

4. Questions concerning off-street parking facilities in Roslindale, submitted July 17, 1952; and

Whereas, In each instance, the statutory period as allowed in the respective orders, has elapsed; he it therefore

Resolved, That the City Council requests his Honor the Mayor to submit the replies to these various questions if they are prepared, or if the answers are not prepared as yet, to submit a status report to the City Council indicating when such replies will be ready for submission to the City Council.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

ROPING OFF STREETS FOR COLUMBUS DAY PARADE.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following: Ordered, That the City Messenger be authorized to rope off the streets for the annual Columbus Day parade, to be held on October 12, 1952, the expense of same to be charged to the City Council appropriation for Ropes, Flags, and Stakes.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

CALL FOR STATE ELECTION NOVEMBER 4.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:

Ordered, That meetings of the citizens of the City of Boston, qualified to vote for state officers, be held at the several polling places designated for the purpose by the Board of Election Commissioners on Tuesday, the fourth day of November, 1952, for the election of Presidential Electors, Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary, Treasurer, Auditor, Attorney General, Senator in Congress, Representatives in Congress, Councillor, Senator, Representatives in General Court (1, 2, or 3), Clerk of Supreme Judicial Court, Clerk of Superior Court for Civil Business, Clerk of Superior Court for Criminal Business, Register of Deeds; also to give in their votes "Yes" or "No" on the following question:

A. Shall licenses be granted in this city (or town) for the sale therein of all alcoholic beverages (whiskey, rum, gin, malt beverages, wines and all other alcoholic beverages)?

YES	
NO	

B. Shall licenses be granted in this city (or town) for the sale therein of wines and malt beverages (wines and beer, ale and all other malt beverages)?

YES	
NO	

C. Shall licenses be granted in this city (or town) for the sale therein of all alcoholic beverages in packages, so called, not to be drunk on the premises?

YES	
NO	

The polls at said meetings shall be opened at eight o'clock A.M. and closed at eight 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 rules.

SUSPENSION OF CERTAIN SECTIONS OF GENERAL LAWS.

Coun. PIEMONTE 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 question to be voted upon at the State Election to be held on November 4, 1952.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

RECESS.

On motion of Councillor Joyce the Council voted to take a recess at 3.11 P.M., subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled in the Council Chamber and were called to order by President PIEMONTE at 4.20 P.M.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

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

1. Report on resolution (referred September 22) favoring expansion of professional

staff of City Planning Board—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the resolution was adopted.

2. Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred today) for transfer of appropriation of \$50,000 to Workmen's Compensation—recommending reference to the Committee on Appropriations and Finance.

Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred today) for transfer of \$40,000 from Reserve Fund to Law Department—recommending reference to the Committee on Appropriations and Finance.

The reports were accepted, and the orders were severally referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Finance.

THE NEXT MEETING.

On motion of Councillor Ahearn the Council voted that when it adjourn, it be to meet on Monday, October 20, 1952, at 2 P.M.

Adjourned at 4.24 P.M., on motion of Councillor Kerrigan, to meet on Monday, October 20, 1952, 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 20, 1952.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President PIEMONTE in the chair. Absent, Councillors Ward and White.

The Reverend Patrick C. Callaghan, O.F.M., of St. Anthony's Shrine, Arch street, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY REV. PATRICK C. CALLAGHAN.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

We begin, O Blessed Trinity, in Thy Name, that we may know what we are to do and how we ought to act so that with Thy help we may please Thee in all things. Be Thou alone the Author and the Finisher of our judgments, that our city and the welfare of our people will be safeguarded in Thy Spirit. Suffer us not to disturb the order of justice, Thou who lovest equity above all things. Let not ignorance draw us into devious paths nor partiality sway our minds. Let not respect of persons or riches pervert our judgment; but unite us to Thee that we may never forsake the truth.

Inasmuch as we begin in Thy Name, so may we in all things hold fast to justice tempered by charity and understanding, that in the life to come we may attain to everlasting rewards for deeds well done. Amen.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR.

Subject to confirmation by the Council, the Mayor submitted the appointment of William G. Peters, 9 Medford court, Boston, as constable with authority to serve civil process upon filing of bond, for term ending April 30, 1953.

Referred to the Committee on Confirmations.

INFORMATION REQUESTED FROM DEPARTMENTS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 8, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

With respect to the order adopted by your Honorable Body at its meeting October 6, requesting information on various matters, please be informed that I have forwarded to the departments concerned the requests for the varied information desired, and I will in turn forward this information to your Body upon its receipt.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Placed on file.

INSTALLATION OF ELECTRIC LIGHTS ON EAST FIFTH STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 20, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of the Public Works Department relative to your order of September 29, 1952, requesting the installation of electric lights on East

Fifth street, South Boston, to replace the present gas lamps, and to generally improve the lighting facilities in that area.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
October 10, 1952.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Mr. Shannon:

This is in reference to the following order that was passed in the City Council under date of September 29:

"Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to promptly arrange for the installation of electric lights on East Fifth street, South Boston, to replace the present gas lamps, and to generally improve the lighting facilities in that area."

There are still approximately 4,500 gas lamps located in the streets of the city, and we have made every reasonable effort to replace them with modern electric luminaries. However, the progress during the current year has been slow, due to the fact that the Boston Edison Company is unable to obtain the necessary supplies, and also because—in most instances—the Edison facilities are not readily available. Most of the streets in which gas lights are located at the present time have underground Edison facilities or so-called rear lot construction; that is, the overhead wires are located in the rear of properties.

Under the circumstances, therefore, the change of the existing 4,500 gas lamps to electric street lights will be much slower and costlier than in the past. However, we are pledged to a program which provides for the complete elimination of all gas lamps from the streets of the city as soon as possible. Practically every street in the city that is illuminated by means of gas lamps may be considered to be inadequately lighted, and, therefore, in general, no street or area should have any priority over any others. We have followed such a policy in the past, and we have depended upon the engineers of the Boston Edison Company to establish and carry out a program which would provide for the maximum amount of conversions from gas to electricity in the shortest possible time. Therefore, the Edison Company has concentrated its work in those streets in which carrying poles are located, and where the conversion from gas to electric can be effected by the simple expedient of attaching a bracket to carrying poles. This policy has worked satisfactorily, and unquestionably has resulted in more conversions in 1951 and 1952 than in any comparable two-year period.

As stated, the only reason for the slow-down during the current year is the inability of the Edison Company to obtain the necessary supplies, and also because most of the streets left in the program to be converted from gas to electricity have no carrying poles or readily available electrical facilities.

However, insofar as the above-referenced order is concerned, I am perfectly agreeable to having the gas lights on East Fifth street and other streets in that area removed, and electric lights substituted, as soon as possible, and I have, therefore, sent a copy of the order and this communication to the Boston Edison Company, and have requested them to make every reasonable effort to comply with the provisions of said order.

Respectfully yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

INFORMATION RE VOTING MACHINES.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 20, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Chairman of the Board of Election Commissioners relative to an order adopted by your Honorable Body in which information was requested concerning voting machines.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Board of Election Commissioners,
October 8, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

This is in answer to order adopted by the City Council in which they request information concerning voting machines. We are setting forth below our answers to the several questions contained in said order.

1. The City of Boston now uses 718 Shoup voting machines, and, in addition, at the Presidential Election in November we shall use 100 Automatic voting machines.

2. The City of Boston, through the Board of Election Commissioners, recently contracted for the purchase of 700 Automatic voting machines, which are manual in operation and are manufactured by the Automatic Voting Machine Corporation of Jamestown, New York.

3. The cost of the Shoup voting machines was \$1,396 per machine, f. o. b. Canton, Ohio. The cost of the Automatic voting machine is \$1,303.50, to be delivered to designated polling places.

4-5. Elections are held in Boston at the rate of nine to every four years. We believe that, with voting machines installed throughout the city, the City of Boston would be able to save approximately \$200,000 below present costs in each such four-year period. This will be accomplished by the consolidation of voting precincts which will reduce in number the staff of election officers and custodians of polling places, and will eliminate overtime for the personnel in the Election Department and custodians of school buildings.

May we point out that if the use of paper ballots was to continue it would become imperative to offer some relief to election officers who were compelled to work all night counting and tabulating votes. The Board is of the belief that the only solution would have been to appoint a second set of election officers who would report at the close of the polls to do the counting and tabulating. This would have increased the costs of election officers by about \$30,000 per function.

6. The voting machine ballots will differ on both machines. The Shoup is a vertical ballot and the Automatic is a horizontal type.

May we say in closing that, aside from Boston's particular problem, it seems certain that the automatic method of voting eventually will replace the use of paper ballots throughout the Commonwealth. The entire State of New York now is using them, to the exclusion of all other methods as well as Rhode Island and Connecticut. Philadelphia is completely mechanized, and the State of Florida is gradually becoming mechanized. Within the past few years, the City of Pittsfield and the town of Brookline, which has tried voting machines thoroughly over a long test period, completed the transition from ballot boxes to voting machines in all precincts.

Respectfully yours,
BOARD OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS,
JOSEPH RUSSO, Chairman.

Placed on file.

SALE OF PIGS BY PENAL INSTITUTIONS DEPARTMENT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 20, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of a communication from the Penal Institution Commissioner, attached herewith, requesting authority to sell one hundred (100) pigs at a price of approximately three thousand dollars (\$3,000).

I am in favor of the sale of these surplus pigs to the highest bidder, and respectfully request approval of the accompanying order by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Penal Institutions Department,
October 9, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

This department has a surplus of one hundred (100) pigs at the House of Correction, Deer Island,

which we would like to sell. These pigs weigh about one hundred and fifty (150) pounds each, a total of fifteen thousand (15,000) pounds.

At the present market price the City of Boston should receive approximately three thousand dollars (\$3,000) from this sale. If approved, it is our intention to advertise this sale in the *City Record* and sell to the highest bidder with a representative of the Sealer of Weights and Measures Department to supervise the weighing.

Authority by the City Council and your Honor's approval of this public sale is respectfully requested.

Very truly yours,
EDWARD L. FRIEL,
Penal Institutions Commissioner.

Ordered, That the Penal Institutions Commissioner is hereby authorized to sell to the highest bidder one hundred (100) surplus pigs at the House of Correction, Deer Island.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

APPROPRIATION FOR NEW TRAFFIC LIGHTS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 20, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I have received from the Traffic Commissioner the accompanying letter setting forth the desirability of making available at this time an appropriation for the installation of new traffic lights. Attached to the commissioner's letter is a list of fifty-five (55) intersections throughout the city where, in the opinion of engineers of the commission, installations should be made. I am familiar with most of these intersections and agree that the placing of traffic lights at these spots would not only improve the movement and control of traffic but would also afford a greater measure of safety to pedestrians.

I regret that funds are not available to cover this entire list. I am, however, submitting an order providing for the appropriation of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) from the special fund—Sales of City Property—for the installation of traffic lights. This appropriation will permit construction at approximately twenty-five (25) of the intersections enumerated by the Traffic Commissioner. I respectfully recommend consideration and adoption of this order by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission, October 7, 1952.
Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

In anticipation of traffic light installations for 1953 it is desirable at this time that we obtain whatever appropriation will be made available to us for new traffic lights.

The sum of \$17,000 will be necessary to complete traffic light installations now in process and I am enclosing herewith a list of installations which have been under consideration for some time and from which a selection will be made in accordance with the amount of money made available to us.

There are 55 intersections listed herewith and they are placed in the order in which our engineers feel installations should be made. To construct all of these lights will require the sum of \$250,000.

In accordance with whatever appropriation is allowed to us we shall proceed with as many lights as the appropriated sum permits.

Experience proves that installation of traffic lights is a slow process due to the large amount of detailed work involved. Plans must be made for the underground work, orders placed for necessary material, and contracts prepared, advertised, and awarded.

Unless we know at a considerable time in advance what lights we are going to be able to install we shall be unable to make a start in this type of work. Accordingly, if we can get some indication as to how many lights we will be authorized to install in 1953 during the winter months all preliminary work can be done and an early start made next year.

This year delays occurred so that we are only just now awarding the final contracts for underground work.

Accordingly, I respectfully submit for your attention at this time the subject of this desired appropriation.

Respectfully yours,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 63 of chapter 44 of the General Laws, the sum of one hundred thousand dollars be, and the same hereby is, appropriated from the special account—Sales of City Property—to be expended under the direction of the Boston Traffic Commission, for the installation of automatic traffic control signals in various sections of the city.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Finance.

TRANSFERS OF APPROPRIATIONS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 20, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

The enclosed requests for transfer of appropriations, together with the accompanying orders, are recommended for adoption by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, 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, Sanitary Division, 1, Personal Services, \$41,400, to the appropriation for Public Works Department, Paving Service, 3, Supplies and Materials, \$41,400.

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 Public Works Department, Central Office, 2, Contractual Services, \$270, to the appropriation for Public Works Department, Automotive Division, 3, Supplies and Materials, \$270.

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, 1, Personal Services, \$2,250, 2, Contractual Services, \$20,000, to the appropriation for Public Works Department, Automotive Division, 3, Supplies and Materials, \$22,250.

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 Conventions and Entertainment of Distinguished Guests, \$15,000, to the appropriation for Mayor, Office Expenses, 2, Contractual Services, \$700, 3, Supplies and Materials, \$550, 4, Current Charges and Obligations (430, Bond and Insurance Premiums, \$10,499, Other Current Charges and Obligations, \$13,740), \$13,750.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

SALE OF LAND AT FREEPORT STREET,
NEW WAY, POPE'S HILL STREET,
DORCHESTER.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 20, 1952.
To the Honorable City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith a communication received from Gerald F. Scally, Chairman of the Board of Street Commissioners, relative to the sale of the City of Boston's interest in land situated at Freeport street, New Way, and Pope's Hill street in

the Dorchester district. Numerous city departments have been advised as to the availability of this land for municipal purposes, but no department has expressed any desire to have the land for its own use.

I transmit herewith an order authorizing the sale of approximately 4,375 square feet of land, together with the city's interest in certain portions of Pope's Hill street and Freeport street discontinued under the order of the Board of Street Commissioners dated September 4, 1952, and recommend the adoption of the said order.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Board of Street Commissioners,
October 20, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes and the Honorable City Council.
Gentlemen:

By an order of the Board of Street Commissioners dated September 4, 1952, a portion of Freeport street, lying between New Way and the location of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad Company, and a portion of Pope's Hill street, lying between New Way and Freeport street, were discontinued. The City of Boston is the owner in fee of approximately 4,375 square feet within the area of Freeport street, as discontinued.

Richard J. Conboy, doing business as Richard J. Conboy Associates, Boston, Mass., is the owner of a parcel of land abutting on the discontinued portions of Freeport street and Pope's Hill street, and has offered to purchase the City of Boston's interest in the premises for the sum of \$400.

Since the land is not required for any public purpose, this Board recommends that it be sold to Richard J. Conboy, doing business as Richard J. Conboy Associates.

Respectfully,
A. JOSEPH FRENO,
Acting Chairman.

Whereas, By an order of the Board of Street Commissioners of the City of Boston, approved by the Mayor of the City of Boston September 4, 1952, a portion of the public highway named Freeport street and a portion of the public highway named Pope's Hill street in the Dorchester district of the City of Boston have been discontinued; and

Whereas, The City of Boston owns in fee a certain parcel of land containing approximately four thousand three hundred seventy-five (4,375) square feet within that area of Freeport street discontinued as a public highway under the aforesaid order of the Board of Street Commissioners; and

Whereas, The area of land within the limits of said order of discontinuance 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 Richard J. Conboy, doing business as Richard J. Conboy Associates of Boston, Mass., for the minimum price of four hundred dollars (\$400), by an instrument in writing satisfactory in form to the Corporation Counsel of the City of Boston, all the City of Boston's right, title, and interest in and to a certain parcel of land situated in that part of Boston formerly Dorchester, bounded and described as follows:

Southwesterly by Freeport street—New Way, by two (2) measurements one hundred forty-six and 14/100 (146.14) feet and by a curved line with a radius of two hundred eighty (280) feet, sixteen and 62/100 (16.62) feet; northerly and northeasterly by Pope's Hill street, as it existed prior to the order of the Board of Street Commissioners dated September 4, 1952, by a curved line with a radius of forty (40) feet, forty-four and 57/100 (44.57) feet; northeasterly by Pope's Hill street and Freeport street, as they existed prior to said order of the Board of Street Commissioners, fifty-three and 27/100 (53.27) feet; northeasterly and easterly by Freeport street, as it existed prior to said order of the Board of Street Commissioners, by a curved line with a radius of forty (40) feet, fifty-nine and 64/100 (59.64) feet. The above-described parcel of land is shown on a plan marked, "City of Boston, Freeport street, Dorchester, August 23, 1920, F. O. Whitney, Chief Engineer, Street Laying-Out Department."

The City of Boston hereby releases to the grantee all of the grantor's right, title, and interest,

if any, in that part of Freeport street discontinued under the aforesaid order of the Board of Street Commissioners and that part of Pope's Hill street discontinued under the aforesaid order of the Board of Street Commissioners which adjoins the above-described premises.

Referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

ABATEMENT OF TAXES FOR CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, October 20, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith for your information a copy of a communication I have this day sent the Board of Assessors concerning a certain resolve adopted by your Honorable Body on September 29, 1952.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, October 20, 1952.

Board of Assessors,
Boston, Mass.

Gentlemen:

Your attention is respectfully directed to the following resolve adopted by the City Council at its meeting on September 29, 1952:

Whereas, It is generally conceded that special consideration should be extended in the matter of real estate taxes to a man and wife, a widow, or widower, over the age of sixty-five who own and self-occupy a single family house; and

Whereas, In some instances persons who have reached this age are invariably without substantial income from salary and must depend upon a small income from social security, pension, or other meager income; and

Whereas, If there is no income whatever from such a property and it constitutes a home only; therefore be it

Resolved, That the Board of Assessors be directed by his Honor the Mayor to inaugurate the policy of completely abating all real estate taxes on such property, provided the age qualifications can be properly established; that the property provides no income; and that the party or parties petitioning for this abatement be without sustaining income from other means.

I recognize that your Board may grant only such abatements or exemptions as are expressly or by necessary implication provided for by statute; but it is my understanding that G. L. (Ter. Ed.) c. 59, s. 5, cl. 18, as most recently amended by St. 1941, c. 227, s. 2, explicitly provides that, subject to the provisions for reimbursement upon death contained in G. L. (Ter. Ed.) c. 59, s. 5A, as most recently amended by St. 1948, c. 541, there may be exempted from taxation "any portion of the estates of persons who by reason of age, infirmity, and poverty are in the judgment of the assessors unable to contribute fully toward the public charges." The statute just cited, although clearly requiring the exercise of your own judgment upon the particular facts of each specific case, would seem adequate, nevertheless, to enable a suitable abatement in any case coming within the scope of the above-quoted resolve where the failure to grant such abatement would work a real hardship. While, since it is your own judgment that is involved, I can by law give you no direction in the matter, I am confident that your judgment will not be found wanting in any case where the facts warrant a total or partial abatement.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

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

Claims.

J. A. Alpert, for compensation for damage to property at 16 Carlson Circle, West Roxbury, caused by improper grading of sidewalk.

Salvatore M. Beninati, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Bible Insurance Agency, for compensation for damage to car of Modern Upholstered Chair Company by city truck.

Cynthia Blanchard, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Paris Street Playground.

Arthur G. R. Carlson, D.M.D., for compensation for damage to car by police car.

William R. Case, for compensation for damage to car by fire chief's car.

Francis R. Cogghill, for compensation for damage to car by city car.

John Dennis, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 16 East Brookline street.

George L. Dexter, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Sanitary Division.

Grace Donati, for compensation for injuries caused by tow truck in Sumner Tunnel.

Domenic Galiozzo, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Water Division.

Adeline Gasbarro, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Porter street, East Boston.

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

Bertha E. Hosmer, for compensation for damage to property at 693 East Eighth street, South Boston, caused by defective drains.

George Arthur Key, for compensation for injuries caused by city car.

Ralph J. Kotas, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Police Department.

Jacqueline Leary, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Dorchester.

Margaret P. Lynch, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at Maple street and Sunnybank road.

Mildred McIntyre, for compensation for injuries caused by city employees.

Carl Mottola, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Sumner Tunnel.

George E. Murphy, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Armando Nappi, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Tremont street.

Eupremio Migro, for compensation for collapse of water boiler at 134 Meridian street, East Boston, caused by water being shut off.

Joseph A. O'Brien, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Park Department.

Timothy M. O'Brien, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Edward J. O'Mara, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Joseph H. Powell, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

William Rosher, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Water Division.

John F. Ryan, for compensation for damage to car by fire engine.

Laura Spina, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 106 Marion street, East Boston.

George J. Tello, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him on account of his acts as employee of Police Department.

Josephine Tomasello, for compensation for damage to coat on North Ferry.

William F. and Mary A. White, for compensation for damage to property at 79 Teunyson street, West Roxbury, caused during installation of sidewalk.

Licenses.

Petition to operate bowling alleys on the Lord's day:

Crawford Bowling Alleys, by Victor Mochi, 15 Hanover street, Ward 3.

Egleston Bowlway, by Arthur Iorio, 3186 Washington street, Jamaica Plain, Ward 11.

Jamaica Bowlway, by Arthur Iorio, 702-A Centre street, Jamaica Plain, Ward 10.

Strand Recreation Room, by Amos E. Cowan, 716 East Broadway, South Boston, Ward 6.

PERMITS FOR CHILDREN.

Petition for children under fifteen years of age to appear at places of public amusement:
Aaron Richmond, Shubert Theatre, October 20 and 21.

Boston Children's Theatre, New England Mutual Hall, November 8, 22, and 29.

The permits were granted under usual conditions.

PETITIONS FOR ANNUITIES.

Petition of Agnes M. Shaw to be paid an annuity on account of the death of her husband, Thomas J. Shaw, late member of the Police Department.

Petition of Marion T. O'Neil to be paid an annuity on account of the death of her husband, Patrick F. O'Neil, late member of the Fire Department.

Petition of Veronica S. Hughes to be paid an annuity on account of the death of her husband, Frank J. Hughes, late member of the Police Department.

Petition of Mary A. Murphy to be paid an annuity on account of the death of her husband, John T. Murphy, late member of the Fire Department.

Severally referred to the Committee on Claims.

PETITION FOR INDEMNIFICATION.

The petition of Ladderman Thomas F. Hughes, Ladder Company 19, Fire Department, for indemnification for hospital, surgical, medical and nursing expenses was received.

Referred to the Committee on Claims.

NOTICE OF HEARING BEFORE
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held on October 29, at 10 A.M., on petition of the Eastern Massachusetts Street Railway Company for modification of restriction for operation of motor vehicles between Boston and Fall River.

Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

APPOINTMENT OF
DR. AUGUSTINE W. MCGARRY.

Notice was received from the Health Commissioner of appointment of Dr. Augustine W. McGarry, 482 Commonwealth Avenue, to permanent position of Director of Section of Local Health Services at salary of \$151 per week, effective as of October 1, 1952.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION OF CITY
PLANNING BOARD.

Notice was received from the City Planning Board of the organization of the Board as follows:

Mr. Thomas F. McDonough, chairman; Mr. Joseph A. Mitchell, vice-chairman; Mr. Thomas E. McCormick, director of City Planning (subject to approval of the Mayor), at existing budget figure; Miss Mary T. Downey, secretary, at existing budget figure. It was also voted that Mr. McDonough, Mr. Mitchell, and Miss Herlihy be authorized to approve for payment bills, payrolls and special drafts.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

LETTER OF APPRECIATION FROM REV.
JAMES H. DOYLE.

A letter from the Reverend James H. Doyle was received expressing appreciation of his family and himself to the Council members for the resolutions adopted upon the occasion of his father's death.

Placed on file.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMISSION RE
PARTICIPATION OF PLANNING BOARD
IN CERTAIN MATTERS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Finance Commission, October 17, 1952.

To the Honorable the Mayor and City Council,
Gentlemen:

Some time ago the Finance Commission called attention to the fact that the action of the city government in setting up the City Planning Board by ordinance and requiring that all city departments refer to the Planning Board all projects of capital expansion for review and report was a major step toward orderly and efficient administration, but that it would still be necessary to obtain some legislative action to round out the reform. At that time the Commission urged the filing of a legislative bill to require that the School Committee and the Boston Housing Authority be compelled to refer all contemplated projects similarly to the Planning Board. These two departments could not be reached by ordinance of the Mayor and Council.

Apparently this suggestion received the approval of all those concerned with the matter. Furthermore, the City Law Department believes that other agencies such as the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, the Metropolitan Transit Authority, and the Mystic River Bridge Authority should also be required by statute to give the City Planning Board an opportunity to review and report upon capital projects of those agencies which will affect the City of Boston.

Now the Commission desires to add to those agencies another city department which has been overlooked in the picture. The Real Estate Commission of the City of Boston has vast power given by statute which the ordinance cannot reach.

This Board operates under the provisions of chapter 434 of the Acts of 1943, as amended by chapter 474 of the Acts of 1946, and chapter 159 of the Acts of 1951.

Under this legislation, the Board is permitted to proceed with the selection and construction of off-street parking facilities with nothing more than a token reference to the Planning Board and the Traffic Commission. The statutory reference to the boards which appears in section 1-A of chapter 474 of the Acts of 1946 runs as follows:

"The power to acquire by eminent domain under chapter 79 or chapter 80A of the general laws or by purchase, gift, devise or otherwise, but not by lease, and to hold property, real or personal, or any interest therein except a leasehold estate, in such locations in the city as the board, with the approval of the planning board and the traffic commission of the city, shall have determined require off-street parking facilities."

The Real Estate Commissioners have interpreted this reference to mean that the Board must obtain the assent of the Planning Board and the Traffic Commission only to the proposal that a certain area of the city requires off-street parking facilities. Obviously, given a sufficiently large area, the answer to this question must be in the affirmative. Further participation of the Planning Board or the Traffic Commission in site location, design of facilities, or any other phase of the project is not required by law.

Such a procedure does not even scratch the surface of the kind of study and analysis which ought to be forthcoming on such an important issue as the site and construction of off-street parking facilities. In the case of off-street parking projects the Real Estate Commission has occasionally consulted with the Planning Board and the Traffic Commission. But such procedure has not crystallized into a legal requirement. As a result, the kind of study and analysis which ought to be made has not been made. Public officials and taxpayers alike expect to have such questions as the following answered before the city is committed to any specific proposal:

1. Is the city justified in permanently closing off a particular site to future commercial development?
2. What are the economic consequences of selecting a downtown site?
3. What will be the loss to the city in taxes?
4. What is the best use of this site in the general plan of the city?
5. What will be the effect on real estate values? On traffic?

6. Will the traffic generated by this project, in conjunction with nearby off-street parking sites, produce a traffic congestion?

7. Would several smaller sites be preferable to one large site in economic and traffic terms?

The Planning Board is the one agency in the city charged with taking the large, over-all view. A proposal seen as feasible by one department may be seen as inadvisable by the Planning Board which must think in terms of the broad urban pattern and in terms of the future of the city.

Another matter which should be amenable to mandatory referral is what to do with city-owned land, originally acquired for municipal purposes, which has been turned over to the Board of Real Estate Commissioners for lease or sale, under the provisions of chapter 159 of the Acts of 1951. The disposition of such land should clear through the Planning Board. Referral should also apply to the real estate held by the Board under its original authority found in chapter 434 of the Acts of 1943, which refers to property foreclosed by the city and held by the Board.

The Finance Commission has in previous reports in recent years pointed out the importance of Planning Board participation in all the matters treated above. The present time offers an ideal opportunity to effectuate such recommendations by appropriate legislation.

Respectfully submitted,
EDWARD F. MULLEN, Chairman,
LEO J. DUNN,
FREDERICK DEANE,
EDWARD U. LEE,
The Finance Commission.

ROBERT E. CUNNIFF,
Secretary.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

LEGAL OPINION RE HEARINGS BEFORE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Law Department, October 20, 1952.

To the Honorable the City Council.
Gentlemen:

This is in reply to the following order passed by your Honorable Body on June 9, 1952:

"Ordered, That the Corporation Counsel of the City of Boston be requested to furnish the City Council with a detailed list of all ordinances, statutes and regulations issued in pursuance thereto, governing the required notice in matters affecting the City of Boston or its citizens relative to hearings before the Department of Public Utilities on petitions of this nature; the general practice and procedure followed by the city with reference to such petitions; the specific procedure and action followed by the city in respect to the hearings listed under DPU 9791 and DPU 9790, including the departments, if any, that discussed or deliberated the action to be taken in respect to the aforesaid petitions; which, if any, of the departments were present at any of the aforesaid hearings and their action at said hearings; and a statement advising the council as to whether or not in their opinion the rights of the individual citizens living or owning property in the City of Boston and of the city itself are adequately protected under existing statute, ordinances or regulations; and a detailed statement as to the desired amendments to existing ordinances, statutes or regulations or changes in the same, suggested in order to adequately protect the rights of the individuals in the City of Boston who own property in the City of Boston and the City of Boston itself."

The proceedings before the Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities specifically mentioned in the above-quoted order were had under the last paragraph of section 22 of the Zoning Law of the City of Boston (i.e., St. 1924, c. 488), which, as most recently amended by St. 1928, c. 70, reads as follows:

"A building or premises used or to be used by a public service corporation may be exempted from the operation of this act if, upon a petition of the corporation, the department of public utilities shall, after a public hearing of which notice shall seasonably be mailed to the petitioner, and to the owners of all abutting property

and of all other property deemed by the department to be affected thereby as they appear in the most recent local tax list, and to the representatives in the general court from the district, and to the member of the city council of the city of Boston from the ward, in which such building or premises are or are to be situated, and also advertised at least once in a newspaper published in said city, decide that the present or proposed situation of the building or premises in question is reasonably necessary for the convenience or welfare of the public."

The Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities has supplemented the provisions of the foregoing statute by the following rule:

"In all matters to be heard by the Commission of the Department, in which a city or town, or a city or town officer, is a party, and in all matters to be so heard relative to the rates of a public utility serving the public in a city or town and in all other matters in which the department deems that the public in a city or town is interested, notice shall be given by mail to all parties of record and to the mayor or chairman of the board of selectmen and the city or town clerk. Such notice shall be mailed in season to reach the persons notified not later than fourteen days before the date set for the hearing, except in emergency matters where the department deems a shorter notice necessary." (See DPU 7026.)

The rule just quoted, when taken in conjunction with the above-quoted statute, results (1) in a newspaper publication; (2) in a mailed notice to the owners of all abutting property and of all other property deemed by the Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities to be affected, and (3) in a mailed notice to the Mayor and the City Clerk of Boston. The notice to the Mayor is customarily referred by him to the Corporation Counsel for appropriate action after consultation with the City Planning Board. The City Clerk transmits his notice to the City Council. Undoubtedly, the above-quoted statute should be amended so as to substitute "and to each member of the city council of the city of Boston" in lieu of the now obsolete "and to the member of the city council of the city of Boston from the ward, in which such building or premises are or are to be situated"; but otherwise the above-quoted provisions for notice are, in my opinion, both legally and practically adequate to protect the rights of the City of Boston and of persons living or owning property in the City of Boston. Compare *Opinion of the Justices*, 234 Mass. 597, 606.

The specific facts of DPU 9790 and DPU 9791 are these. DPU 9790 was a petition filed by the Boston Edison Company on November 19, 1951, seeking to have certain land on Binney street, Roxbury, exempted from the operation of the Zoning Law so that such land might be used for a substation for transforming, switching and regulating currents of electricity. DPU 9791 was another petition filed by the same company on the same day to have certain land on Fremont street, Dorchester, similarly exempted for a like purpose. The notices to the Mayor and City Clerk were handled conformably with the above-stated custom. See Minutes of City Council Meeting of December 17, 1951, page 288. The City Planning Board considered both petitions at its meeting of December 11, 1951, but failed to find any reason to object. It did, however, direct a planning engineer to attend the DPU hearings on December 26, 1951. He did so, but found no reason to register opposition. None of the abutting owners notified by the DPU pursuant to the statute entered an appearance. Late in January, 1952, the DPU granted the petitions.

The Binney Street site, which was in a district zoned for local business, was described by the Edison Company's engineer at the DPU hearing as a necessary adjunct to the projected hospital expansion in the Longwood Avenue area in which the site was located. The Fremont Street land, although in a residential district, was asserted by Edison's engineer to be necessary to assure an adequate supply of electricity in the newly developed River street, Mattapan, area. The DPU's action would, therefore, seem to have been fully warranted in both cases.

Respectfully,
WILLIAM L. BAXTER,
Corporation Counsel.

Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS.

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

Report on petition of Thomas F. Kelly (referred September 29) to be reimbursed as result of an execution issued against him on account of his acts as an employee of the Sewer Division, Public Works Department, recommending passage of the accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of six hundred dollars (\$600) be allowed and paid to Thomas F. Kelly in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as an employee of the Sewer Division, Public Works Department, said sum to be charged to the appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

Report on petition of Fred W. Proctor (referred October 6), chief probation officer of the Chelsea District Court, for retirement on pension—recommending passage of the accompanying order:

Whereas, It appears that Fred W. Proctor is a probation officer of the District Court of Chelsea within the County of Suffolk whose whole time is given to the duties of his office; that he has been a probation officer of said Court continuously since July 9, 1917; that he is over sixty years of age and has faithfully performed his duties for over twenty consecutive years, and that during the fifteen years immediately preceding the present time he has given his whole time to the duties of the office of probation officer and has faithfully performed such duties; therefore be it

Ordered, That the action of the District Court of Chelsea in retiring said Fred W. Proctor and placing him upon a pension roll effective October 15, 1952, with an annual pension of \$2,832, the same being one half of the \$5,664 compensation received by him on such date, be, and the same hereby is, approved under General Laws (Ter. Ed.) c. 32, ss. 75 and 76, as amended.

The reports were accepted, and the orders were severally passed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LICENSES.

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

Report on petitions to operate bowling alleys on the Lord's day—Hibernian Bowling Alleys, 184 Dudley street, Roxbury (referred September 22); Orient Bowlway, 981 Bennington street, East Boston (referred September 29); Caledonian Bowling Alleys, 1505 Veterans of Foreign Wars Parkway, West Roxbury (referred September 29); Irish Center Club, Inc., 194 Heath street, Jamaica Plain (referred September 29); Scollay Alleys, 48 Scollay square, Ward 3 (referred September 29)—recommending that licenses be granted.

The report was accepted, and the licenses were severally granted under the usual conditions.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ORDINANCES.

Coun. JOYCE, for the Committee on Ordinances, submitted the following:

The Committee on Ordinances, to which was referred the message of the Mayor dated August 11, 1952, accompanied by a proposed ordinance concerning the awarding of certain contracts, which was referred to the Committee on Ordinances August 25, 1952, respectfully recommends that the proposed ordinance ought to be rejected for the reason that section 2 thereof has become obsolete.

The report was accepted, and the ordinance was rejected.

EMPLOYEES' RIGHT TO APPEAL UNDER CLASSIFICATION PLAN.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to advise the City Council at the next meeting of the Council, as to the rights of employees to appeal the classifications assigned, and/or the ratings assigned and to outline in detail what steps should be taken in prosecuting such appeals; and be it further

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to have posted on bulletin boards or other suitable places in each department, and throughout the

City Hall, and other places where employees work, a statement of their rights to appeal and the steps that should be taken in prosecuting such appeals.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

INFORMATION ON EMPLOYEE CLASSIFICATION AS OF JUNE 1.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request the City Auditor to submit to the Council at the next meeting of the Council, the payroll of the City of Boston and County of Suffolk as of June 1, 1952, together with the classifications of all employees as to whether they were civil service, provisional, or temporary as of that date.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

INFORMATION RE EMPLOYEES, SALARIES, CLASSIFICATION, ETC.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:

Ordered, That under section 17F of the City Charter, the Boston City Council direct his Honor the Mayor to be present or to have a qualified representative present at the next meeting of the Council, prepared to answer the following questions or to submit answers in writing at that time:

1. The names and addresses of all persons in the employ of the City of Boston or the County of Suffolk as of April 2, 1952, listed under the departments or branches of the city government in which they are employed.

2. The job classification of each such employee as of April 2, 1952.

3. The salary each such employee received as of April 2, 1952.

4. Whether each of said employees was civil service, provisional, or temporary as of April 2, 1952.

5. The names and addresses of all persons now in the employ of the City of Boston or the County of Suffolk, listed under the departments or branches of the city government in which they are employed.

6. The job classification of each of said employees under the Mayor's proposed Compensation Plan as approved by the Director of Civil Service.

7. The salary each of said employees will receive under the Mayor's proposed Compensation Plan.

8. Whether each of said employees is now civil service, provisional, or temporary.

9. The job classification of each of said employees as proposed under the Jacobs Survey.

10. The rating of each of said employees as proposed under the Jacobs Survey.

11. The names and addresses of the employees, listed under the departments or branches of the city government in which they are employed, who are now receiving a higher salary than that received as of April 2, 1952, other than that provided for by regular step-rate increases, including in said list the amount each now receives.

12. The total increase in payroll from April 2, 1952, to the end of the fiscal year, as a result of the adoption of the Mayor's proposed Compensation Plan.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

ACCEPTANCE OF PRESENTATION ROAD, WARD 22.

Coun. AHEARN, for Councillor Ward, offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept and lay out Presentation road, approximately 200 feet northeast from Bellamy street in Brighton, Ward 22.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

LEASE OF FRANKLIN SCHOOL TO BOSTON FIREMAN'S POST.

Coun. WARD, AHEARN, FOLEY, HAILER, HURLEY, JOYCE, KERRIGAN, PIEMONTE, and WHITE offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to direct the Superintendent of Public Buildings to

lease the Franklin School at 1161 Washington street, Boston, to the Boston Fireman's Post, American Legion Post 94, for a nominal consideration annually, and on such conditions as said superintendent may deem necessary.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

REDEVELOPMENT OF BOSTON & ALBANY RAILROAD YARDS.

On motion of Councillor Foley, the Council voted to take from the table No. 4 on the Calendar, viz.:

4. Message of the Mayor of August 4, 1952, relative to redevelopment of Boston & Albany Railroad Yards.

On further motion of Councillor Foley, the message was placed on file.

PLAN STUDY OF BOSTON & ALBANY RAILROAD YARDS.

Coun. FOLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That upon execution of a contract for the making of an economic base and plan study of the Boston & Albany Railroad Yards area, as mentioned in the report of the Planning Board of August 4, 1952, the City Council be notified forthwith.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

GROUP INSURANCE PLAN FOR CITY EMPLOYEES.

Coun. FOLEY offered the following:

Ordered (1) That the provisions of chapter 239 of the Acts of 1952 be brought to the attention of the employees of the City of Boston; (2) that a determination be made of the number of employees of the City of Boston who would be eligible for group insurance under the above-stated chapter and statutes related thereto; (3) that a further determination be made of the percentage of those eligible for participation in the group insurance plan who desire to participate and are willing to accept the necessary deduction in pay; (4) that provisions one, two, and three of this order be carried out before November 30, 1952; (5) that, upon compliance with the order, a report be forwarded to the Boston City Council forthwith of the number of employees eligible and the number desiring to participate in a group insurance plan; (6) that such preliminary determinations be made with sufficient dispatch so that a group insurance plan can be activated for eligible employees in the fiscal year 1952.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

ASSIGNMENT OF SPECIAL POSITION TO AMPUTEE ROBERT MULLEN.

Coun. JOYCE offered the following:

Whereas, Robert Mullen of South Boston is the only double amputee in the City of Boston, the victim of injuries received while serving his country in the Korean conflict, and

Whereas, His friends and sympathetic citizens from every section of the Commonwealth have contributed generously to a fund to provide him with a home suitable for his habitation and enjoyment, especially fitted for one with his affliction; and

Whereas, This new home will be officially dedicated and presented to Robert Mullen on Sunday next, October 26, 1952; and

Whereas, It is the opinion of the members of the Boston City Council that the officials and all citizens of the City of Boston should do their part to contribute to the future well-being of this young hero; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the members of the City Council, in meeting assembled, respectfully urge his Honor the Mayor to assign to Robert Mullen of South

Boston, a special position at the J. Street Bathhouse during the remainder of his life, as a token of our appreciation for the sacrifices he has made to protect the many freedoms enjoyed by the citizens of our city and the nation at large.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

RECESS.

On motion of Councillor Ahearn, the Council voted at 3.08 P.M. to take a recess subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled and were called to order by President PIEMONTE at 3.43 P.M.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

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

1. Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred today) that Penal Institutions Commissioner be authorized to sell to the highest bidder one hundred surplus pigs at House of Correction, Deer Island—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

2. Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred today) for transfer from appropriation for Conventions and Entertainment of Distinguished Guests of \$15,000 to appropriation for Mayor, Office Expenses—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed, yeas 6, nays 0.

Yeas—Councillors Ahearn, Foley, Hailer, Joyce, Kerrigan, Piemonte—6.

Nays—0.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCE.

Coun. AHEARN, for the Committee on Appropriations and Finance, submitted the following:

Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred August 25) for transfer of \$1,700 from the Reserve Fund to the Weights and Measures Department, for automotive equipment—recommending that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the order was passed, yeas 6, nays 0.

Yeas—Councillors Ahearn, Foley, Hailer, Joyce, Kerrigan, Piemonte—6.

Nays—0.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFIRMATIONS.

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

Report on appointment by the Mayor (referred October 6) of Albert R. Cameron as weigher of coal—recommending that appointment be confirmed.

The report was accepted, and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councillors Foley and Hailer. Whole number of ballots 6, yeas 6, and the appointment was confirmed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LICENSES

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

Report on petition of S. A. Woods Machine Company Rifle and Pistol Club, Inc. (referred August 25), for license to operate a gun club at 27 Damrell street, South Boston—recommending passage of the accompanying order:

Ordered, That, in accordance with section 17 of chapter 136 of the General Laws (Ter. Ed.) and section 23 of chapter 40 of the Revised Ord-

nances of 1947, a license be granted to the S. A. Woods Machine Company Rifle and Pistol Club, Inc., for a gun club on the ground floor of the premises at 27 Damrell street, South Boston, to be used on Mondays through Fridays from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. by members of said club.

The report was accepted, and the license was granted in accordance with the foregoing order.

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NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF
JOSEPH B. CARTY.

Coun. HURLEY 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 Fairmount avenue and Highland street, Hyde Park, in honor of Pvt. Joseph B. Carty, ASN 1113-1345, who lost his life on November 29, 1944, in action in Germany while serving with the 331st Infantry, 84th Division, during World War II.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

APPROPRIATION OF \$165,000 FOR LAND
FOR PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS.

On motion of Councillor Joyce, the Council voted to take from the Calendar No. 1, viz.:

1. Order for appropriation of \$165,000 for acquiring land for public parks or playgrounds as well as the construction of necessary plant facilities.

On September 29, 1952, the foregoing order was read once and passed, yeas 9.

The order was given its second reading and passage, yeas 7, nays 0:

Yeas—Councillors Ahearn, Foley, Hailer, Hurley, Joyce, Kerrigan, Piemonte—7.

Nays—0.

Adjourned at 3.54 p.m., on motion of Councillor Ahearn, to meet on Monday, October 27, 1952, 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, October 27, 1952.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 p.m., President PIEMONTE in the chair. Absent, Councillor Ward.

The Reverend John G. Hogan, pastor of St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church, South Boston, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY REV. JOHN G. HOGAN.

O Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, Who in the inspired words of the Old Testament didst say, "Unless the Lord build the house, they labor in vain who build it," we invoke Thy divine presence on our deliberations today.

O Supreme Being and Ruler, to serve Whom is to reign, Who, in the New Testament, didst say, "Ask and you shall receive, seek and you shall find, knock and it shall be opened unto you", we ask that all we do today may be consistent with justice and seasoned with charity. We seek from Thee that wisdom that will enable us to perform honorably and efficiently our civic responsibilities. We knock at Thy territories and treasures of high moral principles that unselfish service and brotherly love may be opened to us.

Direct, we beseech Thee, O God, our meeting by Thy holy inspiration and carry it on by Thy gracious assistance, that this work of ours done by Thee and through Thee, be happily ended, through Christ our Lord, Amen.

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:

Lawrence Wernick, 87 Devon street, Dorchester, constable with authority to serve civil process upon filing of bond, for term ending April 30, 1953.

Gerard A. Cassidy, 48 Cross street, Medford, Weigher of Coal, for term ending April 30, 1953.

Henry S. Harmon, 314 Safford street, Wollaston, and Sven T. Swenson, 137 George street, Medford, as Weighers of Goods, for term ending April 30, 1953.

Severally referred to the Committee on Confirmations.

INFORMATION ON EMPLOYEE CLASSIFICATION AS OF JUNE 1.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 27, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

In the order adopted October 20, your Honorable Body requested that the payroll of the city and county, as of June 1, 1952, be submitted.

I am informed by the City Auditor that such information will be available to your Honorable Body at today's meeting.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

WITHDRAWAL OF ORDER FOR TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATION OF \$41,400.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 27, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

On October 20, 1952, I submitted to your Honorable Body various transfer orders including one

for \$41,400 in the Public Works Department. Since making this request for transfer, it has been possible to make the money available to the Paving Service through other means. Therefore, I hereby withdraw the order transferring \$41,400 from the Sanitary Division to the Paving Division in the Public Works Department.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
October 27, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

Under date of October 17, I initiated a request of transfer of appropriations which provided for the transfer of \$41,400 from Code No. 100 of the Sanitary Division to Code No. 382 of the Highway and Paving Service.

As the transfer was being made from one division to another, it required the approval of the City Council. However, I have since superseded this transfer form with one which provides for the transfer of the above-referenced amount from Code No. 100 in the Sanitary Division to Code No. 382 in the same division. Under the provisions of the City Charter, the latter-referenced transfer does not need to be approved by the City Council. I took this step in order to save time, as the proposed transfer is for the purchase of rock salt, and the material can be paid out of the Sanitary budget as well as out of the budget of the Highway and Paving Service.

It is most essential that this salt be provided in the immediate future, because, normally, it will take from four to six weeks to have it delivered. Under the circumstances, therefore, I feel that it is in the best interests of the city to pay for the salt, which is used for icy streets, out of the Sanitary Division budget rather than out of the budget of the Highway and Paving Service.

I respectfully recommend, therefore, that you withdraw the request for transfer of appropriations previously submitted to the City Council and which provided for the transfer of \$41,400 from the Sanitary Division to the Highway Division.

Respectfully yours,

GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

COORDINATION OF ACTIVITIES OF "LITTLE LEAGUES."

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 27, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Chairman of the Board of Recreation relative to your order of September 22, 1952, concerning the request that the "Little Leagues" be included in the municipal budget estimate for the year 1953.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Board of Recreation, October 23, 1952.
Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to your communication bearing date of September 24, 1952, containing the order of the City Council asking that his Honor the Mayor direct the Park Department and the Board of Recreation to hold a conference with officers of the various "Little Leagues," this is to report that such a conference was held at this office on October 16, in which representatives of both departments and officials of the "Little Leagues" participated.

The "Little Leagues" officials have asked for additional diamonds and umpires to be provided by public funds and certain clerical assistance in scheduling their games.

At a meeting of this Board on October 22, the matter was fully discussed, and it was decided that the Board recommend against using public money for equipment or for the paying of umpires in the "Little Leagues" or in any organization not directly connected with the City of Boston. Tho

Board hopes, however, that the Park Department will within the limits of its budget and consistent with the public demand, provide such "Little Leagues" diamonds in the various sections of the city as are possible.

Yours respectfully,
ALBERT WEST, Chairman.

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 27, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Chairman of the Park Department relative to your order of September 22, 1952, concerning the request that the "Little Leagues" be included in the municipal budget estimate for the year 1953.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, October 21, 1952.
Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:
Supplementing my letter to your office of September 26 relative to the order of Councillor Foley, under date of September 22, in which the Park Department and the Board of Recreation were instructed to hold a conference with officers and directors of the various "Little Leagues" relative to 1953 activities, I report as follows:

On last Thursday, October 16, a meeting was held in the Board of Recreation, in regard to this matter at which were present Robert Cusick, Director of Recreation of the Park Department, Frederick Gillis, Superintendent of the Recreation Board, and six directors of the "Little Leagues."

The directors brought up the possibility of having additional playing areas for their ball teams next year and it was agreed by the department representatives that they would look into the possibility of having new fields for "Little Leagues" in 1953.

The directors further requested that the City of Boston assume the payment of the salaries of the umpires for the games. It was pointed out to the directors that similar requests had come in the past from outside organizations and that the Law Department had ruled against making such payment. However, this request will again be taken up with the Law Department.

It was agreed at the meeting that the Park Department and Recreation Board would help in any way that it was possible for them to assist in this program, but it was further pointed out that it would not be possible to underwrite the expenses of the operation of these "Little Leagues."

I believe that the directors that were present were satisfied that both departments would cooperate in the program as far as they are able to do so.

Very truly yours,
FRANK R. KELLEY, Chairman.
Sincerely placed on file.

ACCEPTANCE OF PRESENTATION ROAD,
WARD 22.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 27, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Chairman of the Board of Street Commissioners relative to your order of October 20, 1952, concerning the request to accept and lay out Presentation road, Brighton, Ward 22, approximately 200 feet from Bellamy street, northeast.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Street Laying-Out Department,
October 21, 1952.
Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:
Reference is made to the following Council orders dated September 8, 1952, and October 20, 1952:

"Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to accept and lay out Presentation road, approxi-

mately 200 feet northeast, from Bellamy street, in Brighton, Ward 22."

This street will be included in our current program for laying out and acceptance.

Very truly yours,
GERALD F. SCALLY, Chairman.
Placed on file.

PLANNING BOARD ON SOUND
PROFESSIONAL BASIS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 27, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Director of the City Planning Board relative to your resolves of September 22, 1952, in regard to placing of the Planning Board on a sound professional basis.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City Planning Board,
October 24, 1952.

Hon. John B. HYNES,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:
I have been directed by the Board to acknowledge your communication of October 9, enclosing resolution of the City Council in regard to placing of the Planning Board on a sound professional basis.

The resolve of the City Council has been noted with interest and appreciation. It has been referred to the Budget Committee of the Board and will be given further consideration in the preparation of the 1953 budget.

Very truly yours,
THOMAS E. MCCORMICK,
Director of Planning.

Placed on file.

APPROPRIATION FOR PENSIONS AND
ANNUITIES.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 27, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I am advised by the City Auditor that an additional appropriation of twelve thousand five hundred dollars (\$12,500) will be needed for the balance of the year 1952 for pensions and annuities in the income departments.

This additional sum is necessary because of the increased number of employees pensioned under the noncontributory pension system since passage of the budget and which could not have been anticipated when the 1952 budget was submitted to the Council.

There is forwarded herewith an order appropriating the above-mentioned sum of twelve thousand five hundred dollars (\$12,500) from the income of these self-supporting departments, consideration and adoption of which is recommended by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Ordered, That the sum of twelve thousand five hundred dollars (\$12,500) be, and hereby is, appropriated for pensions and annuities in the income departments, said amount to be met from the income of said departments and any excess over income from taxes.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Finance.

APPROPRIATION FOR PUBLIC WORKS
DEPARTMENT, WATER SERVICE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 27, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I forward herewith an order in the sum of \$59,600 from the water income account to be appropriated for the Water Division of the Public Works Department. I also forward you a communication

from the Commissioner of Public Works explaining the necessity for this additional appropriation.

The main purpose for requesting this additional appropriation is to purchase 2,000 water meters. It is essential that these meters be ordered to meet the current needs of the department.

It will be recalled that the City Council reduced the appropriation requests of the Water Division in the amount of \$157,056. While the Division Engineer of the Water Division is most desirous of having a further appropriation of \$100,000 allotted to his department, it is the opinion of the commissioner that the sum requested in the order, to wit, \$59,600, will suffice for the remainder of the year.

I respectfully request prompt passage of the order by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
October 20, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:
We have made every reasonable effort to live within the budgetary appropriations provided in the current year for the operation of the Water Division of this department.

However, in the opinion of Division Engineer Sullivan, in which I concur, we shall need additional money to provide for the proper functioning of this important division during the remainder of the year. I feel, therefore, that immediate arrangements should be made to provide a minimum of \$59,600 from water income to be appropriated for the Water Division under the code numbers and in the amounts as designated below:

Code No. 300, \$3,600, for furnishing gasoline-oil, etc., for motor vehicles.

Code No. 310, \$2,000, for the purchase of lumber, window glass, frames, and hardware for repairing buildings.

Code No. 380, \$10,000, for the purchase of materials needed in the maintenance of the Water System.

Code No. 390, \$2,000, for the purchase of repair parts for compressors, pumps, etc.

Code No. 570, \$42,000, for the purchase of 2,000 ½-inch meters.

Total, \$59,600.

All of the above-referenced money should be appropriated immediately, with particular reference to the \$42,000 needed for new meters. At the present time, the Water Division does not have any ½-inch meters on hand. If we are to be governed by the experience of the current year, we must assume that contracts for new meters will not be awarded until next April, unless the above-referenced money is appropriated during the current year. In fact, the contracts for new meters for this year did not go into effect until June 1, because we did not have sufficient money a year ago this time to award a contract which would provide for deliveries of meters in the remaining months of 1951 and the first six months of 1952. Therefore, if money is not provided at this time for the purchase of new meters, we shall not be able to have a single one delivered until next June 1, which certainly would be contrary to the best interests of the Water Division and the public it serves. I therefore respectfully urge that not only the \$42,000 for the purchase of new meters, but the additional \$17,600 be provided, in order to provide for the proper and efficient functioning of the Water Division for the remainder of the current year.

In addition to the above, Division Engineer Sullivan has requested that consideration be given to the appropriating of \$100,000 for no specific item, with the express understanding that no expenditures will be made under it, without the approval of the Budget Commissioner and the Mayor. However, I do not feel that the City Council would give approval to the appropriating of such a sum, unless it were appropriated for specific purposes. In view of this, I do not feel that we can give any further consideration to Mr. Sullivan's request in this regard, but I am referring it to you in the hope that possibly the City Auditor and the Budget Commissioner could find some way of establishing such a fund that could be used for the operation and maintenance of the Water Division, with the understanding, as

stated, that no expenditures would be made under it without the specific approval of your Honor and the Budget Commissioner.

Respectfully yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Ordered, That to meet the current expenses payable during the financial year beginning with the first day of January, 1952, an additional sum of fifty-nine thousand six hundred dollars (\$59,600) 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.	
3. Supplies and materials	\$17,600
5. Equipment	42,000
570. Public Works Equipment	\$42,000
	\$59,600

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Finance.

ORDINANCE RE AWARDING OF
CERTAIN CONTRACTS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 27, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

On August 25 of this year I submitted to your Honorable Body an ordinance relative to the award of certain contracts made in behalf of the City of Boston and the County of Suffolk. No affirmative action was taken by your Body to make this ordinance effective on the date stated, October 1, 1952.

I therefore resubmit the said ordinance to your Honorable Body to be effective as of January 1, 1953. This ordinance, as explained in my communication of August 11, affects, with certain exceptions, all orders and contracts involving \$300 or more which are not regulated by statute. It requires that each contract be awarded to the lowest responsible and eligible bidder after bid invitations are mailed to at least five prospective bidders. It also requires public opening, reading and posting of bids, and sets up other additional regulations.

Also pending before your Body on July 17, 1952, is an order submitted by me for acceptance of chapter 376 of the Acts of 1952, giving Boston a greater measure of home rule with respect to municipal contracts. I would suggest that both these matters be given prompt attention and action by your Honorable Body in order that the new system of awarding orders or contracts may be put into full effect at the beginning of next year.

I respectfully recommend passage of the accompanying ordinance.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston.

In the Year Nineteen Hundred and Fifty-Two.

An Ordinance Relative to the Award of Certain Contracts Made on Behalf of 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 inserting after section 18 the following new section: Section 18A. Every board or officer of the city, and every board or officer of the county having power to incur obligations on behalf of the county in cases where said obligations are to be paid for wholly from the treasury of the city, when about to do any work or to make any purchase the cost of which alone, or in conjunction with other similar work or purchase which might properly be included in the same contract or order, amounts to three hundred dollars or more, shall post an invitation for bids for such work or purchase, and also send a copy of such invitation by mail postpaid to at least five prospective bidders, and also file a copy of such invitation with the city auditor, who shall keep the same readily accessible for public inspection until the time therein specified for opening bids has passed. Such invitation shall be in writing, shall contain a description of the work

to be done or the goods to be purchased sufficiently accurate for the identification thereof, shall state where duplicates of such invitation may be obtained and the time and place for opening bids, and shall reserve the right to reject any and all bids, and shall be in such form that a bid may be submitted thereon or on a duplicate thereof. No bidder shall be deemed eligible within the meaning of this section unless he submits his bid on such an invitation or duplicate and in a sealed envelope plainly marked on the outside so as to show it contains a bid for the particular work or purchase.

No order given, or contract made, by any board or officer aforesaid for the doing of any such work or the making of any such purchase shall be valid unless (1) bids therefor are invited as hereinbefore prescribed; (2) all bids submitted are publicly opened and read at the time and place specified in the invitation and are thereupon forthwith posted, and (3) the order is given, or contract awarded, to the lowest responsible and eligible bidder on the basis of the bids submitted.

The provisions of this section shall be inapplicable whenever, in the opinion of the board or officer giving the order or making the contract, compliance with the provisions of this section is impracticable or the delay incident to such compliance would be detrimental to the city or the health or safety of persons or property; provided, that before giving the order or making the contract in any of such cases, the board or officer shall, unless in its or his opinion an extreme emergency involving the health or safety of persons or property exists, post a signed statement, approved in writing by the mayor, giving in detail the reasons for such opinion and file a copy of such statement with the city auditor, who shall keep the same readily accessible for public inspection for at least one month; and provided, further, that, if in the opinion of the board or officer such an extreme emergency exists, the board or officer shall, not later than the next business day after giving the order or making the contract, post a signed statement giving in detail the reasons for such opinion, send a copy of such statement to the mayor, and file another copy thereof with the city auditor, who shall keep the same readily accessible for public inspection for at least one month. The provisions of this section shall also not apply to any contract coming within section 6 of chapter 418 of the acts of 1890 or within section 44A of chapter 149 of the General Laws.

No invitation, bid, or statement of reasons shall be deemed to have been posted within the meaning of this section unless posted conspicuously in some convenient and public place in the offices of, or in a passage adjacent to the offices of, the board or officer giving the order or making the contract.

SECT. 2. This ordinance shall take effect on January 1, 1953.

Referred to the Committee on Ordinances.

TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATION TO ASSESSING DEPARTMENT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 27, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

In connection with a complete revaluation of the real property in the City of Boston, it is necessary that certain preliminary work be done. At the present time, the Assessing Department is prepared to go forward with this preliminary work but, in order to do so, an additional sum of money must be provided the Assessing Department.

I send you herewith the communication from the Chairman of the Board of Assessors in which there is itemized a total of \$14,800 which is needed to complete the preliminary details of the revaluation survey. I respectfully request that this sum of money be transferred by your Honorable Body from the reserve fund by the passage of the accompanying order.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Assessing Department, October 22, 1952.
Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:
Enclosed please find itemized request for preliminary appropriation for the purpose of revalu-

ating the real property of the City of Boston. The Board of Assessors are in the process of setting up a comprehensive plan to be submitted to your Honor early in 1953.

The Board of Assessors are of the opinion that the present requirements approximate \$60,000, but this request is the minimum amount necessary to enable us to complete preliminary details of the program.

It is respectfully requested that this appropriation request be submitted for approval at the next regular meeting of the City Council.

Respectfully yours,
EDMUND J. BURKE, Chairman.

REQUEST FOR PRELIMINARY APPROPRIATION FOR REVALUATION PURPOSES FOR ASSESSING DEPARTMENT.

A. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES:		
Consultant, 50 days at \$100	\$5,000	
Photographs.....		
Maps.....		
Blue Prints.....	1,500	\$6,500
B. SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS:		
Record Cards, 300,000, 8 1/2		
x 11.....	\$6,000	
Assessors' Manuals.....	300	6,300
C. FURNITURE AND EQUIPMENT:		
Office Machines.....	\$800	
Special Units for Accounting		
Machines.....	1,200	2,000
		<u>\$14,800</u>

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, \$14,800, to the appropriation for Assessing Department, 2, Contractual Services, \$6,500, 3, Supplies and Materials, \$6,300, 5, Equipment (560, Office Furniture and Equipment, \$2,000), \$14,800, Referred to the Executive Committee.

INFORMATION RE EMPLOYEES, SALARIES, CLASSIFICATION, ETC.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 27, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

An order adopted by your Honorable Body on October 20, 1952, submitted 12 questions to be answered either orally or in person, at the next meeting of your Body.

It is not possible to orally present the information requested, for the reason that much of the information desired is not available in the form required to meet the specific questions. Specifically, the 12 questions as propounded by your Body are answered as follows:

1. Employees' Names and Addresses as of April 2, 1952?

This material is not available. The nearest approach to the information desired is the bound copies of lists of employees prepared by the departments as of February 1, 1952, which material is on file in the Auditor's office.

2. Employees' Job Classification as of April 2, 1952?

This material is not available. To secure the information evidently desired it would be necessary to refer to the payrolls for the week ending April 2, 1952, on file in the Auditing Department.

3. Employees' Salaries as of April 2, 1952?

This information can be secured only by reference to departmental payrolls on file in the Auditing Department.

4. Employment Status of Employees as of April 2, 1952?

Again, the answer to this question could only be secured by reference to departmental payrolls on file in the Auditing Department.

5. Names and Addresses of All Persons Now Working?

Under existing law, this information is compiled once a year, namely, as of February first. An answer to this question, therefore, at the present time is impossible.

6. Proposed Job Classification for Each Employee?

This information will appear on the "Adjustment in Classification and Compensation" form now being prepared by departments. A copy of this form for each department will be submitted to the Council.

7. Proposed Employees' Salaries?

This information will appear on the form mentioned under question No. 6.

8. Current Employment Status of Employees?

This information may be secured from the form mentioned under question No. 6.

9. Job Classifications of Employees under the Jacobs Survey?

The Budget Commissioner has lists showing the information desired under this question.

10. Employees' Ratings under the Jacobs Survey?

The lists mentioned under question No. 9 should furnish this information.

11. Lists of Employees Now Receiving Higher Salaries than Received on April 2, 1952—Such Lists to Indicate Addresses and Amounts of Increases?

To answer this question would require an analysis of all General Forms No. 15 "Promotion or Adjustment in Compensation" approved by the Mayor in the last seven months.

12. Payroll Increase Resulting from Adoption of Proposed Plan?

This information will be furnished the Council in connection with the transfer request providing for the allocation of the existing \$1,200,000 lump-sum appropriation among the various city departments.

To fully comply with the request for information as submitted, would be a task of great proportions and would require the exclusive services of a substantial number of clerks and typists over a period of approximately six weeks.

I have repeatedly informed the City Council that all the information available to the Budget Commissioner in the consideration and Presentation of the Classification and Compensation Plan will be given to the City Council. In addition, the Budget Commissioner will be available to orally answer any other questions which may occur to your Body.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Coun. WHITE in the chair.

Coun. PIEMONTE moved that the attached message be returned to his Honor the Mayor and that the order passed by the City Council on October 20, 1952, be resubmitted to the Mayor for further answers to said order.

The motion was carried.

TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION ADJUSTMENTS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, October 27, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

The City of Boston is perhaps one of the few large cities in the nation without a comprehensive position classification and pay plan for its employees. It is generally agreed that personnel classifications and salary standardizations are absolutely essential to sound financial procedure, especially when the personal services item in our city budget amounts to more than 53 per cent of the total budget.

The lack of a comprehensive and consistent personnel policy also creates inequalities harmful to the morale of the employees in that in many instances positions involving like duties and responsibilities and calling for the same qualifications show wide variations in the salary rates.

Believing that these conditions should not be permitted to continue in the municipal service, I awarded a contract in December of 1950 to the J. L. Jacobs Company of Chicago to conduct a survey of positions in the city service exclusive of certain departments, namely, Police, Finance Commission, Library, School, School Buildings, and the Uniformed Force of the Fire Department, with a view to developing a Classification and Compensation Plan. This survey was completed in November of 1951 and covered approximately 10,300 positions occupied by employees of the city. Under the provisions of the General Laws, the classification of Civil Service positions in the service of the city is under the jurisdiction of the State Department of Civil Service. Under date of December 5, 1951, I forwarded to the Director of Civil Service a copy of the recommendations contained in the Jacobs survey and, in accordance with the provisions of the General Laws, requested him to establish a corresponding classification plan for the employees of the city, and put such a plan into effect. In compliance with this request the Director of Civil Service, after a review of the Jacobs recommendations and interviews with department heads, has made allocations of the positions in the city service covered by the survey and has notified each department head as to the allocation of the positions in his department, and also has notified each individual employee of his or her allocation.

While the Director of Civil Service was proceeding with the preparations for the establishment of a Classification Plan, the Mayor's Executive Committee on Administration was giving careful consideration to the Compensation Plan included in the Jacobs survey. This Compensation Plan has now been revised and coordinated with the Classification Plan which has been put into effect by the Director of Civil Service and will benefit immediately approximately 3,700 employees. Eventually all employees will benefit because adherence to the integrated plans will provide systematic means of employment and promotion. The salary schedules adopted for different grades provide in-grade salary advancements on the basis of period of service during the first years after appointment or promotion to a new position. In recognition of long and faithful service in the city departments, the Compensation Plan also provides two longevity pay increases for each classification grade. These longevity salary rates are provided on the basis of total service with the city regardless of length of service in any one position.

It has been estimated that the initial expense of putting this classification plan into effect will amount to approximately \$1,200,000 which amount has already been appropriated in a lump sum.

The Classification and Compensation Plan, of course, may have its imperfections and may include some items that are controversial and objectionable to some employees. The over-all gains, however, resulting from the adoption of a sound Classification and Compensation Plan far outweigh the effects of these minor difficulties. The Civil Service Laws and Regulations provide procedures for correcting situations of this nature in classifications. The fixing of salaries of employees is my responsibility. I have, therefore, set up a Compensation Review Board which will consider adjustment requests from employees relative to the grade allocation in the pay schedule, or in the application of the rules for administering the pay schedule.

For the further information of the City Council, I have directed the Budget Commissioner to submit the following material which will aid your Honorable Body in its consideration of the plan:

1. Letter to department heads from the Mayor.
2. Alphabetical list of positions fixing for each position a classification grade and assigning each position to a classification group.
3. Pay schedule fixing for each classification grade a minimum and maximum salary with intermediate rates.
4. Rules for administering the alphabetical list of positions and the pay schedule, which rules shall be deemed to supersede all other rules relative to the compensation of employees covered by the plan other than rules governing overtime service, sick leave, military leave and vacation leave.

5. Copies of forms for Adjustment in Classification and Compensation which have been prepared by each department for approval of the Mayor and the Director of Civil Service. These forms show the name of employee, new title, grade, old and new salary, the effective date, and the amount of the individual increase.

Under date of June 5, 1952, I submitted to the Council an order appropriating \$1,200,000 in lump-sum form so that this amount could be included in this year's tax levy. I also advised the Council that when the necessary details were completed in establishing a Classification and Compensation Plan an order would be submitted transferring from this lump-sum appropriation a sufficient amount to each individual department so that the employees' compensation could be adjusted in accordance with the plan. To provide for the compensation adjustments for the employees of the income departments, it is necessary to appropriate \$107,000 from the income of these departments. I submit herewith such orders and I most earnestly request that they be given prompt and favorable approval by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, 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 Classification and Compensation Plan, Establishment of, \$1,050,000, to the appropriation for Assessing Department, 1, Personal Services, \$16,000; Auditing Department, 1, Personal Services, \$8,000; Central Payroll Division, 1, Personal Services, \$2,200; Boston Retirement Board, 1, Personal Services, \$6,400; Boston Traffic Commission, 1, Personal Services, \$20,000; Budget Department, 1, Personal Services, \$1,200; Building Department, 1, Personal Services, \$10,000; Board of Appeal, 1, Personal Services, \$500; Board of Examiners, 1, Personal Services, \$300; City Clerk Department, 1, Personal Services, \$2,000; City Planning Board, 1, Personal Services, \$1,000; Collecting Department, 1, Personal Services, \$8,000; Election Department, 1, Personal Services, \$18,000; Fire Department, 1, Personal Services, \$26,000; Electrical Inspection Division, 1, Personal Services, \$8,000; Health Department, 1, Personal Services, \$20,000; Hospital Department, 1, Personal Services, \$325,000; Hospital Department, Sanatorium Division, 1, Personal Services, \$65,000; Institutions Department, Central Office, 1, Personal Services, \$3,500; Institutions Department, Child Welfare Division, 1, Personal Services, \$4,000; Institutions Department, Long Island Hospital, 1, Personal Services, \$54,000; Law Department, 1, Personal Services, \$8,000; Workmen's Compensation Service, 1, Personal Services, \$700; Municipal Employment Bureau, 1, Personal Services, \$1,100; Care of Veterans' Graves, 1, Personal Services, \$200; Park Department, 1, Personal Services, \$100,000; Park Department, Cemetery Division, 1, Personal Services, \$4,000; Public Buildings Department, 1, Personal Services, \$10,000; Market Division, 1, Personal Services, \$1,000; Public Welfare Department, Central Office, 1, Personal Services, \$25,000; Public Welfare Department, Temporary Home, 1, Personal Services, \$1,700; Public Welfare Department, Wayfarers' Lodge, 1, Personal Services, \$700; Public Works Department, Central Office, 1, Personal Services, \$3,000; Public Works Department, Automotive Division, 1, Personal Services, \$28,000; Public Works Department, Bridge Service, 1, Personal Services, \$48,000; Public Works Department, Ferry Service, 1, Personal Services, \$3,000; Public Works Department, Lighting Service, 1, Personal Services, \$500; Public Works Department, Paving Service, 1, Personal Services, \$35,000; Public Works Department, Sanitary Service, 1, Personal Services, \$100,000; Public Works Department, Sewer Service, 1, Personal Services, \$30,000; Registry Department, 1, Personal Services, \$8,000; Department of Veterans' Services, 1, Personal Services, \$12,000; Statistics Department, 1, Personal Services, \$500; Street Laying-Out Department, 1, Personal Services, \$13,000; Supply Department, 1, Personal Services, \$7,000; Treasury Department, 1, Personal Services, \$8,000; Board of Real Estate Commissioners, 1, Personal Services, \$2,000; City Recmrd, Publication of, 1, Personal Services, \$500.

Ordered, That the sum of \$107,000 be, and hereby is, appropriated for the purposes herein specified in the income departments, said amount to be met from the income of said departments and any excess over income from taxes.

PRINTING DEPARTMENT:

1. Personal Services..... \$20,000
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
WATER SERVICE:

1. Personal Services..... 75,000
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
SUMMER TUNNEL:

1. Personal Services..... 25,000
COLLECTING DEPARTMENT,
WATER DIVISION:

1. Personal Services..... 5,000

GRAND TOTAL.....\$107,000

Referred to the Executive Committee.

EMPLOYEES' RIGHTS OF APPEAL UNDER CLASSIFICATION PLAN.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 27, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Budget Commissioner relative to your order of October 20, 1952, advising the City Council of the rights of employees to appeal the classification assigned, and/or the ratings assigned, and to outline in detail what steps should be taken in prosecuting such appeals and that these rights of appeal statement be posted.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Budget Department, October 27, 1952.
Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of the following Council order:

"Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to advise the City Council, at their next meeting, as to the rights of employees to appeal as to the classification assigned, and/or as to the ratings assigned, and to outline in detail what steps should be taken in prosecuting such appeals."

The classifications and/or ratings of municipal employees is the responsibility of the Director of Civil Service. Rules and regulations have been promulgated by the Civil Service Commission establishing the procedure to be followed by employees who are aggrieved with their classifications and/or ratings.

These rules provide that the employees should have fourteen days to appeal from their ratings to the director and, if the finding was adverse, to the commission. The employees, when notified of their proposed rating, were given a complete statement in writing of their appeal rights. The time for appeal has expired and there are no further steps to be taken by the employees, except in the cases where the appeal has not yet been finally decided.

Very truly yours,

JOHN A. SULLIVAN,
Budget Commissioner.

Coun. PIEMONTE moved that the attached message and communication be returned to his Honor the Mayor and that the order passed by the City Council on October 20, 1952, be re-submitted to his Honor the Mayor for further answers to this order.

Coun. FOLEY moved to amend the motion of Councilor Piemonte by inserting after the word "work" in the aforementioned order of October 20, 1952, the words "and in a prominent place in the City Record," so that the order will read as follows:

"Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to advise the City Council at their next meeting as to the rights of employees to appeal as to the classifications assigned, and/or as to the ratings assigned and to outline in detail what steps should be taken in prosecuting such appeals; and be it further

"Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to have posted on bulletin boards or other suitable places in each department, and throughout the City Hall, and other places where employees work, and in a prominent place in the *City Record*, a statement of their rights to appeal and the steps that should be taken in prosecuting such appeals."

The amendment was adopted and the order, as amended, was passed.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

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

Claims.

Peggy Angelo, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at Washington street, near Corinth street.

Barbara Ballway, for compensation for damage to property caused by paint on bench on Boston Common.

Boston Ice Company, for compensation for damage to truck by fire apparatus.

Carl S. Bowers, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Anthony P. D'Ambrosio, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Julius Kopans, Esq., for compensation for injuries and damage to property by city car.

John J. Meads, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Sanitary Division.

A. L. Miller, doing business as Dart Metal Sales, for compensation for damage to property at 309 Warren street, Roxbury, caused by broken water main.

Henry Miller, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 227 Harrison avenue.

New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad Company, for compensation for damage to truck by city truck.

Joseph A. O'Brien, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Park Department.

Albert E. Pagliuca, for compensation for damage to property at 109 Charter street, caused by leak in water pipe.

Walton Lunch Company, for compensation for damage to property at 204 Dartmouth street, caused by sewer stoppage.

Agnes Wightman, for compensation for damage to ear caused by car of Police Department.

Licenses.

Petition of Hyde Park Bowling Alleys, 1226 Hyde Park avenue, Ward 18, for license to operate bowling alleys on the Lord's day.

HEARING BEFORE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held on November 10, at 10 A.M., on petition of Western Massachusetts Dump Truck Owners Association in the matter of prescribing minimum tonnage rates.

Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

NOTICE FROM DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.

Communication was received from the Department of Public Utilities transmitting copy of order granting petition of Boston Edison Company to erect poles and wires to be used jointly with the New England Telephone & Telegraph Company in West Boundary road, Hyde Park.

Placed on file.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFIRMATIONS.

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

Report on appointment by the Mayor of William G. Peters (referred October 20) as constable with

authority to serve civil process upon filing of bond—recommending that appointment be confirmed.

The report was accepted, and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councillors Foley and Kerrigan. Whole number of ballots 7, yeas 7, and the appointment was confirmed.

RECESS.

On motion of Councillor Kerrigan the Council voted to take a recess at 4.05 P.M., subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled and were called to order by Chairman WHITE at 4.48 P.M.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LICENSES.

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

Report on petitions (referred October 6) to operate bowling alleys on the Lord's day: Columbia Billiard Company, 558 Columbia road, Ward 13; German Workingmen's Association, 22 Amory avenue, Ward 11; Margaret M. Johns, 1453 Dorchester avenue, Ward 15; Kenmore Bowldrome, Inc., 82 Lausdowne street, Ward 5; Mount Pleasant Bowling and Billiards, 590 Dudley street, Ward 8—recommending that licenses be granted.

Report on petitions (referred October 20) to operate bowling alleys on the Lord's day: Crawford Bowling Alleys, 15 Hanover street, Ward 3; Egleston Bowlaway, 3186 Washington street, Ward 11; Jamaica Bowlaway, 702A Centre street, Ward 19; Strand Recreation Room, 716 East Broadway, Ward 6—recommending that licenses be granted.

Report on petition (referred today) to operate bowling alleys on the Lord's day: Hyde Park Bowling Alleys, 1226 Hyde Park avenue, Ward 18—recommending that license be granted.

The reports were accepted, and the licenses were severally granted under the usual conditions.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS.

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

1. Report on petition of Robert F. Barry (referred September 8) for indemnification for hospital, surgical, medical and nursing expenses incurred as a result of injury sustained by him while in the performance of his duty as member of the Boston Fire Department on February 26, 1952—recommending passage of the accompanying order:

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 100 of chapter 41 of the General Laws, upon petition of Robert F. Barry, a hoseman in the Fire Department for indemnification for hospital, surgical, medical and nursing expenses incurred by him as a result of an injury received, through no fault of his own, while in the performance of his duty on February 26, 1952, there be allowed and paid, as recommended by the Fire Commissioner and approved by the Corporation Counsel, to each of the following the amounts respectively stated:

Sylvester McGinn, M.D., \$140, Robert F. Barry (the petitioner), \$175, total, \$315, said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

2. Report on petition of Wells C. Carey (referred October 6) for indemnification for hospital, surgical, medical and nursing expenses incurred as a result of an injury sustained by him while in the performance of his duty as a member of the Boston Fire Department on July 28, 1952—recommending passage of the accompanying order.

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 100 of chapter 41 of the General Laws, upon petition of Wells C. Carey, a ladderman in the Fire Department, for indemnification for hospital, surgical, medical, and nursing expenses incurred by him as a result of an injury received through no fault of his own, while in the performance of his duty on July 28, 1952, there be allowed and paid, as recommended by the Fire Commissioner and approved by the Corporation Counsel, to the following the amount stated:

Massachusetts General Hospital, \$4.50, said amount to be charged to the appropriation for

Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

3. Report on petition of Carl F. Cuqua (referred September 8) for indemnification for hospital, surgical, medical and nursing expenses incurred as a result of an injury sustained by him while in the performance of his duty as a member of the Boston Fire Department on February 13, 1952—recommending passage of the accompanying order:

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 100 of chapter 41 of the General Laws, upon petition of Carl F. Cuqua, a ladderman in the Fire Department, for indemnification for hospital, surgical, medical and nursing expenses incurred by him as a result of an injury received through no fault of his own, while in the performance of his duty on February 13, 1952, there be allowed and paid, as recommended by the Fire Commissioner and approved by the Corporation Counsel, to the following the amount stated:

Harry E. Braconier, M.D., \$20, said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

4. Report on petition of William H. Halpin, (referred August 4) for indemnification for hospital, surgical, medical and nursing expenses incurred as a result of injuries sustained by him while in the performance of his duty as a member of the Boston Fire Department on January 5, 1951—recommending passage of the accompanying order:

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 100 of chapter 41 of the General Laws, upon petition of William H. Halpin, a ladderman in the Fire Department, for indemnification for hospital, surgical, medical and nursing expenses incurred by him as a result of injuries received through no fault of his own, while in the performance of his duty on January 5, 1951, there be allowed and paid, as recommended by the Fire Commissioner and approved by the Corporation Counsel, to each of the following the amounts respectively stated:

Massachusetts General Hospital, \$463.15, John A. Reidy, M.D., \$60, Florence L. Kenney, physiotherapist, \$76, Albert B. Ferguson, M.D., \$30, total, \$629.15, said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

5. Report on petition of James M. Sutton (referred July 14) for indemnification for hospital, surgical, medical and nursing expenses incurred as a result of injuries sustained by him while in the performance of his duty as a member of the Boston Fire Department on December 26, 1950—recommending passage of the accompanying order.

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 100 of chapter 41 of the General Laws, upon petition of James M. Sutton, a hoseman in the Fire Department, for indemnification for hospital, surgical, medical and nursing expenses incurred by him as a result of injuries received through no fault of his own, while in the performance of his duty on December 26, 1950, there be allowed and paid, as recommended by the Fire Commissioner and approved by the Corporation Counsel, to each of the following the amounts respectively stated:

Lawrence J. Obrey, D.D.S., F.A.C.D., \$350, Joseph H. Burnett, M.D., \$40, total, \$390, said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

6. Report on petition of Bartholomew F. Clements (referred September 8) for indemnification for hospital, surgical, medical and nursing expenses incurred as a result of an injury sustained by him while in the performance of his duty as a member of the Fire Department on October 1, 1951, having considered the same—recommending passage of the accompanying order:

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 100 of chapter 41 of the General Laws, upon petition of Bartholomew F. Clements, a captain in the Fire Department, for indemnification for hospital, surgical, medical and nursing bills incurred by him as a result of an injury received through no fault of his own, while in the performance of his duty on October 1, 1951, there be allowed and paid, as recommended by the Fire Commissioner and approved by the Corporation Counsel, to the following the amount stated:

Bartholomew F. Clements (the petitioner) \$20, said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

7. Report on petition of Thomas F. Hughes (referred October 20) for indemnification for hospital, surgical, medical and nursing expenses incurred as a result of an injury sustained by him while in the performance of his duty as a member of the Boston Fire Department on February 20, 1951—recommending passage of the accompanying order:

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 100 of chapter 41 of the General Laws, upon petition of Thomas F. Hughes, a ladderman in the Fire Department, for indemnification for hospital, surgical, medical and nursing expenses incurred by him as a result of an injury received through no fault of his own, while in the performance of his duty on February 20, 1951, there be allowed and paid, as recommended by the Fire Commissioner and approved by the Corporation Counsel, to the following the amount stated:

Thomas F. Hughes (petitioner), \$23.50, said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

8. Report on petition of Rizkallah R. Teebagy (referred June 23) for indemnification for hospital, surgical, medical and nursing expenses incurred as result of injuries sustained while in performance of his duty as member of Fire Department on February 18, 1952—recommending passage of the following:

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 100 of chapter 41 of the General Laws, upon petition of Rizkallah R. Teebagy, a lieutenant in the Fire Department, for indemnification for hospital, surgical, medical and nursing expenses incurred by him by reason of an injury received through no fault of his own, in the performance of his duty as a member of the Fire Department on February 18, 1952, there be allowed and paid, as recommended by the Fire Commissioner and approved by the Corporation Counsel, to each of the following the amounts respectively stated:

St. Elizabeth's Hospital, \$5.25, Kathleen M. Spellman, M.D., \$30, total, \$35.25, said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

9. Report on petition of Richard G. Berninger (referred June 23) for indemnification for hospital, surgical, medical and nursing expenses incurred as a result of injury sustained by him while in the performance of his duty as a member of the Fire Department on February 4, 1952—recommending passage of the following:

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 100 of chapter 41 of the General Laws, upon petition of Richard G. Berninger, a hoseman in the Fire Department, for indemnification for hospital, surgical, medical and necessary expenses incurred by him by reason of an injury sustained by him through no fault of his own, in the actual performance of his duty as a member of the Fire Department on February 4, 1952, there be allowed and paid, as recommended by the Fire Commissioner and approved by the Corporation Counsel, to each of the following the amounts respectively stated:

Martin H. Spellman, M.D., \$150, St. Elizabeth's Hospital, \$121.45, Leo P. Zentgraf, M.D., \$20, total, \$291.45, said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursement.

The reports were accepted, and the orders were severally passed.

REORGANIZATION AND CONSOLIDATION OF CITY DEPARTMENTS.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to furnish the City Council with a copy of the Plan on Reorganization and Consolidation of the City Departments as submitted to the Law Department; and be it further

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor furnish to this Honorable Body from time to time drafts of the proposed plan as they materialize.

On motion of Councillor Foley the foregoing order was amended by the addition of the following words:

Ordered, That in effecting such reorganization and consolidation due regard be given to the very desirable principle of municipal "Home Rule."

That blanket statutory authority be sought to permit reorganization and consolidation by municipal ordinance.

That in lieu of such statutory authority, all reorganization by statute be subject to acceptance of his Honor the Mayor and the Boston City Council.

That all reorganization susceptible of accomplishment by ordinance through the Mayor and Council be so accomplished.

The order as amended was passed under suspension of the rules.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF FRANCIS J. SALVATO.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:

Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend naming of the square at the intersection of Sever street and Rutherford avenue, Charlestown, in honor of Lieut. Francis J. Salvato, pilot, Air Force, who died in collision of two planes at Madagora Peninsula, Victoria, Texas, on February 29, 1944,

Passed under suspension of the rules.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF CANDELORO O. SALVATO.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:

Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend naming of the square at the intersection of Cambridge and Main streets, Charlestown, in honor of Pvt. Candeloro O. Salvato, gunner, Air Force, missing in action on trip from Aleutians to Japan, November 6, 1944.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

HEARINGS RE ASSESSMENT OF REAL ESTATE.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:

Ordered, That the Committee on Ordinances of the Boston City Council be instructed and is hereby authorized to hold hearings relative to the statutes, ordinances, regulations, and practices governing the assessment of real estate in Boston and especially with regard to abatements granted and the practice followed by the assessors in assessing in the following years parcels of real estate on which an abatement was granted by the assessors or action of the Appellate Tax Board, with a view to ascertaining the desirability and necessity of appropriate general enabling legislation for the purpose of establishing a sound policy with respect to said practice now employed; and to study the advisability of enabling legislation in order that property on which any portion of the tax is abated by the assessors or Tax Appellate Board be assessed in the three years next ensuing after the abatement at a figure no higher than the adjusted assessed valuation unless the said assessors shall in writing state their reason for a higher assessment; and be it further

Ordered, That said committee make a report of their findings and recommendations to this Honorable Body on or before Monday, December 1, 1952.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

PEDESTRIAN TRAFFIC LIGHT AT WASHINGTON STREET AND COREY ROAD, BRIGHTON.

Coun. AHEARN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Boston Traffic Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install a pedestrian traffic light at the intersection of Washington street and Corey road, in Brighton, where an especially serious traffic problem exists endangering the lives and safety of children using the Harriet Baldwin School and playground as well as adults using the local shopping center.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

SURVEY OF TRAFFIC CONDITIONS ON EGREMONT ROAD, BRIGHTON.

Coun. AHEARN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Boston Traffic Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to make a survey of traffic conditions on Egremont road, Brighton, with a view to making the necessary rules and regulations to alleviate a serious traffic condition endangering the lives and safety of children in the neighborhood.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

PEDESTRIAN TRAFFIC LIGHTS AT SPRING AND BAKER STREETS, WEST ROXBURY.

Coun. WHITE offered the following:

Ordered, That the Boston Traffic Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to make a survey of the Spring Street and Baker Street section of West Roxbury with a view to installing pedestrian traffic lights at the intersection of Spring street and Baker street where a serious traffic problem exists endangering the lives and safety of children going to and coming from the Joyce Kilmer School.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

"SLOW" SIGNS ON ADAMS AND CHESTNUT STREETS, CHARLESTOWN.

Coun. WHITE offered the following:

Ordered, That the Boston Traffic Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install "Slow" signs on Adams and Chestnut streets, Charlestown, for the purpose of alleviating a serious traffic condition endangering the lives and safety of children in the neighborhood.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

CHANGE OF WORDING ON OLD AGE ASSISTANCE CHECKS.

Coun. KERRIGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Overseers of Public Welfare be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to change the wording of the endorsement on the back of Old Age Assistance checks so that instead of reading "to the Overseers of Public Welfare," it will read "to the Bureau of Old Age Assistance."

Passed under suspension of the rules.

GROUP LIFE INSURANCE PLAN FOR MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES.

Coun. FOLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to submit the following text to the Corporation Counsel and the City Auditor for the purpose of checking its accuracy and upon that determination to direct the editor of the *City Record* to print the same in a prominent place therein:

"Recent legislation permits the establishment of a group life insurance plan for municipal employees. In its most usual application an employee would contribute \$1.20 a month for \$2,000 worth of life insurance. The municipality would contribute an amount approximately the same as the employee depending on the age and sex composition of the insured group. No medical examination would be required."

Passed under suspension of the rules.

PRINTING OF "ADJUSTMENT IN CLASSIFICATION AND COMPENSATION," FORMS.

Coun. FOLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to direct that there be printed in the *City Record* as soon as possible a copy of the "Adjustment in Classification and Compensation" form for each department.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

PREPARATION OF "PROGRAM BUDGETS"
FOR DEPARTMENTS.

Coun. FOLEY offered the following:

Resolved, Whereas, it is the earnest and sincere desire of the Boston City Council to effectively, efficiently and courteously discharge its duties with respect to the examination of the annual municipal budget; and

Whereas, In its present form, the annual budget is a difficult document to expeditiously, efficiently and thoroughly examine; and

Whereas, In the opinion of the City Council, budget information presented in the form known as "a program budget" would present information desired by the Council in a form much more useful to the Council in its deliberations than is the case with the present form; be it therefore

Resolved, That his Honor the Mayor direct the heads of departments to prepare at least rudimentary "program budgets" in accord with the recommendations of the Griffinhagen survey; be it further

Resolved, That a complete "program budget" be prepared in at least one department on an experimental basis.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

THE NEXT MEETING.

On motion of Councillor Piemonte the Council voted that when it adjourn it be to meet on Monday, November 10, 1952, at 2 P.M.

Adjourned at 5.15 P.M., on motion of Councillor Joyce, to meet on Monday, November 10, 1952, 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 10, 1952.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President PIEMONTE in the chair. Absent, Councillor Hailer.

Mr. Thomas E. Hurley, manager, Committee on Publications, the First Church of Christ Scientist, Falmouth street, Boston, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY MR. THOMAS E.
HURLEY.

Let us unite in a few moments of silent prayer, and then join in the repetition of the Lord's Prayer.

(A moment of silence was observed.)

Our Father, which art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the flag.

JURORS DRAWN.

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

Fifty-one traverse jurors, Superior Criminal Court, to appear December 1, 1952:

Ralph Gurevich, Ward 1; Arthur L. Murray, Ward 1; Edward Chappell, Ward 2; Francis J. Donahue, Ward 2; Michael Joseph Hassett, Ward 2; Alfred A. Citrano, Ward 3; Hyman Cores, Ward 3; John Parker, Ward 3; James J. Russo, Ward 3; Gerald Brown, Ward 5; Harold O. Cox, Ward 5; Mary Davis, Ward 5; Robert E. Lunerger, Ward 5; John F. Bennett, Ward 6; James W. Driscoll, Ward 6; Marjorie Harvender, Ward 6; Alfred Matulaitis, Ward 6; Harold L. McAvoy, Ward 6; Joseph J. Bonanno, Jr., Ward 7; Thomas J. Lydon, Ward 7; Francis J. Cremin, Ward 8; Phillip J. Dillen, Ward 8; Bristol Alston, Ward 9; Virginia Gladden, Ward 9; Leland Jenkins, Ward 9; Lillian Godboldt, Ward 10; Francis X. Doyle, Ward 11; Arthur C. Gillam, Ward 12; Veronica M. Murphy, Ward 12; Samuel M. Solomon, Ward 12; John Sullivan, Ward 13; Abraham Jacobs, Ward 14; David F. Arthur, Ward 15; Walter E. Ledwith, Ward 16; Richard R. O'Connell, Ward 16; Bertha Reid, Ward 16; John J. Moran, Ward 17; Henry E. Hirschel, Ward 18; George D. James, Ward 18; William E. Nelson, Ward 18; Edward D. Avery, Ward 19; William T. Furze, Ward 19; William Dodd, Ward 20; Joseph Orsi, Ward 20; Edgar J. Beaupre, Ward 21; Samuel Brenner, Ward 21; Aloma F. Dueharme, Ward 21; Edward J. Fitzgerald, Jr., Ward 21; William J. MacIsaac, Ward 21; Frank A. Moran, Ward 21; Anthony Fascenda, Ward 22.

One hundred sixty traverse jurors, Superior Civil Court, to appear December 1, 1952:

Albert Filosa, Ward 1; Joseph F. Hegnor, Ward 1; Louis J. Lichtenberg, Ward 1; Patrick Mauriello, Ward 1; John J. Mendoza, Ward 1; Mario M. Messina, Ward 1; John A. Paulson, Ward 1; George Penta, Ward 1; Michael Rizzo, Ward 1; Leo J. Silipigni, Ward 1; Frank W. Stringi, Ward 1; Vincenzo Antonio V. Vecchio, Ward 1; William N. Dick, Ward 2; Philip Doherty, Ward 2; Walter F. Morrissey, Ward 2; Dario R. Pepe, Ward 2; George C. Tegan, Ward 2; Alfio Bonfiglio, Ward 3; Anthony J. Contardo, Ward 3; Antonio Ferullo, Ward 3; Barbara Higginbottom, Ward 3; Helen Jabour, Ward 3; Florence M. MacKinnon, Ward 3; Maria Maravigna, Ward 3; Kenneth W. O'Donoghue, Ward 3; Michael Pagliuca, Ward 3; Michael

Pasquale, Ward 3; Anthony Ricci, Ward 3; Samuel Weiner, Ward 3; Saul Weslow, Ward 3; Edward A. Bickford, Ward 4; Arthur Bolduc, Ward 4; Howard Carey, Ward 4; Ronald E. DesAutels, Ward 4; James P. Hayes, Ward 4; Read Hickson, Ward 4; Warren C. Lussier, Ward 4; Robert S. Moore, Ward 4; Theodora Murphy, Ward 4; Louis W. Petersen, Ward 4; Annie Mae Scott, Ward 4; John L. H. Trudel, Ward 4; Robert L. Wayne, Ward 4; George E. Wells, Ward 4; Herbert S. Adams, Ward 5; Samuel E. Banks, Ward 5; Margaret C. Buckley, Ward 5; Leanna Geddie, Ward 5; Irving A. Isaacs, Ward 5; Ioanis Kanelopoulos, Ward 5; George MacLeod, Ward 5; David M. K. McKibbin, Ward 5; Josephine B. Roach, Ward 5; John P. Duffy, Ward 5; Stella Joseph, Ward 6; John Keating, Ward 6; Paul Newton, Ward 6; Joseph Noto, Ward 6; Walter Bailey, Ward 7; Harold F. Barry, Ward 7; John P. Boyle, Ward 7; John F. Cooke, Ward 7; Thomas F. Finn, Ward 7; Anthony Gattuso, Ward 7; Henry J. A. Julian, Ward 7; Bernard Power, Ward 7.

John T. Breen, Ward 8; Maurice A. Dresser, Ward 8; Samuel Grillo, Ward 8; Maurice A. Herne, Ward 8; William J. Lord, Ward 8; Benjamin Marder, Ward 8; John J. Morgan, Ward 8; Charles M. Searlata, Ward 8; William Collins, Ward 9; Edgar U. Dingle, Ward 9; Nicholas A. Domaney, Ward 9; John J. Flynn, Ward 9; Walter Kane, Ward 9; George E. Lehtola, Ward 9; Lewis W. Peters, Ward 9; Ann Rosen, Ward 9; Joseph E. McElaney, Ward 10; Donald T. O'Keefe, Ward 10; Evelyn St. Martin, Ward 10; Leo J. Shea, Jr., Ward 10; Gerard Dandurand, Ward 11; Carl G. Egersheim, Ward 11; Edward J. Force, Jr., Ward 11; Benjamin F. Johnson, Ward 11; Henry M. Judge, Ward 11; Charles McCarthy, Ward 11; Harold Munson, Ward 11; Nathan Oberman, Ward 11; Louis Price, Ward 11; John B. Riley, Ward 11; Joseph P. Sullivan, Ward 11; John A. Thoma, Ward 11; Nathan Goldman, Ward 12; Andrew J. Pierce, Ward 12; Philip Resnick, Ward 12; Bradford H. Crosby, Ward 13; Mary L. Dudley, Ward 13; Garabed Kazarian, Ward 13; Walter David Reardon, Ward 13; Beatrice B. Terry, Ward 13; Monte B. Thomas, Ward 13; William E. Tobin, Ward 13; Anna Bendixon, Ward 14; Walter J. Casey, Ward 14; Basil Cogswell, Ward 14; Louis Green, Ward 14; Sidney Levy, Ward 14; Philip Rosenberg, Ward 14; David S. Schawbel, Ward 14; Hyman Shrair, Ward 14; Abraham Stern, Ward 14; Sarah Weinfield, Ward 14; Dennis V. Zebro, Ward 14; Pauline Zeidman, Ward 14; Bernard J. A. Chisholm, Ward 15; George L. Doran, Ward 15; George R. Pettitt, Ward 15; Eli Sullivan, Ward 15; Frank O. Lunden, Ward 16; Paul J. Madden, Ward 16; Patrick F. Sullivan, Ward 16; Carl G. Westine, Ward 16; Ralph B. Willard, Ward 16; William W. Francis, Ward 17; Benjamin Katler, Ward 17; Joseph DeBellis, Ward 18; Dorothy M. Farnham, Ward 18; Lester Greiner, Ward 18; Charles J. Klusber, Ward 18; John D. Niver, Ward 18; John H. Gallagher, Ward 19; John L. Malone, Ward 19; Elizabeth C. Pingree, Ward 19; William W. Brooks, Ward 20; Thomas J. Carney, Ward 20; Charles E. Churchill, Ward 20; Leon A. Dwan, Ward 20; Margaret M. Glynn, Ward 20; William J. O'Brien, Ward 20; Ralph R. Young, Jr., Ward 20; Mark H. Clinton, Ward 21; Michael J. Coyne, Ward 21; Harold I. DelVecchio, Ward 21; Harry Kane, Ward 21; David N. Quigley, Ward 21; George D. Sperring, Ward 21; Timothy J. Coakley, Ward 22; James J. Conlin, Ward 22; Walter J. Duddy, Ward 22; Frank Epstein, Ward 22; James T. Golden, Ward 22; Michael J. Hickey, Ward 22; Myriam P. Sullivan, Ward 22; Brewster A. Thorburn, Ward 22.

EMPLOYEES' RIGHT TO APPEAL UNDER
CLASSIFICATION PLAN.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, October 29, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

In response to the orders adopted by your Honorable Body on October 20 and 27, please be informed that the new employees' Classification and Compensation Plan contains the following rule:

Rule 14 — Compensation Review Board.

Any employee aggrieved by the grade allocation of his or her position in the salary schedule or in

the application of these rules to his or her case may request consideration of the facts by the Compensation Review Board. This Board shall consist of three members to be appointed by the Mayor. From time to time the Board may recommend to the Mayor changes in individual grade allocations and amendments or revisions in the rules of the plan.

I am instructing the Budget Commissioner, as requested in your order, to post this rule on the bulletin boards throughout the city.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, November 3, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the editor of the Boston City Record, relative to your order of October 27, 1952, requesting that there be printed in a prominent place in that paper a statement of the employees' rights to appeal the compensation grade assigned them.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City Hall, Boston,

November 1, 1952.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

With reference to the City Council order of October 27, 1952, relative to printing in a prominent place in the City Record a statement of the employees' rights to appeal the compensation grade awarded them under the Compensation and Classification Plan, I wish to state that I have complied with this request by having had such a statement printed in the November 1 issue of the City Record.

Respectfully yours,

JOSHUA H. JONES,
Editor, City Record.

Placed on file.

GROUP INSURANCE PLAN FOR MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, October 30, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

With reference to the order adopted by your Honorable Body on October 27, concerning a group insurance plan for municipal employees, may I state that this matter has not yet been given full consideration, and will not be given full consideration until budget requirements are being assembled for the following year.

To print in the City Record the text suggested in the order might lead to the belief that the city is prepared to go forward and contribute an equal amount with employees for such group insurance. As the adoption of such a plan might mean an additional appropriation of \$250,000 per year on the part of the city, it is a matter which properly should be considered at the time of the preparation of the budget for the year 1953.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

SURVEY OF TRAFFIC CONDITIONS ON EGREMONT ROAD, BRIGHTON.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, November 3, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of the Boston Traffic Commission, relative to your order of October 27, 1952, concerning the request that a survey be made of traffic conditions on Egremont road, Brighton.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,

October 30, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes,

Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

With reference to the City Council order of October 27, 1952, requesting that a survey be made of traffic conditions on Egremont road in Brighton, I wish to report that at a meeting of this Commission held today it was voted to establish Egremont road as one way from Washington street to Cummings road.

Accordingly, this rule will become effective within a few weeks.

Sincerely yours,

WM. ARTHUR REILLY,
Commissioner.

Placed on file.

"SLOW" SIGNS ON ADAMS AND CHESTNUT STREETS, CHARLESTOWN.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, November 7, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of the Boston Traffic Commission, relative to your order of October 27, 1952, requesting the installation of "Slow" signs on Adams and Chestnut streets, Charlestown.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,

November 5, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes,

Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

With reference to the Council order dated October 27, 1952, requesting the installation of "Slow" signs on Adams and Chestnut streets in Charlestown, I wish to report that orders have this day been issued to erect a "Slow" sign on the street name post at the corner of Chestnut street, Adams street, and Lowney Way; also another one in Chestnut street about opposite the southerly street line of Mt. Vernon avenue.

Respectfully yours,

WM. ARTHUR REILLY,
Commissioner.

Placed on file.

PEDESTRIAN TRAFFIC LIGHT AT SPRING AND BAKER STREETS, WEST ROXBURY.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, November 3, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of the Boston Traffic Commission, relative to your order of October 27, 1952, concerning the request that a survey be made of traffic conditions at Spring and Baker streets, West Roxbury.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,

October 31, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes,

Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

With reference to the City Council order of October 27, requesting that a survey be made of the Spring Street-Baker Street section of West Roxbury, with a view to installing pedestrian traffic lights at the intersection of Baker and Spring streets, I wish to report that when Spring street was reconstructed recently, underground conduit was installed in anticipation of a traffic signal light installation at this intersection.

I am unable at this time to make a definite commitment regarding a date when lights will be installed, but, as may be seen from the above, the Traffic Commission recognizes the problem in this

area and has progressed in accordance with its resources to deal with the situation.

Respectfully yours,
 W.M. ARTHUR REILLY,
 Commissioner.

Placed on file.

RESURFACING BERNARD STREET,
 DORCHESTER.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, November 3, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Public Works Commissioner, relative to order sent on August 25, 1952, to the Board of Street Commissioners, concerning the request to repave and resurface Bernard street, Dorchester, Ward 14.

Respectfully,
 J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
 Public Works Department,
 October 30, 1952.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
 Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Mr. Shannon:

This is in reference to the following order that was passed in the City Council under date of August 25:

"Ordered, That the Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to repave and resurface Bernard street, Dorchester, Ward 14."

This matter was forwarded to this department after the Board of Street Commissioners determined that the area of Bernard street referred to involved the public way between Talbot avenue, and the right of way of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad. In 1951, Bernard street was resurfaced from Harvard street to Talbot avenue, and consideration will be given to including in the 1953 highway program that section that extends from Talbot avenue to the above-referenced right of way.

Respectfully yours,
 GEORGE G. HYLAND,
 Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

LEASE OF FRANKLIN SCHOOL TO
 BOSTON FIREMAN'S POST.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, November 3, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Superintendent of Public Buildings, relative to your order of October 20, 1952, concerning the request to lease the Franklin School, Boston, to the Boston Fireman's Post, American Legion, Post 94.

Respectfully,
 J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
 Public Buildings Department,
 October 31, 1952.

Thomas G. Shannon,
 Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

Relative to the attached City Council order of October 20, 1952, requesting us to lease the old Franklin School at 1151 Washington street to the Boston Fireman's Post, American Legion, I wish to inform you as follows:

At the present time two other organizations hold meetings at the above building, namely, the George J. Whitten Camp, No. 1, United Spanish War Veterans, Inc., and the Denton Post, V. F. W. The Whitten Camp has for some time past been urging us to turn over the custody of the building to the Boston Fireman's Post. Consequently, in order to eliminate divided responsibility as regards to maintenance, etc., of the building, and in the best interests of the city, the old Franklin School is being turned over to the Boston Fireman's Post for care and custody.

Although the Fireman's Post will have charge of the above-mentioned building, satisfactory arrange-

ments agreeable to all parties concerned will be made. The Denton Post and the Whitten Camp will continue to occupy quarters and to hold their meetings as usual.

Very truly yours,
 GEORGE P. DONOVAN,
 Superintendent of Public Buildings.

Placed on file.

REVISING OPERATING TIME OF
 PARKING METERS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, November 10, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner, relative to your order of September 22, 1952, requesting a study to consider the advisability of amending the regulation governing the operation of parking meters so that their operation shall expire at 5 P.M. instead of 6 P.M., and requesting that the Traffic Commission advise the City Council of their determination.

Respectfully,
 J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
 November 5, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
 Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

With reference to City Council order of September 22, 1952, requesting a study to consider the advisability of amending the regulation governing the operation of parking meters so that their operation would expire at 5 P.M. instead of 6 P.M., I wish to submit the following report:

Immediately upon receipt of the Council order this matter was brought to the attention of our engineers, and, subsequently, after communicating with the President of the Council, the facts which prompted the Council order were given full consideration and the matter discussed by the Traffic Commission at two separate meetings.

On a city-wide basis it appears that nothing would be gained by having the parking meter time expire at 5 P.M. instead of 6 P.M. as at present, inasmuch as the result would merely be that those parked at meters could remain after 5 P.M. without fee.

In many locations of the city it is desirable to regulate parking conditions quite strictly between the hours of 4 P.M. and 6 P.M. In other cases it is not so important as they are sections of residential character.

To establish varied regulations such as would result from having parking meter time expire at 6 P.M. in one location and 5 P.M. in another would make police enforcement difficult.

The Commission does not feel that it is desirable at this time to change the parking meter hours on a city-wide basis and it hesitates to make a special regulation for an individual street which would not result in any improvement in traffic regulations and conditions and which would complicate the problem of police enforcement.

We have the desire to cooperate in every way possible to accommodate the convenience of residents but we do not feel that the desired result would be achieved by the adoption of changed parking meter regulations as suggested by the Council order.

Respectfully yours,
 W.M. ARTHUR REILLY,
 Commissioner.

Placed on file.

REPORT OF MAYOR'S ADMINISTRATIVE
 COMMITTEE RE REORGANIZATION
 AND CONSOLIDATION OF CITY
 DEPARTMENTS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, November 3, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

In accordance with the order adopted by your Honorable Body on October 27, 1952, I forward herewith the report of the Mayor's Administrative Committee relative to the proposed reorganization of city departments.

With reference to your request that the proposed consolidation be done by authority of ordinance, it is our intention to seek enabling legislation at the coming session of the Legislature, which will permit the reorganization to be done by this means.

For this reason, no steps will be taken toward the accomplishment of the reorganization plan until further and necessary legislative authority is given to the city.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Mayor's Administrative Committee,

August 19, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

The committee appointed by you to review and analyze the recommendations contained in the survey reports of the Boston Finance Commission submits for your consideration the following comments on the "Final Report" dealing with the organization of the executive branch of the Boston city government.

This report covers 51 printed pages and sets forth the existing plan of organization, enumerates the so-called defects in this plan, and suggests a type of organization under which effective executive control and supervision could be exercised. There is presented in the following paragraphs a brief synopsis of the report, together with our comments on the major recommendations contained in the report. Schedules A and B have been prepared to indicate the proposed type of organization as well as the disposition of existing agencies within the proposed plan.

Existing Organization.

Boston operates under the plan of organization customarily designated as the strong Mayor type of government. Under this plan the Mayor heads the executive branch of the city government and has individual responsibility for the work of that branch. In Boston, however, many executive functions lie wholly or partly outside the Mayor's jurisdiction, under the control of independent or semi-independent officials. In addition, the executive branch of Boston's government embraces 37 departments and agencies, 21 of which have been created by statute. This high degree of decentralization and inflexibility, together with the number of executive functions exercised independently of the Mayor, serves, as stated by the Finance Commission, "to limit seriously the possibility of securing effective economical administration."

Limits on Reorganization.

Under the provisions of section 5 of the City Charter, the Mayor and City Council may "reorganize, consolidate or abolish, in whole or in part, departments," except the School Department, the Election Department and the departments in charge of an official or officials appointed by the Governor. The extent to which the Mayor and Council may exercise this charter reorganization provision is open to serious question. As previously pointed out, over one half of the existing executive agencies have been created by statute, which means any proposal for reorganizing, consolidating or abolishing these departments would encounter extensive statutory obstacles and barriers. It is apparent, therefore, that any fundamental change in the existing executive structure cannot be secured without legislative sanction and approval.

This conclusion should not discourage, however, the formulation of a proposed plan of organization which will tend to correct or remove the obvious defects in the existing organization. The preparation of such a plan for consideration and discussion may well prove to be the initial step in a course of action which will ultimately result in fait accompli.

Proposed Plan.

According to the Finance Commission, the most serious defect in the present executive organization is the dispersion of authority and responsibility among so many departments and agencies. It is patently impossible for the Mayor to maintain contacts and be conversant with the problems of 37 independent organization units. In addition, duplication of effort and, in many cases, of facilities results from this diffusion of responsibility. To overcome existing organizational defects a plan is proposed for "the grouping of functions and

activities which involve similar processes or operations under the control of the same department head."

The main recommendations of this plan may be summarized as follows:

1. Consolidate the 37 existing executive agencies under 10 departments, each of which would be headed by a director to be appointed by the Mayor. These 10 officials would serve as managerial assistants to the Mayor and would be the central source of information and advice for the Mayor and the Council in connection with the functional activities under their direction. At the same time, they would be responsible for the integration and coordination of the activities of their subordinate divisions in accordance with the policy decisions of the Mayor.

2. Each department would be divided into two or more divisions, the number being dependent upon the various activities in which the individual department is engaged. Division heads should be career men and not subject to replacement upon a change in administration. Although subordinate to department directors, division heads with statutory responsibilities and duties would continue to exercise these functions, subject to such measure of control and direction as the department director should choose to exercise.

3. All departments and divisions shall be headed by single administrators. This means that all existing Boards or Commissions would have no administrative powers or duties but would function solely as advisory, rule-making, quasi-judicial and quasi-legislative agencies.

4. Creation of the position of Chief of Staff or Administrative Assistant to the Mayor. This position would rank above the level of that of the highest ranking department director. The occupant would serve as the strong right hand of the Mayor in matters of top-level general management and internal administration of the executive branch.

Comments.

Number of Departments.—Your committee agrees that existing executive agencies may be consolidated into 10 functional groups. As indicated in Schedule A, however, we suggest the following modifications in the arrangement of three departments:

1. Include the proposed Department of Assessing as a division in the Department of Finance.

2. Eliminate the proposed Department of Engineering and in its stead establish a Department of Public Property.

3. Divide the proposed Department of Health and Welfare into two departments, one to be called the Department of Public Health and the other, the Department of Public Welfare.

Since the Assessing Department is the chief revenue-producing agency of the city, it would appear desirable to include it within the Department of Finance rather than as proposed, establishing it as a separate and independent department. To insure an integrated and coordinated fiscal policy for the city, it would seem desirable to have all financial agencies within one department. Under this arrangement the Director of Finance would be the single source of financial information for the guidance of the city administration.

Moreover, the proposed plan recommends that the Board of Assessors be abolished, and that the work of the department be confined to the assessment of real and personal property under a single administrator. Appeals from the valuations determined by the department would be considered by a newly constituted local review board, which agency would function at an intermediate level between the department and the existing Board of Tax Appeal. Under such an arrangement a divisional status rather than that of an independent department would appear appropriate.

It is proposed that all engineering activities of the Traffic Commission, Public Works, Park, and Street Laying-Out Departments, together with all functions now exercised by Public Buildings Department and Suffolk County Court House Commission, be transferred to a new department to be known as the Department of Engineering.

The divisions within this department would correspond rather closely to the present decentralized pattern. While admitting that engineering is largely a staff function, your committee questions whether the bringing together in one central agency of all existing engineering facilities would work out effectively and efficiently. The experience and training of the several engineering staffs has been necessarily limited to the particular service with which they have been associated. As individuals they have become experts in their particular fields, but do not possess the all-round engineering background which would appear necessary and desirable in the centralized setup.

Under the proposed divisional setup of the Engineering Department, it would appear as though specialized engineering services would be continued. If this is so, it would appear much more desirable to continue these services within the agencies being served. It must be remembered that over forty years ago it was found desirable to break up the then existing City Engineer's Office into various sections and divisions. Instead of the Engineering Department as proposed, we would favor a Department of Public Property, to include the activities of the present Public Buildings Department and the Board of Real Estate Commissioners.

In the belief that a Department of Health and Welfare would be difficult to administer, your committee favors breaking this proposed department into its two constituent parts and establishing each part as a separate and independent department.

Divisional Organization.—In Schedule B an attempt has been made to compare the disposition of existing organization units as proposed in the Finance Commission report with the reallocation favored by your committee. While we agree in a large number of instances with the opinions of the Surveyor, we feel it necessary to express a difference of opinion in the following recommendations.

Postauditing Function.—In the opinion of the Surveyor, the responsibility for conducting post-audits of municipal accounts should be transferred from the Auditing Department to the City Council. We are inclined to question the wisdom and necessity for this change. For several years past, the State Division of Accounts has maintained a force of auditors and accountants in City Hall to conduct a continuous audit of the financial transactions of the city. The members of this particular unit have had wide experience and training in the auditing of municipal accounts, and, therefore, are qualified for the work which they are performing. We favor continuance of this type of postaudit.

Abolition of the Collecting Department.—Under the survey proposal, the Division of the Treasury would assume the functions of the present Treasury and Collecting Departments. In effect, this would mean the abolition of the present City Collector's position but would undoubtedly necessitate the appointment of two deputies to assist the division head in the administration of the two units which would be under his direction. In 1951, collections in excess of \$150,000,000 were handled by the Collecting Department. Direction of the activities involved in the collection of this substantial sum would seem to warrant retention of the present administrative status of the Collecting Department. We favor a divisional status of the Collecting Department within the proposed Department of Finance.

Building Maintenance.—One of the activities of the proposed Department of Engineering, on which we have commented previously, was the centralization within this department of the maintenance and operation of all city buildings. This would mean that police stations, branch libraries, hospital buildings, and foreclosed property would be maintained and operated by this centralized agency. While theoretically an argument may be developed in support of this proposal, we are inclined to believe that from a practical point of view the proposal would not work out effectively or efficiently. We feel it desirable to continue the present system under which each department maintains and operates its own structures.

Child Welfare.—It is proposed in the survey report that this agency be transferred to the Department of Public Welfare and given divisional status within this major department. We agree that since the Child Welfare Division is a case-work

agency it properly belongs in a social service department as suggested by the surveyor. In view of the fact, however, that Boston is the sole municipality in the state to maintain a division of this character, and, further, since a substantial number of the children under the care of the Division are boarded in foster homes outside of the city, we favor transfer of this agency to the Division of Child Guardianship in the State Department of Public Welfare.

Maintenance of Automotive Equipment.—The Surveyor proposes the consolidation of all Automotive Division maintenance activities within the Department of Supply. We question this particular recommendation since we believe the Supply Department is not the proper agency for the assignment of such a task. We believe that the Automotive Division of the Public Works Department offers an appropriate nucleus whenever it is determined that an over-all consolidation of automatic equipment maintenance activities is desirable.

Board of Real Estate Commissioners.—The Surveyor suggests that this board be abolished and that its current activities be transferred to various divisions. At the present time the board has two main activities: development of off-street parking facilities and the care and disposal of foreclosed property. The committee feels that these activities are of sufficient import and distinction to warrant continuance of the board as a division within the proposed Department of Public Property.

County Court House Commission.—The Surveyor suggests that this commission be abolished and that all its functions be transferred to the division where it is contemplated all building maintenance and operation activities would be centralized. We have already indicated our objection to this proposed division. In addition, we feel it desirable to point out that the Court House Commission is established by statute and that one of the provisions of this legislation is that the city shall be reimbursed by the state for 30 per cent of the maintenance costs of the Court House. We are inclined to believe that the proposed abolition of the commission would seriously jeopardize the continuance of this reimbursement provision.

Boards and Commissions.—Your committee finds itself in accord with the suggestion that departments should not be headed by boards or commissions. Beyond question, these agencies have their uses—for advisory purposes in some cases; to review administrative decisions or rules affecting persons or property; or to assist in developing and interpreting a new program which must be understood and accepted by the people before it can become effective in action. Thus, there may be room in the administrative structure for an advisory health council, for a board of tax review, for a planning board; but actual administration involving direction of personnel and execution of policy, as in all other fields, should be the undivided responsibility of a single administrator responsible directly to the chief executive. Better planning, surer progress and more effective over-all administrative control are more certain under a single head than when a "meeting of the minds" must precede all decision and action.

Chief of Staff.—The ceremonial, social, political, and civic demands upon a mayor in a city the size of Boston constitute a full-time job. Whatever his ability or interest in the management and direction of the executive branch, no mayor can ever expect to find enough time to do personally more than a small fraction of what is needed in this field. This fact is apparent when it is considered that allowance of one hour a week for consultation with the heads of each of the 37 existing departments would consume the entire municipal work week. It would appear therefore that the Mayor, as the responsible executive head of the city, should be supplied with suitable means of implementing general policy, controlling over-all operations, and coordinating departmental efforts. This need has been recognized in at least two cities close to Boston, namely New York and Philadelphia, where, under the existing plan of organization, the mayor is supplied with administrative assistance of the type suggested in the Finance Commission's recommendation.

Respectfully,

CHARLES J. FOX,
JOHN A. SULLIVAN,
JOHN DEMEULENAER.

(Appended to this report are Schedules A and B.)
Referred to the Committee on Ordinances.

APPROPRIATION FROM PARKMAN FUND INCOME.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, November 10, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of the attached communication from the Board of Park Commissioners, requesting the appropriation of \$25,000 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 1952 budget estimates of the personal service requirements of the Park Department included an estimate of the total income of \$183,000 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 \$25,000, the accrued income now available from the Parkman Fund, and respectfully recommend its immediate passage by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, November 5, 1952.
Hon. John B. Hynes,
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 \$25,000 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..... \$25,000

When making up the budget estimates for the year 1952, a sum equal to the total yearly income of the George F. Parkman Fund was deducted from Item 100, Permanent Employees, with the understanding that this deduction was to be replaced by the total yearly income of said Parkman Fund for 1952, to be transferred as it accrued, from time to time during the year, to the regular maintenance appropriation of the Park Department.

Respectfully yours,
FRANK R. KELLEY, Chairman.

Ordered. That the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) 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..... \$25,000

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Finance.

TAKING OF SHELLFISH IN BOSTON.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, November 10, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

Although the City of Boston has for years been authorized by G. L. (Ter. Ed.) c. 130, s. 52, as amended, to regulate and control the taking of shellfish within its limits, it has never effectively undertaken to do so with the result that any person, whether an inhabitant of Boston or not, who holds a permit granted by the State Director of Marine Fisheries, under G. L. (Ter. Ed.) c. 130, s. 75, as amended, may take shellfish in Boston if he complies with the conditions of such permit and applicable statutes. It has come to my attention that Bostonians engaged in the business of taking shellfish for commercial purposes are being kept from pursuing their business in certain

Massachusetts municipalities which, by action under G. L. (Ter. Ed.) c. 130, s. 52, as amended, are preserving their shellfisheries for their own inhabitants. No reason appears why Boston, so far as it may lawfully do so, should not likewise keep its shellfisheries for such of its inhabitants as engage in the business of taking shellfish for commercial uses. Transmitted herewith is an ordinance to that end. I recommend its adoption.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston.

In the Year Nineteen Hundred and
Fifty-two.

An Ordinance Regulating the Taking of Shellfish in the City of Boston.

Be it ordained by the City Council of Boston, as follows:

Chapter 40 of the Revised Ordinances of 1947 is hereby amended by inserting after section 22 the following:

Taking of Shellfish.

SECT. 22A. (1) Effective January 1, 1953, there shall be granted by the city council family use shellfish permits and commercial use shellfish permits. A family use shellfish permit may be granted upon written application by any inhabitant of the commonwealth; but a commercial use shellfish permit shall be granted only upon written application by an inhabitant of the city of Boston. No application for a family use, or for a commercial use, shellfish permit shall be denied except for good cause. Every family use, and every commercial use, shellfish permit, shall be upon the condition that the holder thereof shall at all times conform to all applicable laws and shall not take shellfish from any area determined under section 74 of chapter 130 of the General Laws to be contaminated except in accordance with a permit granted under section 75 of said chapter 130 and upon such other conditions as the city council shall think proper. Any family use, or commercial use, shellfish permit may at any time, after due notice and hearing, be revoked by the city council for any breach of condition or other good cause. No family use, or commercial use, shellfish permit shall be transferable. Every family use, and every commercial use, shellfish permit, shall, unless sooner revoked, expire on the fifteenth day of whichever of the months of January, May or September next succeeds the month in which such permit is granted. The fee for every family use shellfish permit, and for every renewal thereof, shall be one dollar; and the fee for every commercial use shellfish permit, and for every renewal thereof, shall be five dollars.

(2) Any inhabitant of the commonwealth holding a family use shellfish permit granted under paragraph (1) of this section may, on and after January 1, 1953, take, for his own family use, shellfish from the following area in the city of Boston, to wit: the flats and coastal waters adjoining on the south such portion of the road leading from Marine Park to Castle Island as lies within fifteen hundred feet of the upland of Castle Island; provided, however, that no shellfish shall be taken from said area of a size or at a season prohibited by law; and provided, further, that the amount taken for any family shall not exceed in any one week one bushel of any or all kinds of shellfish; and provided, further, that no shellfish shall be taken from so much of said area as shall from time to time be determined under section 74 of chapter 130 of the General Laws to be contaminated except in accordance with a permit granted under section 75 of said chapter 130.

(3) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (2) of this section, on and after January 1, 1953, no person shall take any kind of shellfish within the city of Boston unless he holds a commercial use shellfish permit granted under paragraph (1) of this section. No shellfish shall be taken for commercial purposes from the area described in paragraph (2) of this section.

Referred to the Committee on Ordinances.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

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

Claims.

Mary J. Angeleri, for compensation for damage to car by truck of Fire Department.

Timothy S. Buckley, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Dolores M. Bulkowski, for compensation for damage to car by street-cleaning vehicle.

Edgar O. Carnell, for daughter Rosemary Carnell, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 1018 Washington street, Dorchester.

Aaron B. Cohen, to be reimbursed for expenses incurred in digging for leak in water pipe at 73 Mountain avenue, Dorchester.

S. William Columbo, for compensation for damage to car by fire truck.

James P. Craig, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Sanitary Division.

Helen Davis, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Pleasanton street, Roxbury.

Richard H. Davis, for compensation for damage to car by fire truck.

Joseph I. Flynn, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Frederick W. Goldie, for compensation for damage to car by police wagon.

Deeb C. Heney, for compensation for damage to car by car of Public Works Department.

John N. Jenkins, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him on account of his acts as employee of Sewer Division.

Julia Lovinger, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 448 Beacon street.

Anthony F. Lucido, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at Friend and Traverse streets.

Massachusetts Division of American Automobile Association, for compensation for damage to car of C. G. Goldstein by fire apparatus.

William E. Matthews, to be reimbursed as result of expenses incurred in repairing sewer pipes at 984 Hyde Park avenue.

Frank M. McCloskey, to be reimbursed for loss of false teeth at Boston City Hospital.

New England Spun Silk Corporation, for compensation for damage to property at 342 Western avenue, Brighton, by fire apparatus.

Mrs. George E. Nicholls, to be reimbursed for expenses incurred by fall at Warren and Clifford streets.

Railway Express Agency, for compensation for damage to vehicle by Fire Department truck.

Robert W. Russell, for compensation for damage to property at 2 Strong place, caused by leak in water main.

Frederick A. Sanford, for compensation for damage to property at 75 Tennyson street, West Roxbury, during street construction.

Arnold and Janice Silverman, for compensation for damage to property and injuries caused by city car.

Town Taxi, for compensation for damage to cab by city truck.

United States Post Office, for compensation for damage to letter box by snow removal equipment.

Francis M. Waters, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Police Department.

PETITIONS FOR ANNUITIES.

Petition of Agnes M. Bickford to be paid an annuity on account of the death of her husband, Leslie B. Bickford, late member of the Police Department.

Petition of Viola G. Dunlap to be paid an annuity on account of the death of her husband, Samuel A. Dunlap, late member of the Police Department.

Severally referred to the Committee on Claims.

WITHDRAWAL OF PETITION FOR ANNUITY.

A communication was received from Anna E. Feeny withdrawing without prejudice the petition filed by her on October 6, 1952, for annuity on account of the death of her husband, John J. Feeny, late member of the Police Department.

Referred to the Committee on Claims.

HEARINGS BEFORE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held on November 17 at 10 A.M. on rates and charges of New England Transportation Company.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held November 19 at 10 A.M. on petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority for exemption from zoning law for construction of garage at Day Square Station, East Boston.

Severally referred to the Committee on Licenses.

APPROVAL OF CONSTABLE'S BOND.

The constable's bond of William G. Peters, having been duly approved by the City Treasurer, was received and approved.

APPOINTMENT OF ARCHBISHOP RICHARD J. CUSHING AS LIBRARY TRUSTEE.

Notice was received from the Mayor of appointment of the Most Reverend Richard J. Cushing, D.D., Archbishop of Boston, as Trustee of Boston Public Library for term ending April 30, 1957, vice Monsignor Robert H. Lord, resigned.

Placed on file.

NOTICE OF INTEREST IN CONTRACT.

Notice was received from Daniel M. Driscoll, City Treasurer, of interest as president of Eighteen Oliver Street Company, Inc., in lease between said corporation and Public Buildings Department of City of Boston.

Placed on file.

INFORMATION ON RECLASSIFICATION OF EMPLOYEES.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the City Clerk,
October 29, 1952.

To the City Council,
Gentlemen:

The message of his Honor the Mayor dated October 27, 1952, concerning answers to questions relative to employees' names, addresses, salaries, job classifications, etc., was returned to his Honor the Mayor with a copy of the motion of Councillor Piemonte that the order of the City Council of October 20, 1952, be resubmitted to his Honor the Mayor for further answers to said order.

All of the above papers were returned to me by his Honor the Mayor without any further action having been taken thereon.

Very truly yours,
W. J. MALLORY, City Clerk.

Coun. WHITE in the chair.

On motion of Councillor Piemonte, the communication from the City Clerk and the message of the Mayor dated October 27, 1952, was referred to the Executive Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFIRMATIONS.

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

Report on appointment by the Mayor of Lawrence Wernick (referred October 27) as constable with authority to serve civil process upon filing of bond—recommending that appointment be confirmed.

Report on appointment by the Mayor of Henry S. Harmon and Sven T. Swenson (referred October 27) as weighers of goods—recommending that appointments be confirmed.

Report on appointment by the Mayor of Gerard A. Cassidy (referred October 27) as weigher of coal—recommending that appointment be confirmed.

The reports were severally accepted, and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councillors Joyce and Kerrigan. Whole number of ballots 6, yeas 6, and the appointments were confirmed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LICENSES.

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

Report on petition (referred August 25) of Eastern Massachusetts Street Railway Company for license to operate motor vehicles on East Boston streets to Day Square MTA station—recommending that license be granted.

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

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS.

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

Report on petition of George J. Tello (referred October 20) to be reimbursed as result of an execution issued against him on account of his acts as a member of the Police Department—recommending passage of the accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of two hundred fifteen dollars and sixty cents (\$215.60) be allowed and paid to George J. Tello 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 appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCE.

Coun. WARD, for the Committee on Appropriations and Finance, submitted the following:

1. Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred October 6) for appropriation of \$30,000 from income of George F. Parkman Fund to be expended under the direction of the Park Commissioners—recommending that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the question came on the passage of the order. The order was passed, yeas 7, nays 0:

Yeas—Councillors Ahearn, Foley, Hurley, Joyce, Kerrigan, Ward, White—7.

Nays—0.

Voting Present—Councillor Piemonte.

2. Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred today) for appropriation of \$25,000 from income of George F. Parkman Fund to be expended under the direction of the Park Commissioners—recommending that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the question came on the passage of the order. The order was passed, yeas 7, nays 1:

Yeas—Councillors Ahearn, Foley, Hurley, Joyce, Kerrigan, Ward, White—7.

Nays—Councillor Piemonte—1.

AMATEUR FOOTBALL GAME FOR NAZARETH FUND.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:

Ordered, That a license be hereby granted to use Fenway Park on the afternoon of Sunday, November 16, 1952, for an amateur football game between the East Boston Tornados and the Saunders Post, A.L., to the Nazareth Fund by Robert Cusick, 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. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

ACCEPTANCE OF GORDON AVENUE, HYDE PARK.

Coun. WARD offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, by his Honor the Mayor, to

accept and lay out Gordon avenue, Hyde Park, from No. 114 to end of street.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

RESURFACING OF GORDON AVENUE, HYDE PARK.

Coun. WARD offered the following:

Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, by his Honor the Mayor, to resurface Gordon avenue, Hyde Park, from 1307 River street northerly to 140 feet beyond Horton street.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

RECLASSIFICATION PLAN FOR COUNTY EMPLOYEES.

Coun. FOLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to direct the Budget Commissioner to forward to the City Council, with utmost dispatch, the amendment to the county plan and appropriation orders necessary to effect the program of reclassification of employees of Suffolk County so that the said plan may be examined and discussed by the City Council in time to allow the payment of current and retroactive pay increases before the holiday season.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

PHOTOSTATIC COPIES OF CERTAIN CITY AND COUNTY PAYROLLS.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor direct that photostatic copies be made of the payroll of the City of Boston and County of Suffolk employees as of April 2, 1952, and also of June 4, 1952, and that a copy be furnished to each of the City Councillors and to the Council; and be it further

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor direct that photostatic copies be made of the said payroll of the City of Boston and County of Suffolk for December 24, 1952.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

RECESS.

On motion of Councillor Hurley 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 Chairman WHITE at 4.32 P.M.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LICENSES.

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

Report on order (referred today) that license be granted to use Fenway Park on afternoon of Sunday, November 16, for amateur football game between the East Boston Tornados and the Saunders Post, A.L., to the Nazareth Fund by Robert Cusick—recommending that license be granted.

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

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

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

1. Report on message of the Mayor (referred today) re employees' right of appeal to Compensation Review Board—that same be placed on file.

The report was accepted, and the message was placed on file.

2. Report on message of the Mayor and orders (referred October 27) for transfer of appropriation of \$1,050,000 from Classification and Compensation Plan, Establishment of, to various city departments and the appropriation of \$107,000 to Printing, Public Works, and Collecting Departments as follows:

The Executive Committee wishes it known that the City Council by approval of the original appropriation by the Mayor for the necessary

funds and by approval of the transfer recommended by the Mayor of said funds, does not thereby approve the whole Classification and Compensation Plan, as now written, nor its application to any particular job or person.

However, the Executive Committee feels most strongly, first, that an adjustment in wages for municipal employees is in order at this time, and, secondly, that it is better to have this plan with all its defects than no plan at all, which seems to be the alternative.

It is not the function of the Council under the City Charter to make the necessary adjustments which are obviously needed, but only to approve the transfer of funds.

In conclusion, the Executive Committee calls attention to the fact that this whole matter has been before the Council for only fourteen days.

The Committee respectfully recommends that the transfer orders ought to pass.

Coun. PIEMONTE submitted a minority report as follows:

It is unfortunate that the Council's power in regard to the Reclassification Plan was limited solely to voting approval of the original appropriation and subsequent transfer of funds.

This Council had no authority to approve or disapprove the plan itself nor to alter specific sections such as job classifications or salary ratings.

I do not feel that ample opportunity has been given to any aggrieved employee by either the Civil Service Commission or the Mayor's Committee. Nor does the plan remove political patronage in the city government or guarantee promotion on merit and service as was hoped.

Faced with the alternative of showing my disapproval of the inequities of this plan by voting against approval of transfer of money necessary to pay those employees whose salaries were increased, I voted for the transfer, as I feel most strongly that an adequately paid city employee has his counterpart in private industry and in the final analysis reflects a savings to his employer and in this case to the taxpayer.

(Signed) GABRIEL F. PIEMONTE.

The report of the committee was accepted, and the orders were passed, yeas 8, nays 0:

Yeas—Councillors Ahearn, Foley, Hurley, Joyce, Kerrigan, Piemonte, Ward, White—8.

Nays—0.

TRAFFIC SIGNALS AT BLUE HILL AVENUE, RIVER STREET AND CUMMINS HIGHWAY.

Coun. JOYCE offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install an automatic traffic signal at the intersection of Blue Hill avenue, River street, and Cummins Highway, in Mattapan square.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF ROBERT N. LAUFER.

Coun. JOYCE 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 Blue Hill avenue and Mattapan street, Mattapan, in honor of Robert N. Lauffer, who lost his life on February 8, 1945, in Belgium, while in the service of his country.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF ABRAHAM MELINSKY.

Coun. FOLEY 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 Vernon and Downing streets, Roxbury, in honor of Abraham Melinsky, who lost his life while in the service of his country on January 3, 1945, at Luxemburg, Germany.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

REPRESENTATIVE OF ORGANIZED LABOR ON COMPENSATION REVIEW BOARD, ETC.

Coun. FOLEY, WHITE, and AHEARN offered the following:

Whereas, The establishment of an adequate Compensation Review Board is an integral part of the employee reclassification system; and

Whereas, It appears to the Boston City Council that the procedure to be followed by the Compensation Review Board will necessarily be somewhat complex; and

Whereas, The substantive questions and, correspondingly, the evidence to be considered by the Compensation Review Board are technical in nature and not widely understood by municipal employees; and

Whereas, The equities of the problem would appear to demand it; be it therefore

Resolved, That a representative of organized labor be appointed to the proposed Compensation Review Board; and be it further

Resolved, That an Assistant Corporation Counsel be assigned temporarily the task of advising individual employees as to procedural and substantive questions involved in proceedings of the Board.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

Adjourned at 5.50 P.M., on motion of Councillor Hurley, to meet on Monday, November 17, 1952, 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 17, 1952.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President PIEMONTE in the chair. Absent, Councillor Ward.

Rabbi Joseph S. Shubow of Temple Bnai Moshé, Brighton, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY RABBI JOSEPH S. SHUBOW.

Our Father who art in heaven, in a spirit of reverence and awe, we appear before Thy throne of justice to give thanks unto Thee for the years of life and service that Thou hast granted unto us, and for the privilege of having attended this day in our service to our city and to our fellow citizens. At this gathering of the responsible Council of leaders of our illustrious city, we ask Thy blessing upon our neighbors, friends and achievements, in behalf of the cities of our historical community and of the inhabitants of this great, intellectual and mercantile emporium. We ask for a measure of Thy wisdom and courage ever to guide the counsels of our community in behalf of the common weal of all its citizens and inhabitants. Make our councillors ever realize as King David proclaimed that he that worketh righteousness shall never be moved, and may they ever be led in the ways of righteousness and justice, and even as the wisest of kings, King Solomon, said, "The counsel of the Lord standeth," may they ever take sweet counsel together in accordance with Thy holy writs. May their decisions ever be as the prophet Isaiah urged, "wonderful in counsel." We ask Thy blessings upon the consecrated Mayor of our great city and upon the dedicated associates and co-workers, the councillors. Bless them all and their families so that they may ever rejoice in the service of Heaven and of our community. May our city ever be known, as we say in the old holy Hebrew, "Malkuth shamayim."

Even as St. Augustine translated it, "Civitas Dei," a city of God, where justice, righteousness, and mercy shall ever hold sway over the hearts of men. Amen.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

TRAFFIC SIGNAL AT BLUE HILL AVENUE, RIVER STREET, AND CUMMINS HIGHWAY.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, November 17, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of the Boston Traffic Commission relative to your order of November 10, 1952, requesting the installation of an automatic traffic signal at the intersection of Blue Hill avenue, River street, and Cummins Highway, in Mattapan square.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
November 14, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

With reference to City Council order of November 10, 1952, requesting the installation of an automatic traffic signal at the intersection of Blue Hill avenue, River street, and Cummins Highway, in Mattapan square, our engineers report that traffic lights would not operate efficiently at this location.

The present physical layout of this intersection is such that it would not be possible to obtain proper signal locations.

Unusual fluctuations in both direction and volume of traffic mitigate against any fixed signal periods. The complicated turning movements, especially the streetcar movements both between Blue Hill avenue and Cummins Highway and Mattapan Square station provide another obstacle to efficient signal operation.

Police officer control, as now conducted, is the best method of handling traffic until such time as major physical changes take place in Mattapan square. A police officer can accommodate the weight of traffic from various directions as required and I am sure that the petitioners for signal lights would be disappointed in the increased congestion and inconveniences which would result were traffic lights installed in Mattapan square at the present time.

Respectfully yours,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.
Placed on file.

COUNTY CLASSIFICATION PLAN.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, November 17, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

There is transmitted herewith for consideration by your Honorable Body a self-explanatory communication received by me this day from the Budget Commissioner, together with a suitable order to carry out the recommendations contained in the Budget Commissioner's communication.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Budget Department, November 17, 1952.
To the Mayor and City Council.
Gentlemen:

By the Rules for the Administration of the Classification and Compensation Plans for the Officers and Employees of Suffolk County, the Budget Commissioner is authorized to propose changes and revisions in those plans. Any changes and revisions shall be submitted to the City Council and shall become effective upon approval by the City Council subject to the provisions of the City Charter.

Under the aforesaid authority, there is submitted herewith an order repealing the present Classification and Compensation Plans for the Officers and Employees of Suffolk County substituting in their place revised plans as set forth in the accompanying Schedules A, B, and C. This revision of the present County Plans is deemed necessary in order that the Compensation Plan being established for the employees of the City of Boston may be applied as nearly as it is practicable to the officers and employees of Suffolk County.

The changes in the Classification Plan are limited in scope; for the titles of the offices and positions in the new plan are the same as under the existing County Classification Plan except in certain cases where the State Director of Civil Service has established a new title and in certain other cases, which are listed under Rule 2 in Schedule A, where a word or two has been added to make the title more descriptive of the position.

Respectfully,
JOHN A. SULLIVAN,
Budget Commissioner.

Ordered, That the Classification and Compensation Plans for the Officers and Employees of Suffolk County, established by order passed by the City Council on April 13, 1931, and approved by the Mayor on April 15, 1931, be, and the same hereby are, repealed; and that in place thereof there be, and there hereby are, adopted, effective as of April 1, 1952, in the case of officers and employees of Suffolk County paid monthly or semi-monthly, and as of April 2, 1952, in the case of weekly paid officers and employees of Suffolk County, the Classification and Compensation Plans annexed hereto.

(Appended to the communication were the list of offices and positions, pay schedules, and rules for administration.)

Referred to the Executive Committee and ordered printed as a City Document.

APPROPRIATION FOR OFF-STREET PARKING FACILITIES IN BRIGHTON.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, November 14, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

On February 25, I submitted to your Honorable Body an order transferring \$450,000 from the special parking meter account to the Board of Real Estate Commissioners, said sum to be utilized for the development of a series of off-street parking areas in local shopping centers. On August 4, your Body passed an order appropriating \$75,000 for the specific purpose of constructing a parking area in the Roslindale section.

Since August 4, there has been pending before your Body an order for the appropriation of \$375,000 for parking spaces. In order that some action might be taken by your Body, I send you herewith a communication from the Chairman of the Board of Real Estate Commissioners requesting that \$60,000 be allowed for the purpose of creating an off-street parking facility in Brighton Center. This area has been selected as one of the primary areas requiring parking facilities.

Approval of the amount requested for this site will permit rapid conversion of the site to the purpose desired. No buildings need be removed.

I wish to emphasize that it is imperative that the city provide, in local shopping areas, parking facilities. In this way, we stay the process of decentralization, and preserve the property values. Therefore, I most respectfully request that your Honorable Body give the accompanying order prompt approval. It is my purpose to send to your Body, from time to time, other orders which will call for specific appropriations for specific districts. If further information is desired in the present case, it will be furnished to your Body by the Chairman of the Board of Real Estate Commissioners.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Real Estate Commission,
November 12, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

By a vote of the Board of Real Estate Commissioners, dated October 9, 1952, I have been instructed to proceed with the creation of off-street parking facilities in Brighton Center, as soon as funds are available. I therefore request that \$60,000 be transferred from the Parking Meter Fund to the Board of Real Estate Commissioners for such purpose.

In the determination that Brighton Center required off-street parking, an engineer of the City Planning Board was assigned to make the study for this department.

The Planning Board "General Plan for Boston" in its discussion on local shopping areas has differentiated between the various types of shopping facilities, classifying them as major, secondary or scattered. It has selected Brighton Center as one of the major types.

The shopping area in Brighton is formed around the intersection of Washington street, Market street, and Chestnut Hill avenue. The Planning Board engineer selected three parking lot sites in this area, two of which are very well located.

Site No. 1, so called, is located in the rear of the stores on the northwest corner of the intersection. Not only is the location a good one, but the lot is at present vacant land, and since its entrance would be on a side street off Washington street, it would not present difficult circulation problems on the nearby streets. It is located on Leicester street, between Nos. 7 and 25, and has a 124-foot frontage, by 172 feet deep.

Site No. 1.

Area (square feet).....	17,426
Capacity (cars).....	47
Assessed valuation.....	\$10,000
Probable cost of land.....	12,500
Cost of improvement.....	12,000

Probable total cost..... \$24,500

Concerning Site No. 1, according to the Planning Board's figures, the initial cost would be amortized in about eleven years.

Site No. 2 is in back of the stores on the north-east corner of the intersection. This site is made up of three lots, but it is our present intention to utilize only two of the three, since these two consist of vacant land; whereas, the third lot would require the demolition of five dwelling houses, which we are attempting to avoid. (If the area which we plan to take is insufficient to meet the demands, then it will be necessary to expand at a future date by taking the five dwellings, which consist of very low valued property.) The land here is fairly level, so improvement costs should not be too high.

For the sake of clarification, in accordance with our drawings, we shall refer to the proposed lots as "Site No. 2—Area One" and "Site No. 2—Area Three."

Site No. 2—Area No. 3 has a frontage on Market street, between Nos. 396 and 408. The aforementioned addresses not being included in the proposed takings.

Site No. 2—Area No. 3.

Area (square feet).....	13,045
Capacity (cars).....	37
Assessed valuation.....	\$15,000
Cost of land (approximate).....	18,800
Cost of improvement.....	8,500

Total..... \$27,300

Site No. 2—Area No. 1, directly to the rear of the stores, facing the corner of Washington and Market streets, is practically land-locked, but is contiguous to Area No. 3, and eventually would be the connecting link between Areas No. 2 and No. 3; Area No. 2 fronting on Waldo terrace. It is not our intention to take all the vacant land to the rear of the stores, in order to facilitate the delivery of merchandise to the rear entrance of the stores. Although the entire Area No. 1 consists of 15,376 square feet, it is our intention to take only an area of approximately 6,300 square feet.

Site No. 2—Area No. 1.

Area (square feet).....	6,300
Capacity (cars).....	18
Assessed value (approximate).....	\$3,150
Cost of land.....	3,150
Cost of improvement.....	4,150

Total..... \$7,300

The Planning Board estimates that the cost of Site No. 2 would be amortized in approximately 15 years.

These sites having been selected as the best available by the Planning Board, have also been approved by the Traffic Commissioner, William Arthur Reilly, and Chief Traffic Engineer for the city, Philip Desmond, who have stated that both these areas are essential and well located.

I feel that \$60,000 properly spent for off-street parking in the Brighton Center area would in great measure prevent a further decentralization of the business in that district by solving the almost insurmountable traffic hazard which presently exists.

In giving the above estimates, I have used the figures provided by the Planning Board, since we do not have sufficient funds for detailed appraisals, title checks, or engineering plans and cost schedules.

Respectfully submitted,
HERMAN CARP, Chairman.

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 22B of chapter 40 of the General Laws as established by chapter 776 of the Acts of 1949, the sum of sixty thousand dollars be, and hereby is, appropriated from the special account "Parking Meter Fees" to be expended by the Board of Real Estate Commissioners for acquiring off-street parking areas and facilities and constructing or reconstructing and resurfacing such areas and facilities in the Brighton district.

On motion of Councillor Ahearn the order was referred to the Executive Committee.

INFORMATION ON ROSLINDALE OFF-STREET PARKING FACILITY.

The following was received:
 City of Boston,
 Office of the Mayor, November 14, 1952.

To the City Council,
 Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Chairman of the Board of Real Estate Commissioners relative to your order of July 17, 1952, concerning the request for information of the Roslindale off-street parking facility.

Respectfully,
 J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
 Real Estate Commission,
 November 12, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
 Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

Attached hereto is information concerning the Roslindale off-street parking facility, sought by the City Council, in their order adopted on July 17, 1952.

In order to obtain the required information, it was necessary to await an appropriation of funds so that the Law Department could order the checking of the titles of the various parcels.

Respectfully,
 HERMAN CARP, Chairman.

Answer to Question No. 1.

Metes and Bounds, Roslindale Square, Re Suburban Off-street Parking.

Southeasterly by Taft Hill terrace, 262.03 feet; southwesterly by South street, 32.14 feet; northwesterly by land of Miriam Stone, 56 feet; southwesterly by land of said Stone, 3 feet; northwesterly by land of said Stone, 30.56 feet; southwesterly by land of said Stone, 18.46 feet; northwesterly by land of Harry Wasser, 13.99 feet; southwesterly by land of said Wasser, 45 feet; southeasterly by land of said Wasser, 42.5 feet; southwesterly by List place and land of Abram Pofeher, 84.94 feet; northwesterly by a 16-foot passageway, and land of George M. Porter, *et al.*, and land of Ralph C. Pilblad, *et al.*, 159.34 feet; northerly by land of Ralph C. Pilblad, *et al.*, and land of Pauline K. F. Imbescheid, 44.03 feet; northeasterly by Taft Hill terrace, 30.51 feet; northerly by Taft Hill terrae, 38.63 feet; northeasterly by Taft Hill terrace, 116.25 feet, containing 41,461 square feet, more or less. There is appurtenant thereto, a right of way over 775 square feet of List place and over 1,858 square feet of a 16-foot passageway from the facility to South street.

Answers to Question No. 2.

1. Description by Metes and Bounds.
2. Title owners of each parcel.

Answer to Question No. 4.

To Whom It May Concern:

The records of the Assessing Department show the following valuation and ownership of the property listed below, as of January 1st for the years indicated below:

Year.	Location.	Owner.	Area (Feet).	Land.	Building.	Total.
1952	731-731A South Street	Isabella Bohman	3,455	\$7,000	\$9,000	\$16,000
1951	731-731A South Street	Isabella Bohman	3,455	7,000	9,000	16,000
1950	731-731A South Street	Isabella Bohman	3,455	7,000	7,000	14,000
1949	731-731A South Street	Isabella Bohman	3,455	7,000	7,000	14,000
1948	731-731A South Street	Isabella Bohman	3,455	7,000	7,000	14,000
1947	731-731A South Street	Isabella Bohman	3,455	7,000	7,000	14,000
1946	731-731A South Street	Isabella Bohman	3,530	5,300	3,700	9,000
1945	731-731A South Street	Isabella Bohman	3,530	5,300	6,700	12,000
1944	731-731A South Street	Isabella Bohman	3,530	5,300	6,700	12,000
1943	731-731A South Street	Isabella Bohman	3,530	5,300	6,700	12,000

Parcel 1 (731 and 731A South Street) (3,455 Square Feet).

Owner, Isabella Bohman (mailing address, 733 South street, Roslindale).

Parcel 2 (6 Taft Hill Terrace, Stable) (11,785 Square Feet).

Owner, Charles A. Singer and Pauline Singer (mailing address, 37 Bexley road, Roslindale).

Parcel 3 (10 Taft Hill Terrace) (10,076 Square Feet).

Owner, Nicola Bevilacqua (mailing address, 10 Taft Hill terrace).
 Mortgagee, Roslindale Co-operative Bank.

Parcel 4 (20 List Place).

Owner, Pauline K. F. Imbescheid (mailing address, 20 List place).

Parcel 5 (5 List Place) (15,865 Square Feet).

Owner, Philip E. Pofeher and Dorothy Pofeher (mailing address, 749 South street).
 Mortgagee, Orazio Pasquantonio.

Parcel 6 (An Easement Only) (Right of Way).

Owner, Abram Pofeher (mailing address, 749A South street).

Parcel 7 (An Easement Only).

Owner, Person or persons Unknown.

3. Chain of title of each parcel of land and buildings comprising the lot during the last ten years. (Attached hereto.)

4. Assessed valuation of all parcels of land and buildings comprising the lot during each of the last ten years. (Attached hereto.)

5. The record of occupancy of all land and buildings on the area to be developed with particularity over the past two years. (Attached hereto.) (We have only the present occupants.)

Answer to Question No. 3.

Parcel 1.—Present owner, Isabella Bohman, 733 South street, Roslindale. Registered certificate of title dated April 12, 1948. Prior owners, Caroline F. Seaverns to Carl B. Mankovitz and Annie H. Mankovitz. Deed dated April 1, 1919.

Parcel 2.—Present owner, Charles A. Singer and Pauline Singer, 6 Taft Hill terrace. Acquired from deed of Harold M. Rand, June 27, 1946. Prior owner, Anna M. Proctor to Rand, April 25, 1940.

Parcel 3.—Present owner, Nicola Bevilacqua, 10 Taft Hill terrace, Roslindale.

Parcel 4.—Present owner, Pauline K. F. Imbescheid. Acquired property by deed from William List, dated December 2, 1919.

Parcel 5.—Present owner, Phillip E. Pofeher and Dorothy Pofeher. Acquired title by deed to Orazio Pasquantonio *et al.*, dated November 24, 1951. Orazio Pasquantonio *et al.* acquired title through the estate of Liberata Monaco who died October 25, 1937.

City of Boston,
 Board of Assessors, October 23, 1952.

Jeremiah A. Coakley, Chief Clerk.

I hereby certify that Jeremiah A. Coakley is the Chief Clerk in the Assessing Department of the City of Boston and that the foregoing signature is his signature.

J. M. Dunlea, Assistant City Clerk.

City of Boston,
Board of Assessors, October 23, 1952.

To Whom It May Concern:

The records of the Assessing Department show the following valuation and ownership of the property listed below, as of January 1st for the years indicated below:

Year.	Location.	Owner.	Area (Feet).	Land.	Building.	Total.
1952	10 Taft Hill Terrace	Nicola Bevilacqua.....	10,800	\$2,700	\$1,100	\$3,800
1951	10 Taft Hill Terrace	Nicola Bevilacqua.....	10,800	2,700	1,100	3,800
1950	10 Taft Hill Terrace	Julia Bevilacqua.....	10,800	2,700	1,100	3,800
1949	10 Taft Hill Terrace	Julia Bevilacqua.....	10,800	2,700	1,100	3,800
1948	10 Taft Hill Terrace	Julia Bevilacqua.....	10,800	2,700	1,100	3,800
1947	10 Taft Hill Terrace	Julia Bevilacqua.....	10,800	2,700	1,100	3,800
1946	10 Taft Hill Terrace	Julia Bevilacqua.....	10,800	2,700	1,100	3,800
1945	10 Taft Hill Terrace	Julia Bevilacqua.....	10,800	2,700	1,100	3,800
1944	10 Taft Hill Terrace	Julia Bevilacqua.....	10,800	2,700	1,100	3,800
1943	10 Taft Hill Terrace	Julia Bevilacqua.....	10,800	2,700	1,100	3,800

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J. M. DUNLEA, Assistant City Clerk.

City of Boston,
Board of Assessors, October 23, 1952.

To Whom It May Concern:

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Year.	Location.	Owner.	Area (Feet).	Land.	Building.	Total.
1952	20 List Place	Pauline F. Imbeschied.....	9,400	\$1,000	\$2,000	\$3,000
1951	20 List Place	Pauline F. Imbeschied.....	9,400	1,400	1,600	3,000
1950	20 List Place	Pauline F. Imbeschied.....	9,400	1,400	1,600	3,000
1949	20 List Place	Pauline F. Imbeschied.....	9,400	1,400	1,600	3,000
1948	20 List Place	Pauline F. Imbeschied.....	9,400	1,400	1,600	3,000
1947	20 List Place	Pauline F. Imbeschied.....	9,400	1,400	1,600	3,000
1946	20 List Place	Pauline F. Imbeschied.....	9,400	1,400	1,600	3,000
1945	20 List Place	Pauline F. Imbeschied.....	9,400	1,400	1,600	3,000
1944	20 List Place	Pauline F. Imbeschied.....	9,400	1,400	1,600	3,000
1943	20 List Place	Pauline F. Imbeschied.....	9,400	1,400	1,600	3,000

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City of Boston,
Board of Assessors, October 23, 1952.

To Whom It May Concern:

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Year.	Location.	Owner.	Area (Feet).	Land.	Building.	Total.
1952	5 List Place	Guarino Pasquantonio.....	16,000	\$1,400	\$2,000	\$3,400
1951	5 List Place	Girasino Pasquantinio.....	16,000	2,400	2,000	4,400
1950	5 List Place	Girasino Pasquantinio.....	16,000	2,400	2,000	4,400
1949	5 List Place	Girasino Pasquantinio.....	16,000	2,400	2,000	4,400
1948	5 List Place	Girasino Pasquantinio.....	16,000	2,400	2,000	4,400
1947	5 List Place	Girasino Pasquantinio.....	16,000	2,400	2,000	4,400
1946	5 List Place	Girasino Pasquantinio.....	16,000	2,400	2,000	4,400
1945	5 List Place	Girasino Pasquantinio.....	16,000	2,400	2,000	4,400
1944	5 List Place	Guarino Pasquantonio.....	16,000	2,400	2,200	4,400
1943	5 List Place	John and Liberata Monaco.....	16,000	2,400	2,200	4,400

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J. M. DUNLEA, Assistant City Clerk.

City of Boston,
Board of Assessors, October 23, 1952.

To Whom It May Concern:

The records of the Assessing Department show the following valuation and ownership of the property listed below, as of January 1st for the years indicated below:

Year.	Location.	Owner.	Area (Feet).	Land.	Building.	Total.
1952	6 Taft Hill Terrace	Charles A. and Pauline Singer... ..	11,460	\$4,400	\$600	\$5,000
1951	6 Taft Hill Terrace	Charles A. and Pauline Singer... ..	11,460	4,400	600	5,000
1950	6 Taft Hill Terrace	Charles A. and Pauline Singer... ..	11,460	4,400	600	5,000
1949	6 Taft Hill Terrace	Charles A. and Pauline Singer... ..	11,460	2,900	2,100	5,000
1948	6 Taft Hill Terrace	Charles A. and Pauline Singer... ..	11,460	2,900	2,100	5,000
1947	6 Taft Hill Terrace	Charles A. and Pauline Singer... ..	11,460	2,900	2,100	5,000
1946	6 Taft Hill Terrace	Harold M. Rand.....	11,460	2,900	2,100	5,000
1945	6 Taft Hill Terrace	Harold M. Rand.....	11,460	2,900	2,100	5,000
1944	6 Taft Hill Terrace	Harold M. Rand.....	11,460	2,900	2,100	5,000
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Answer to Question No. 5.

Present tenants:

- 729 South street, Lee's Army and Navy Store.
 - 731 South street, Fortunato Verro (shoe repair shop).
 - 733 South street, Rosalie Mahler (rooming house).
 - 6 Taffhill terrace, Fred D. Rand Company.
 - 14 Taffhill terrace, Mario Bevilacqua, Dominic F. Calliolo.
 - 5 List place, Carl Elledge, Cecilia Hynes.
- Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Finance.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

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

Claims.

- Peter Burke, for son, Thomas Burke, for compensation for injuries and damage to bicycle caused by car of Fire Department.
- Frank Centolo, for compensation for accident which occurred caused by an alleged defect in Paris street, East Boston.
- Thomasina DiPetro, for compensation for damage to property at 118 Havre street, East Boston, caused by opening of water main.
- Arthur E. Hatch, to be reimbursed for work done on property at 24 Seaverns avenue, Jamaica Plain, caused by leak in water pipe.
- Mary K. Leary, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 49 Quint avenue, Allston.
- Celia Levin, for compensation for damage to property at 93 Nightingale street, Dorchester, during construction of sidewalk.
- Alexander MacKinnon, for compensation for damage to property at 255 Willow street, West Roxbury, during construction of sidewalk.
- John F. McGrail, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him on account of his acts as employee of Bridge and Ferry Division.
- Daniel H. McLaughlin, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Sanitary Division.
- Mary McManus, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Tremont street.
- Bruno Ragagnin, for compensation for damage to property at 21 East Cottage street, caused by falling tree.

HEARING BEFORE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held November 26, at 10 A.M., on petition of the Eastern Massachusetts Street Railway Company for license to operate motor vehicles on certain East Boston streets to Day Square MTA station.

Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

APPROVAL OF CONSTABLE'S BOND.

The constable's bond of Lawrence Wernick, having been duly approved by the City Treasurer, was received and approved.

APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR.

Notice was received from the Mayor of appointment of Joseph K. Collins, 23 Emmonsdale road, West Roxbury, to be member of Board of Overseers of Public Welfare for term ending April 30, 1953, vice Henry E. Foley, resigned.

Placed on file.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ORDINANCES.

Coun. AHEARN, for the Committee on Ordinances, submitted the following:

Report on order (referred August 4) re acceptance of chapter 500 of Acts of 1952 authorizing City of Boston to compensate Laurence H. Banks for certain expenses incurred by him in establishing his

right to be declared a duly elected member of the City Council—recommending that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the order was passed.

CITY OF BOSTON CLASSIFICATION AND COMPENSATION PLAN.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:

Ordered, That the City Clerk be authorized to have printed as a City Document the Classification and Compensation Plan for positions in the service of the City of Boston, including the Alphabetical List of Positions, the Pay Schedule, and the Rules for Administration; the expense of same to be charged to the appropriation for City Documents.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

Coun. WHITE in the chair.

INFORMATION RE ROSLINDALE OFF-STREET PARKING FACILITY.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:

Whereas, On August 4, 1952, the Boston City Council adopted an order appropriating \$75,000 for the purpose of off-street parking in Roslindale; it is hereby

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request the Real Estate Board to advise the Council as to the present progress of the parking area, when it is expected to be completed, how many cars it will accommodate, and an account of the complete cost of this project, itemizing the same if possible.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

DETAILED INFORMATION ON OFF-STREET PARKING AREAS.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:

Whereas, The Boston City Council has before it an order appropriating \$375,000 for off-street parking areas; it is hereby

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request the Real Estate Board to advise the Council as to the order in which the off-street parking areas will be prepared following passage of said order, the order in which said areas will be built, the estimated amount to be expended, the number of cars each of the parking areas will accommodate, and the cost of each such area.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

LIST OF OUTSTANDING GASOLINE LICENSES.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Street Commissioners be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to prepare a list of all outstanding pocket gasoline licenses in the City of Boston, stating the person to whom the license was issued, the date of such issuance, the terms of said license, and the location of said licensed premises, and that said list be furnished to the City Council.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

HEARINGS ON GASOLINE PERMITS.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:

Whereas, Under the existing statutes no provision is made for the recording of gasoline permits for cities and towns; and

Whereas, Any said license issued at present runs with the land; and

Whereas, Such a license may serve as an encumbrance to adjacent properties; and

Whereas, Under the present laws the prospective purchasers of property have no method of ascertaining when a pocket license has been issued and is therefore outstanding; and

Whereas, The great General Court has approved chapter 329 of the Acts of 1951, which reads as follows:

"The first paragraph of section 13 of chapter 148 of the General Laws, as most recently amended by section 27 of chapter 550 of the acts of 1948, is

hereby further amended by adding at the end the following sentence: Any such license granted hereunder shall be subject to such conditions and restrictions as may be prescribed in the license by the local licensing authority, which may include a condition that the license be exercised to such extent and within such period as may be fixed by such authority."

Now, therefore, be it

Ordered, That the Committee on Ordinances of the Boston City Council be requested to hold hearings with the public and more especially to invite the Board of Street Commissioners to determine the advisability of placing conditions and restrictions as to time limit on all licenses or permits issued in the future; and be it further

Ordered, That said committee study and make recommendations relative to the advisability of informing the public of outstanding permits, and the issuance of permits in the future, such as the advisability of the same by publishing the same in the newspapers of the City of Boston periodically.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

REPORT OF RESULTS OF SAILING PROGRAMS.

Coun. FOLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to direct the Board of Recreation and the Park Department:

1. To prepare and forward to the City Council a report evaluating the recreational results and future possibilities of the sailing program at Jamaica Pond.

2. To prepare and forward to the City Council an outline of a program similar to that of Jamaica Pond for the Bayswater section of East Boston and the Pleasure Bay section of South Boston, stating whether such expansion can be carried out with the facilities now available, its opinion of the desirability of such a program, and the estimated expense involved; and be it further

Ordered, That this information be made available to the City Council prior to December 15 in anticipation of the preparation of the budgetary requirements for 1953.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

RECESS.

On motion of Councillor Hurley, the Council voted at 2.59 P.M. to take a recess subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled and were called to order by President PIEMONTE at 4.50 P.M.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS.

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

Report on petition of John N. Jenkins (referred November 10) to be indemnified as a result of an execution issued against him on account of his acts as an employee of the Sewer Division, Public Works Department—recommending passage of the accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of two thousand nine hundred dollars (\$2,900) be allowed and paid to John N. Jenkins in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as an employee of the Sewer Division, Public Works Department, said sum to be charged to the appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

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

1. Report on message of the Mayor and two orders (referred October 20) for transfer of \$270 from Public Works Department, Central Office, Contractual Services, to Automotive Division, 3, Supplies and Materials, and transfer of \$22,250 to Public Works Department, Automotive Division, from Ferry Service, 1, Personal Services, \$2,250, 2, Contractual Services, \$20,000—recommending reference of the orders to the Committee on Appropriations and Finance.

The report was accepted, and said reference ordered.

2. Report on notice from the Health Department (referred October 20) of appointment of Dr. Augustine W. McGarry as Director of the Section of Local Health Services—that same be placed on file.

The report was accepted, and the notice was placed on file.

3. Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred October 20) for transfer from Public Works Department, Sanitary Division, Personal Services, of \$41,400 to Paving Service, Supplies and Materials—that no further action is necessary.

The report was accepted.

4. Report on message of the Mayor (referred October 27) withdrawing order of October 20, 1952, for transfer of \$41,400 from Public Works Department, Sanitary Division to Paving Division—that same be placed on file.

The report was accepted, and the message was placed on file.

5. Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred today) appropriating \$60,000 from special account "Parking Meter Fees" to be expended by the Board of Real Estate Commissioners for acquiring off-street parking areas and facilities and constructing or reconstructing and resurfacing such areas and facilities in the Brighton district—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted. The question came on giving the order its first reading. The order was rejected (six votes being required for passage), yeas 5, nays 0.

Yeas—Councillors Ahearn, Hailer, Hurley, Kerrigan, White—5.

Nays—0.

Voting Present—Councillors Foley, Joyce, Piemonte—3.

On motion of Councillor White the foregoing vote was reconsidered.

Coun. AHEARN in the chair.

On motion of Councillor Joyce the order was referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Finance.

6. Partial report on message of the Mayor and order re Classification and Compensation Plan for the Officers and Employees of Suffolk County—recommending passage of the following order:

Ordered, That the President be requested to call a special meeting of the City Council for Friday, November 21, 1952, at 1 P.M., to take action on the County Classification and Compensation Plan, with a recess to be called in order that any employee wishing to be heard can attend; and with notices of said hearing to be posted throughout the Suffolk County Court House.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

PUBLIC HEARING RE OFF-STREET PARKING FACILITIES IN BRIGHTON.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:

Ordered, That the Committee on Appropriations and Finance hold a public hearing at the Council Chamber on Thursday, November 20, at 10 A.M., on the order of his Honor the Mayor, dated November 14, 1952, relative to the transfer of \$60,000 from the parking meter fund to the Board of Real Estate Commissioners for off-street parking facilities in Brighton Center; and be it further

Ordered, That the Clerk of the City of Boston notify the Boston Chamber of Commerce, the local chambers of commerce, such as Hyde Park, Roslindale, Brighton, East Boston, Dorchester, South Boston, Charlestown, Roxbury, and Jamaica Plain, of said meeting and invite their representatives to attend said hearing, as well as the Real Estate Commissioner, the Boston Real Estate Board, the Massachusetts Taxpayers Association, the Municipal Research Bureau, the Finance Commission, the Retail Board of Trade, and the public to be present to discuss the proposed transfer of \$60,000 for the Brighton off-street parking area and the off-street parking program for Boston in general.

The order was passed, yeas 8, nays 0:

Yeas—Councillors Ahearn, Foley, Hailer, Hurley, Joyce, Kerrigan, Piemonte, White—8.

Nays—0.

PUBLIC HEARING IN BRIGHTON RE
OFF-STREET PARKING FACILITIES
IN BRIGHTON.

Coun. FOLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That a public hearing of the Appropriations and Finance Committee of the Boston City Council be held in a public hall in the Brighton district of Boston on some evening this week to be determined by the committee for the purpose of discussing the plan for off-street parking in Brighton.

Coun. WHITE in the chair.

The order was passed under suspension of the rules.

ALLOCATION OF OFF-STREET PARKING
FACILITIES.

Coun. FOLEY offered the following:

Whereas, The Boston City Council has given a great amount of time and study to the problem of municipally financed off-street parking; and

Whereas, Resources available for off-street parking are apparently less than adequate for complete provision of facilities in all sections of the city where such facilities are needed; and

Whereas, The present approach of the Board of Real Estate Commissioners to the problem seems to be on a piecemeal rather than over-all basis; and

Whereas, All sections of the City of Boston are entitled to equal consideration, be it therefore

Resolved, That a public meeting be held by the Appropriations Committee of the Boston City Council; that at such meeting his Honor the Mayor direct the attendance of the Planning Board, the Board of Real Estate Commissioners and such other agencies of the City of Boston concerned with off-street parking; that all commercial interests in the City of Boston desiring off-street parking facilities be notified and invited to appear and state their case; that all other interested parties be invited to appear as well; that at such time the over-all policy of allocation of off-street parking facilities be at that time explained and clarified by responsible city officials.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

Adjourned at 5.42 P.M., on motion of Councillor Joyce.

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, November 21, 1952.

Special meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at one o'clock P.M., President PIEMONTE in the chair. Absent, Councillor Ward.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

The meeting was held pursuant to the following call:

City Council,
Office of the President,
November 18, 1952.

To the Members of the City Council Acting as
County Commissioners.

Gentlemen:

You are hereby requested to assemble in the City Council Chamber, City Hall, on Friday,

November 21, 1952, at one o'clock P.M., for the purpose of considering an order for the Classification and Compensation Plans for the Officers and Employees of Suffolk County.

Respectfully,
GABRIEL F. PIEMONTE, President.

Placed on file.

RECESS.

On motion of Councillor White the Council voted to take a recess at 1.35 P.M., subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled and were called to order by President PIEMONTE at 5 P.M.

The roll was called with the following result:

Present—Councillors Ahearn, Foley, Hailer, Hurley, Joyce, Kerrigan, Piemonte, White—8.

Adjourned at 5.03 P.M., on motion of Councillor Ahearn, to meet on Monday, November 24, 1952, 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 24, 1952.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President PIEMONTE in the chair and all the members present.

The Reverend Robert G. Metters, Rector of Emmanuel Church, 15 Newbury street, Boston, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY REV. ROBERT G. METTERS.

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost. Amen. O God of all power and might, the Maker and Ruler of men, we commend our city to the guidance of Thy wisdom, to the keeping of Thy love. May the officers whom Thy people have chosen to serve them, serve Thee in bonesty of purpose and uprightness of life. May they never forget their answerableness to the people whom they serve and to Thee. Deliver them from the love of power and from motives of personal gain; from considerations of men or money in place of the demands of truth and justice; and from losing patriotism in partisanship. Bless them in their various offices with an ever larger vision of truth, an ever deeper sense of the demands of righteousness; that through their faithfulness the life of our people may be guided by wise policies, and lifted to higher ideals and nobler achievements, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

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:

Constables, with authority to serve civil process upon filing of bond, for term ending April 30, 1953: Baron H. Martin, 14 Wabon street, Roxbury; Samuel Abramam Schneider, 235 Humboldt avenue, Roxbury; Norman L. Munson, 17 Cumberland street, Boston.

Weighers of Coal, for term ending April 30, 1953: William A. Barber, 115 Beacon street, Boston; Stephen C. O'Brien, 46 Rogers avenue, Somerville.

Severally referred to the Committee on Confirmations.

WITHDRAWAL OF ORDER FOR SALE OF LAND ON FREEPORT STREET.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, November 24, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I hereby withdraw the order pending before your Honorable Body for the sale of a small parcel of city-owned land in the vicinity of Freeport street in Dorchester.

Since this order was presented, it has come to my attention that ownership of other land adjacent to the piece of land at issue might possibly come into the hands of the purchasers at no additional expense.

In order that the exact status of the land in question may be legally known, I am going to request the Law Department to make a determination as to the precise status of the land. If, and when, the sale of this land is again presented to your Body, all of the pertinent data relative to such land will be forwarded.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

RESURFACING OF GORDON AVENUE,
HYDE PARK.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, November 17, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of the Public Works Department relative to your order of November 10, 1952, requesting to resurface Gordon avenue, Hyde Park, from 1307 River street northerly to 140 feet beyond Horton street.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,

Public Works Department,

November 14, 1952.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,

Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Mr. Shannon:

This is in reference to the following order that was passed in the City Council under date of November 10:

"Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to resurface Gordon avenue, Hyde Park, from 1307 River street northerly to 140 feet beyond Horton street."

Due to the lateness of the season, we cannot effect the above-desired improvement this year. However, you may be assured that consideration will be given to having the necessary resurfacing work included in the 1953 street reconstruction program, assuming that the results of a survey will determine that such action is necessary.

Respectfully yours,

GEORGE B. HYLAND,

Commissioner of Public Works.

Placed on file.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS AT WASHINGTON
STREET AND COREY ROAD.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, November 24, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of the Boston Traffic Commission relative to your order of October 27, 1952, concerning the request for the installation of pedestrian traffic lights at the intersection of Washington street and Corey road, Brighton, where an especially serious traffic problem exists.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,

November 21, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes,

Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

With reference to Council order of October 27, 1952, requesting the installation of pedestrian traffic lights at Corey road and Washington street, Brighton, a survey indicates that both the vehicular and pedestrian volumes at this location are sufficient to warrant such an installation.

A traffic count taken on November 17 and 18, 1952, showed 9,073 vehicles using the intersection from 8 A.M. to 6 P.M. with 7,399 cars on Washington street and 1,674 cars on Corey road.

Although the accident record for this location is low, only two accidents during the past four years, and they being cases where motor vehicles were in conflict with other motor vehicles and not persons, recently additional hazards have been created by the establishment of a "Stop and Shop" store at one corner of this intersection.

In view of the volume of traffic and the increased pedestrian hazards developed at this intersection we shall add this location to our list of proposed signals for further consideration when money is made available to us for our 1953 signal light program.

Sincerely yours,

WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

LIST OF OUTSTANDING POCKET
GASOLINE LICENSES.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, November 24, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Secretary of the Board of Street Commissioners relative to your order of November 19, 1952, requesting that a list be prepared of all outstanding pocket gasoline licenses in the City of Boston.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Street Laying-Out Department,
November 20, 1952.

Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I acknowledge for the Board receipt of your communication of November 19, 1952, enclosing an order introduced by Councillor Piemonte requesting that this Board prepare a list of all outstanding pocket gasoline licenses in the City of Boston, stating the person to whom the license was issued, the date of said issuance, the terms of said license, and the location of said licensed premises.

As this Board issues the original licenses, it has no means of determining whether or not such license has been exercised until a check has been made with the Fire Department, which department renews said licenses on April 30 of each year. Under the circumstances, it would be advisable to forward this request to the Fire Commissioner who has a sufficient number of men in the Fire Prevention Bureau to check all locations licensed and who could give a more accurate report as to which licenses have been exercised and which licenses have not been exercised but have been renewed from year to year.

Any further information required can be secured from this Department.

Very truly yours,
LAWRENCE W. COSTELLO, Secretary.
Laid on the table.

TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATION
TO PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
AUTOMOTIVE DIVISION.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, November 24, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

The enclosed request for transfer of appropriation, together with the accompanying order, is recommended for adoption by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.
(Bridge and Highway Division, Ferry Service.)

From the appropriation for Ferry Service, 100, Permanent Employees, \$6,500, to Automotive Division, 270, Repairs and Servicing of Equipment (Automotive), \$6,500.

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, Ferry Service, 1, Personal Services, \$6,500, to appropriation for Public Works Department, Automotive Division. 2. Contractual Services, \$6,500.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Finance.

TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATION FOR
EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION ADJUST-
MENTS, COUNTY DEPARTMENTS.

The following was received.

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, November 24, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

There is forwarded herewith an order transferring funds to various county departments which are estimated to be sufficient to put into effect the revised Compensation Plan for the Officers and Employees of Suffolk County now being considered by your Honorable Body. These amounts total \$113,616, and are being transferred from the lump sum appropriation entitled "Classification and Compensation Plan, Establishment of."

Consideration and adoption of this order by your Honorable Body is recommended.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, 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 Classification and Compensation Plan, Establishment of, \$113,616, to the appropriation for Suffolk County, Courthouse Custodian, 1, Personal Services, \$33,000, County Buildings, 1, Personal Services, \$10,908, Jail, 1, Personal Services, \$17,000, Superior Court, Civil Session, Clerk's Office, 1, Personal Services, \$3,870, Municipal Court, City of Boston, 1, Personal Services, \$5,100, Municipal Court, Charlestown District, 1, Personal Services, \$1,809, East Boston District Court, 1, Personal Services, \$700, Municipal Court, South Boston District, 1, Personal Services, \$1,200, Municipal Court, Dorchester District, 1, Personal Services, \$1,500, Municipal Court, Roxbury District, 1, Personal Services, \$6,236, Municipal Court, West Roxbury District, 1, Personal Services, \$1,200, Municipal Court, Brighton District, 1, Personal Services, \$700, Boston Juvenile Court, 1, Personal Services, \$565, District Court of Chelsea, 1, Personal Services, \$800, Medical Examiner Service, Northern Division, 1, Personal Services, \$500, Medical Examiner Service, Southern Division, 1, Personal Services, \$165, Miscellaneous Expenses, Auditing Department, 1, Personal Services, \$3,000, Miscellaneous Expenses, Budget Department, 1, Personal Services, \$500, Miscellaneous Expenses, Sheriff, 1, Personal Services, \$375, Miscellaneous Expenses, Treasury Department, 1, Personal Services, \$288, Penal Institutions Department, Central Office, 1, Personal Services, \$2,200, Penal Institutions Department, House of Correction, 1, Personal Services, \$22,000.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

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

Claims.

Sophie Abramowitz, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 19 Outlook road.

Joseph G. Ahern, to be reimbursed for expenses incurred in repairing break in water pipe at 27 Temple street, West Roxbury.

Mrs. John I. Benjamin, for compensation for damage to car by truck of Boston Trade School.

Mrs. Mortimer Cronin, for compensation for damage to property at 19 East Cottage street, caused by city men cutting down tree.

William F. Grady, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Health Department.

James P. J. Higgins, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Richard M. Horrigan, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Dunbar avenue, Dorchester.

John H. O'Brien, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 569 Tremont street.

John F. Prindiville, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect at Chestnut Hill avenue and Wallingford road.

John J. Powers, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him on account of his acts as employee of Police Department.

Mary F. Russo, for compensation for damage to property at 73 Cottage street, East Boston, caused by backing up of sewage.

John F. Rynne, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him on account of his acts as employee of Police Department.

Arthur J. Short, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

N. Conant Webb, Jr., for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Ruth Thaler, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect in Bedford street.

COMMITTEE ON LICENSES.

Petition of Plymouth & Brockton Street Railway Company for license to operate motor vehicles on Dorchester avenue between Adams street and Fields Corner Station.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

PETITION FOR ANNUITY.

Petition of Sadie Bithoney to be paid an annuity on account of the death of her son, Joseph Bithoney, late member of the Fire Department.

Referred to the Committee on Claims.

PETITION FOR INDEMNIFICATION.

Petition of Joseph F. Hoar, Ladder Company 4, Boston Fire Department, for indemnification for hospital, surgical, medical, and nursing expenses.

Referred to the Committee on Claims.

HEARING BEFORE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held on December 18 at 10 A.M. on rates and charges of the Boston, Worcester & New York Street Railway Company.

Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

NOTICE FROM DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.

Communication was received from the State Department of Public Utilities transmitting copy of order granting petition of Boston Edison Company and New England Telephone & Telegraph Company for erection of poles and wires in portions of West Boundary road, Hyde Park.

Placed on file.

VOTE ON LICENSE QUESTIONS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Board of Election Commissioners,
November 18, 1952.

Walter J. Malloy, Esq.,
City Clerk.

Dear Sir:

We hereby certify that at the State Election held on November 4, 1952, the vote upon the following question in this city was as follows:

Question No. 1.

A. Shall licenses be granted in this city for the sale therein of all alcoholic beverages (whisky, rum, gin, malt beverages, wines, and all other alcoholic beverages)?

Yes, 218,895
No, 37,672

B. Shall licenses be granted in this city for the sale therein of wines and malt beverages (wines and beer, ale, and all other beverages)?

Yes, 209,858
No, 33,548

C. Shall licenses be granted in this city for the sale therein of all alcoholic beverages in packages, so called, not to be drunk on the premises?

Yes, 215,487
No, 31,154

Very truly yours,

JOSEPH RUSSO
GERTRUDE A. PFAU } Board of Election
DAVID LASKER } Commissioners.
PERLIE DYAR CHASE }
Placed on file.

RETURN OF VOTE FOR REGISTER OF DEEDS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Board of Election Commissioners,
November 18, 1952.

Walter J. Malloy, Esq.,
City Clerk.

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to law, we hereby certify that it appears from the return of votes given in by the voters of the County of Suffolk at their respective meetings held on the fourth day of November, 1952, that Leo J. Sullivan of Boston, Massachusetts, has been duly elected Register of Deeds for the County of Suffolk for the term of six years.

Respectfully yours,

JOSEPH RUSSO
GERTRUDE A. PFAU } Board of Election
DAVID LASKER } Commissioners.
PERLIE DYAR CHASE }
Placed on file.

CHANGES IN VOTING PRECINCTS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Board of Election Commissioners,
November 18, 1952.

Walter J. Malloy, Esq.,
City Clerk.

Dear Sir:

The following is a vote of the Board of Election Commissioners taken under date of September 30, 1952:

Voted, To decrease the number of precincts in Ward 5 from 16 to 11 in number; in Ward 6 from 16 to 9 in number; in Ward 7 from 18 to 10 in number; in Ward 8 from 16 to 9 in number; in Ward 9 from 15 to 10 in number; in Ward 10 from 17 to 9 in number.

These decreases (consolidation of precincts) have been made possible by the installation of voting machines. These changes, which will make a total of 322 precincts in the City of Boston, are set forth in the description accompanying this letter.

The new precinct lines are to become effective for the police listing of January 1, 1953.

Very truly yours,

Board of Election Commissioners,
GERTRUDE A. PFAU,
Commissioner and Secretary.

Ordered printed and placed on file (Doc. 58).

ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN OF BOARD OF OVERSEERS OF PUBLIC WELFARE.

Notice was received from William G. O'Hare, Secretary, of election of Joseph K. Collins as Chairman of the Board of Overseers of the Public Welfare, to serve until the annual meeting in May, 1953.

Placed on file.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR.

Notice was received from the Mayor of the following appointments as alternates to members of the Board of Zoning Adjustment:

Albert V. Colman, 72 Alban street, Dorchester, to be alternate to Daniel G. O'Connor for term ending April 30, 1956.

Francis E. Buckley, 690 Dudley street, to be alternate to John J. Barry for term ending April 30, 1953.

Philip M. Horan, 34 Oak street, to be alternate to Fred S. Crowther for term ending April 30, 1956.

F. Paul Morgan, 45 Milk street, to be alternate to John A. Breen for term ending April 30, 1955.

Mark Linenthal, 16 Lincoln street, to be alternate to William L. Hyland for term ending April 30, 1954.

William Moore, 110 Forsyth street, to be alternate to Alan J. Potter for term ending April 30, 1956.

Alfred Ellis, 246 South Huntington avenue, to be alternate to Earl McMann for term ending April 30, 1954.

Douglas B. Footit, 14 Beacon street, to be alternate to Dana Somes for term ending April 30, 1955.

Severally placed on file.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC LANDS.

Coun. FOLEY, for the Committee on Public Lands, submitted the following:

1. Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred May 5) re abandonment of easement for sewerage purposes in land of Wood Estate, between Morton street and Clearwater Drive, Dorchester—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was given its first reading and passage, yeas 9:

Yeas—Councillors Ahearn, Foley, Hailer, Hurley, Joyce, Kerrigan, Piemonte, Ward, White—9.

The order was assigned for 14 days for final action.

2. Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred April 30) authorizing exchange of lands between City of Boston and Giuseppa Seminarra at Delmont street, Dorchester—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was given its first reading and passage, yeas 9:

Yeas—Councillors Ahearn, Foley, Hailer, Hurley, Joyce, Kerrigan, Piemonte, Ward, White—9.

The order was assigned for 14 days for final action.

3. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred February 25) authorizing transfer of land on Homer street, East Boston, to the chairman of the Board of Real Estate Commissioners—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed, yeas 9:

Yeas—Councillors Ahearn, Foley, Hailer, Hurley, Joyce, Kerrigan, Piemonte, Ward, White—9.

4. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred August 25) authorizing reconveyance of land on Cowper street, East Boston, to Mary McLean—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was given its first reading and passage, yeas 9:

Yeas—Councillors Ahearn, Foley, Hailer, Hurley, Joyce, Kerrigan, Piemonte, Ward, White—9.

The order was assigned for 14 days for final action.

5. Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred April 7) for transfer of 1,280 square feet of tax title property at 4 and 5 Douglass court, Boston Proper, to Park Department for playground purposes—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

6. Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred April 7) transferring parcel of land on Dover street, Boston Proper, from Fire Department to Park Department—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCE.

Coun. AHEARN, for the Committee on Appropriations and Finance, submitted the following:

1. Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred October 27) for appropriation of \$59,600 to the Water Service of the Public Works Department—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed, yeas 7, nays 1:

Yeas—Councillors Ahearn, Hailer, Hurley, Joyce, Kerrigan, Ward, White—7.

Nays—Councillor Piemonte—1.

Voting Present—Councillor Foley—1.

2. Report on message of the Mayor and orders (referred October 27) for transfer of \$270 from the Public Works Department, Central Office, to the Automotive Division, and transfer of \$22,250 from the Ferry Service, Public Works Department, to the Automotive Division—recommending that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted.

Coun. WHITE in the chair.

The question first came on the order for transfer of \$270 to the Automotive Division, and the order was passed, yeas 8, nays 1:

Yeas—Councillors Ahearn, Foley, Hailer, Hurley, Joyce, Kerrigan, Ward, White—8.

Nays—Councillor Piemonte—1.

The question then came on the order for transfer of \$22,500 from the Ferry Service to the Automotive Division. The order was passed, yeas, 7, nays 2:

Yeas—Councillors Ahearn, Foiey, Hailer, Hurley, Kerrigan, Ward, White—7.

Nays—Councillors Joyce, Piemonte—2.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS.

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

Ordered, That the order passed by the City Council on October 27, 1952, and approved by the Mayor, on October 28, 1952, under the provisions of section 100 of chapter 41 of the General Laws, upon petition of James M. Sutton, a hoseman in the Fire Department, be, and the same hereby is, rescinded; and further

Ordered, That under the provisions of section 100 of chapter 41 of the General Laws, upon petition of James M. Sutton, a hoseman in the Fire Department, for indemnification for hospital, surgical, medical and nursing expenses incurred by him as a result of injuries received through no fault of his own, while in the performance of his duty on December 26, 1950, there be allowed and paid, as recommended by the Fire Commissioner and approved by the Corporation Counsel, to the Boston Firemen's Relief Fund the sum of three hundred and ninety dollars (\$390), said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

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

EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION CHANNEL FOR BOSTON.

Coun. WHITE offered the following:

Resolved, That the Boston City Council endorses enthusiastically to the Federal Communications Commission the recommendation for an educational television channel for the City of Boston, and that, believing such a powerful and influential medium should be utilized to the fullest, yet impartially and wisely, for the betterment of the minds of the citizenry of this city, we urge that the Mayor and all the citizens also support such measures as would result in the release of an educational channel to this area.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

ERECTION OF WAR MEMORIAL BUILDING BY WHITE FUND.

Coun. WHITE offered the following:

Whereas, There appears to be a pressing need for a suitable convention hall in Boston, Mass.; and

Whereas, The highly honored deceased veterans of the wars of these United States have been entirely neglected and forgotten as to recognition of their great service to our country so far as any memorial in their honor is concerned; and

Whereas, The will of the late George Robert White in Article 14 thereof suggests the erection of a forum of substantial proportions for public

gatherings and further suggests the use of the George White Fund for that purpose;

We, therefore, the members of the Boston City Council, do hereby resolve at Boston, Mass., that a suitable War Memorial Building to be erected and dedicated to the sacred memory of the honored deceased veterans of all wars in which these United States has been a participant is a matter requiring immediate attention, and it is further

Resolved, That it is our considered opinion that such a War Memorial Building should contain a large Memorial Hall, wherein a vast congregation of our citizenry may be seated at gatherings of a patriotic nature in due observances of national holidays or events of great historical significance or conventions of national import and such other observances as might be considered proper in a building of the nature proposed; and be it further

Resolved, That the proposed War Memorial Building might well also contain certain rooms dedicated to various military, naval, or war veterans' services, or other affiliated organizations, to contain such mementos as might preserve their high and great traditions of patriotic service and serve as a most striking lesson to present and to future generations of the Commonwealth and unsurpassed great nation by all of its resident war veterans, with the end in view that the fires of patriotism may be kept burning brightly and the high purpose and ideals of the founding fathers, so well preserved, may continue to be protected and preserved by enlightened and appreciative succeeding generations; and it is hereby further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Mayor of the City of Boston and also to the Trustees of the George Robert White Trust Fund at City Hall, Boston, Mass.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF ARTHUR J. MELLO.

Coun. FOLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to name the junction of G and East Fourth streets, South Boston, the "Arthur J. Mello Square," in honor of Pvt. Arthur J. Mello of 40 G street, South Boston, who lost his life while serving his country in Normandy on June 6, 1944.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

INFORMAL CONFERENCES WITH MAYOR.

Coun. FOLEY offered the following:

Resolved, That his Honor the Mayor be, and hereby is, requested to continue the series of informal conferences with the full Boston City Council, begun on August 25, 1952, for the purpose of clarifying executive policies in an informal way so as to avoid the cumbersome method of communication.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

THANKS TO CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL COMMITTEE.

Coun. AHERN offered the following:

Whereas, The Christmas Festival Committee—Honorary Chairman, Mayor John B. Hynes; General Chairman, Harry J. Blake; and Festival Director, Paul Hines—and the committee associates have done an exemplary job in procuring and forwarding Christmas gift packages to our young men and women in the armed services in Korea, Japan, and Europe, and to the Korean wounded at the greater Boston service hospitals; and

Whereas, Many of our young men and women would not be remembered at Christmas if it were not for the foresightedness and unselfish efforts of the men serving on such a committee; and

Whereas, All citizens of the City of Boston are urged to join the efforts of these civic leaders and thus make a certainty that none of our Boston boys will be forgotten on Christmas Day even though they are serving us in lands afar; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the members of the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, extend hearty

thanks to all members of the Christmas Festival Committee for their thoughtful and energetic work, and urge all citizens of Boston to cooperate in whatever capacity possible, financial or otherwise, as a mark of the gratitude we at home feel for the valiant deeds being performed by all of our boys in foreign lands.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

ESTABLISHING OF HOUSING BUREAU IN HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

Coun. FOLEY offered the following:

City of Boston.

In the Year Nineteen Hundred and Fifty-two.

An Ordinance.

Be it ordained by the City Council of Boston, as follows:

SECTION 1. That a bureau, to be known as the Housing Bureau, be, and hereby is, established in the Department of Health, to which shall be transferred all the personnel, duties, records, and pending cases of housing and sanitation law enforcement. There shall be a director of said Housing Bureau, who shall be appointed by the Mayor. Said bureau shall in addition be staffed by an assistant director and with such additional personnel as the Commissioner of Health may from time to time appoint in accordance with law. Said director shall report directly to the Commissioner of Health and, subject to his approval, shall exercise in the Department of Health the powers hereinafter enumerated. In addition, said director shall be responsible for assisting the Planning Board, Urban Redevelopment Authority, Housing Authority, and municipal departments involved in housing planning and law enforcement in developing uniform and consistent policies, procedures, and techniques, to the end that any policy differences between said several law enforcement activities may be resolved, and a well-planned, comprehensive, and consistent attack may be made on the conditions hereinabove described without unnecessary and conflicting harassment of owners and occupants of substandard dwellings.

SECT. 2. And be it further ordained, That the director of the Housing Bureau shall be primarily responsible directly under the Commissioner of Health for the administration and enforcement of the city housing and sanitation laws, including all regulations promulgated by the Commissioner of Health. Said Housing Bureau shall be charged with the duty of (a) receiving, handling, or referring all complaints under the above-mentioned ordinances and regulations concerning the condition of houses, (b) undertaking enforcement of said ordinances and regulations on a block and area basis, (c) initiating procedures for preventing the development of substandard housing and residential blight and deterioration through strict enforcement of said ordinances and regulations and other regulatory controls, (d) establishing, with the approval of the Commissioner of Public Health, policies and procedures within the Health Department for the administration and enforcement of said ordinances and regulations, which policies and procedures shall be binding upon all other municipal departments.

SECT. 3. And be it further ordained, That the director of said Housing Bureau shall have the duty and authority to promote the above-described program by inviting and stimulating the cooperation, interest, and support of individual citizens and citizens' groups, and by the education of owners and occupants of substandard dwellings in blighted residential areas. For this purpose, as well as for the general planning of said program, said director shall have the benefit of an advisory council, consisting of not fewer than nine persons, appointed from time to time by the Mayor.

Referred to the Committee on Ordinances.

APPROPRIATION FOR OFF-STREET PARKING FACILITIES IN BRIGHTON.

On motion of Councillor Ahearn, the message of the Mayor and order (referred November 17) appropriating \$60,000 from the special account, "Parking Meter Fees," for acquiring and constructing off-street parking facilities in Brighton, was recalled from the Committee on Appropriations and Finance.

Coun. FOLEY moved to amend the order by reducing the appropriation to \$35,500. The amendment was rejected, yeas 4, nays 5:

Yeas—Councillors Foley, Hailer, Joyce, Piemonte—4.

Nays—Councillors Ahearn, Hurley, Kerrigan, Werd, White—5.

The order was given its first reading and passage, yeas 6, nays 1:

Yeas—Councillors Ahearn, Hailer, Hurley, Kerrigan, Ward, White—6.

Nays—Councillor Joyce—1.

Voting Present—Councillors Foley, Piemonte—2.
The order was assigned for 14 days for final action.

ABATEMENTS ON REAL ESTATE TAXES.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:
Ordered, That chapter 5 of the Revised Ordinances of 1947 is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following new section:

Section 5. The Board shall on or before the close of the third business day succeeding any meeting of the Board at which abatements on real estate taxes were voted, furnish the Clerk of the City of Boston with a record listing of said abatements granted and shall cause within the same period of time a copy to be posted in a conspicuous place in that portion of the Assessors' office accessible to the public. Said listing shall be alphabetical according to the street and number. It shall include the name of the person taxed, the year for which the tax was abated, the total tax due that year, the amount of the tax abated, the date abated, and the reason for the abatement signifying whether because of a decision of the Tax Appellate Board or by action of the Board of Assessors.

Ordered, That chapter 5 of the Revised Ordinances of 1947 is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following new sections:

Section 5. The Board shall submit to the Mayor and the City Council on or before the tenth of January annually, a listing of abatements of real estate taxes allowed for the preceding year. Said listing shall be alphabetical according to the street and number. It shall include the name of the person taxed, the year for which the tax was abated, the total tax due that year, the amount of the tax abated, the date abated, and the reason for the abatement signifying whether because of a decision of the Tax Appellate Board or by action of the Board of Assessors. Said document shall be printed as an official document of the City of Boston under the heading "Abatement Record of Real Estate Taxes."

Section 6. The Board shall on or before the close of the third business day succeeding any meeting of the Board at which abatements on real estate taxes were voted, furnish the Clerk of the City of Boston with a listing of said abatements granted and shall cause within the same period of time a copy to be posted in a conspicuous place in that portion of the Assessors' office accessible to the public. Said listing shall be alphabetical according to the street and number of the real estate abatement. It shall include the name of the person taxed, the year for which the tax was abated, the total tax due that year, the amount of tax abated, the date abated, and the reason for the abatement signifying whether because of a decision of the Tax Appellate Board or by action of the Board of Assessors.

Severally referred to the Committee on Ordinances.

LIST OF ALL OUTSTANDING POCKET GASOLINE PERMITS.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:

Resolved, Whereas, in response to the request of the Boston City Council for a list of all outstanding pocket gasoline licenses, a communication, under date of November 20, 1952, was received over the signature of Lawrence W. Costello, Secretary of the Board of Street Commissioners, stating as follows:

"As this Board issues the original licenses, it has no means of determining whether or not such license has been exercised until a check has been made with the Fire Department, which department renews said licenses on April 30 of each year. Under the circumstances, it would be advisable to forward this request to the Fire Commissioner who has a sufficient number of men in the Fire Prevention Bureau to check all locations licensed and who could give a more accurate report as to which licenses have been exercised and which licenses have not been exercised but have been renewed from year to year"; therefore, be it

Resolved, That his Honor the Mayor request the Board of Street Commissioners and the Fire Commissioner, and any other agency he deems advisable, to undertake jointly the preparation of a list of all outstanding pocket gasoline permits; such list shall be in alphabetical order according to street and number, and shall include the person to whom the license was issued; the date of said issuance and the terms of said license; and that a copy of said list be furnished to the Boston City Council.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

RESURFACING OF GORDON AVENUE, HYDE PARK;

On motion of Councillor Ward the Council voted to take from the table No. 3 on the Calendar, viz.:

No. 3, Message of the Mayor of August 25, 1952, relative to resurfacing Gordon avenue, Hyde Park.

On further motion of Councillor Ward the message was placed on file.

INCREASE OF PENSIONS TO CERTAIN FORMER PUBLIC EMPLOYEES.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:

Ordered, That chapter 624 of the Acts of 1952, entitled "An Act Relative to Increasing the Amounts of Pensions, Retirement Allowances and Annuities Payable to Certain Former Public Employees," be, and hereby is, accepted.

Referred to the Committee on Legislative Matters.

RECESS.

On motion of Councillor Foley the Council voted to take a recess at 4.22 P.M., subject to the call of the Chair. The members reassembled and were called to order by President PIEMONTE at 7.42 P.M.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

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

1. Order that the President appoint a committee of three to set up a Classification and Compensation Plan for the attaches of the Boston City Council.

The report was accepted and the order was passed. President PIEMONTE appointed himself as chairman and Councillors Ahearn and Foley as members of the committee.

2. Report on message of the Mayor, and order (referred November 17) establishing the Classification and Compensation Plans for Officers and Employees of Suffolk County—that same ought to pass.

The report of the Committee was accepted.

Coun. WHITE moved to amend the order by inserting after the word "repealed" the words "except, in so far as they relate to the office of Sheriff and Jailer, and the office of Deputy Jailer, and to amend Schedule B annexed to the order by striking out all matters therein relating to said officers of Sheriff and Jailer, and Deputy Jailer." The amendment was rejected.

Coun. AHEARN offered the following:
 Ordered, That Rule 19 of Schedule A attached to the Budget Commissioner's recommendations to the Mayor and the City Council, dated November 17, 1952, for amendment of the County Classification and Compensation Plan be amended by striking out the first sentence and inserting in place thereof the following:

"Any incumbent aggrieved by the classification of his office, or position may, in writing, appeal to the Mayor" so that Rule 19 will read as follows:

Rule 19. Appeals.—Any incumbent aggrieved by the classification of his office or position may in writing, appeal to the Mayor. All appeals shall be referred to the Budget Commissioner, who shall investigate the merits thereof and report to the Mayor. The action by the Mayor in relation thereto shall be final; and be it further

Ordered, That the foregoing be forthwith referred to the Budget Commissioner for report pursuant to law.

The order was passed and immediately referred to the Budget Commissioner, who submitted the following report:

City of Boston,
 Budget Department, November 24, 1952.
 To the Honorable City Council.
 Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of your request for a report with respect to striking the words "allocation or" from the first sentence of Rule 19 of Schedule A submitted with my recommendation of November 17, 1952, for an amendment in the County Classification and Compensation Plans.

This is to report that I see no objection to striking out the words in question.

Respectfully,
 JOHN A. SULLIVAN,
 Budget Commissioner.

The question then came on the adoption of the amendment offered by Councillor Ahearn, and the amendment was adopted.

The order establishing the Classification and Compensation Plans for the Officers and Employees of Suffolk County, as amended, was passed.

3. Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred today) for transfer of appropriation of \$113,616 from Classification and Compensation Plan, Establishment of, to various county departments — that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed, yeas 9:

Yeas — Councillors Ahearn, Foley, Hailer, Hurley, Joyce, Kerrigan, Piemonte, Ward, White — 9.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO COUNTY CLASSIFICATION AND COMPENSATION PLAN.

Coun. WHITE offered the following:
 Ordered, That the Classification and Compensation Plans and Rules for Officers and Employees of Suffolk County be, and hereby are, amended as follows:

That the grade allocation of jail officer be changed from 16 to 17.

Referred to the Budget Commissioner for report.

Coun. WARD offered the following:
 Ordered, That the Classification and Compensation Plans and Rules for Officers and Employees of Suffolk County be, and hereby are, amended as follows:

That the grade allocation under the classification "First Assistant Clerk of Court" be equalized at Grade 30.

Referred to the Budget Commissioner for report.

Coun. WARD offered the following:
 Ordered, That the Classification and Compensation Plans and Rules for Officers and Employees of Suffolk County be, and hereby are, amended as follows:

That the grade allocation of the positions classified "Clerk of Court" be equalized at Grade 34.

Referred to the Budget Commissioner for report.

Coun. WARD offered the following:

Ordered, That the Classification and Compensation Plans and Rules for Officers and Employees of Suffolk County be, and hereby are, amended, as follows:

That the assistant matron at the jail be classified the same as the jailers.

Referred to the Budget Commissioner for report.

Coun. FOLEY offered the following:
 Ordered, That the Classification and Compensation Plans and Rules for Officers and Employees of Suffolk County be, and hereby are, amended by redrafting Rule 19, as follows:

Rule 19. Appeals.—Any incumbent aggrieved by the allocation or classification of his office or position may, in writing, appeal to the Mayor. All appeals shall immediately be referred to the Compensation Review Board, who shall investigate the merits thereof, granting the appellant full notice and hearing in connection with such investigation. The Board shall then submit a full report to the Mayor and Council.

For the purpose of this rule, the Compensation Review Board shall include a representative of organized labor.

Ordered, That the above order be referred to the Budget Commissioner of the City of Boston as provided by General Laws, chapter 35, section 51B.

Referred to the Budget Commissioner for report.

Coun. WHITE offered the following:

Ordered, That the Classification and Compensation Plans and Rules for Officers and Employees of Suffolk County be, and hereby are, amended as follows:

That the court officers of the district courts of Brighton, Charlestown, Dorchester, East Boston, South Boston, and West Roxbury, be changed from Grade 17 to Grade 19.

Referred to the Budget Commissioner for report.

Coun. HURLEY, WARD, and JOYCE offered the following:

Ordered, That the Classification and Compensation Plans and Rules for Officers and Employees of Suffolk County be, and hereby are, amended as follows:

That the grade allocation for commitment and transfer officer be changed from Grade 18 to Grade 20.

Referred to the Budget Commissioner for report.

Coun. KERRIGAN and WARD offered the following:

Ordered, That the Classification and Compensation Plans and Rules for Officers and Employees of Suffolk County be, and hereby are, amended as follows:

That the grade allocation of van drivers be changed from Grade 16 to Grade 17, duties comparable to jail officers.

Referred to the Budget Commissioner for report.

PROPOSED PROCEDURE ON CLASSIFICATION CHANGES.

Coun. AHEARN offered the following:

Whereas, A hearing on the new proposed Classification and Compensation Plan for Suffolk County Employees disclosed that certain jobs were not correctly classified for present duties; and

Whereas, It is desired to install the new plan now without delay in order to give as many county employees as possible a raise at once; and

Whereas, Some employees may be aggrieved by said plan; now, therefore, be it

Ordered, That all county employees whose actual work is not adequately described, or is incorrectly described, by the new Classification Plan are requested to notify the Budget Commissioner in writing of the true facts; and be it further

Ordered, That the Budget Commissioner shall submit to the City Council all cases so reported to him with his findings and recommendations for changes, or otherwise.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

PROCEDURE FOR PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE COUNTY CLASSIFICATION AND COMPENSATION PLAN.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:

Ordered, That all amendments to the County Classification and Compensation Plans presented at any Council meeting be forthwith referred to the Budget Commissioner for report pursuant to law.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

Coun. WHITE in the chair.

VOTE OF THANKS TO MR. KERR AND MR. SULLIVAN.

On motion of Councillor Ward, the Council gave a rising vote of thanks to Mr. William Kerr of the Law Department and Budget Commissioner Sullivan for their kind assistance on the Classification and Compensation Plan for the Officers and Employees of Suffolk County.

Adjourned at 9.08 P.M., on motion of Councillor Ward, to meet on Monday, December 1, 1952, 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 1, 1952.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President PIEMONTE in the chair. Absent, Councilors Foley and Ward.

Emeritus Rabbi Herman H. Rubenovitz, of Arlington, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY RABBI HERMAN H. RUBENOVITZ.

Almighty God, our Father, our thoughts at this moment standing as we are in the Chamber of the City Council of the City of Boston, are as the thought expressed by the Psalmist, his days are as withered grass, and like a fleeting shadow of his life pass away. Our hearts go out in sympathy with our fellow Councillor, Mr. William J. Foley, whose father has been called to his eternal reward. As the memory of righteousness and the blessing and the radiant after life shine forth as a star, even so may it be with the life of the deceased whose soul we commend unto Thee, our Heavenly Father.

We pray at this hour that our faith be renewed and strengthened. The thought conveyed by the poet we would like to make our own, "Though the cause of evil prosper, yet it is God alone who is strong." That with the faith of the fathers of this, our glorious country, the faith that guided and sustained them as they laid the foundations deep and strong, the faith in the Eternal Word of the Gospel, of justice and of equality, of love and of mercy, O Heavenly Father, bless our country, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and this center of commerce and industry, this home of the arts and sciences, this City of Boston. Grant that it may be the privilege of this Body to uphold and perpetuate its finest traditions and standards for the future glory of our great city and the happiness of all who live in it. Amen.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

JURORS DRAWN.

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

Twenty-two grand jurors, Superior Criminal Court, to appear January 5, 1953:

William G. Corbett, Ward 1; James Dzedulonus, Ward 1; Gaetano J. Iovanna, Ward 1; John F. McParland, Ward 1; Joseph A. Savasta, Ward 1; Joseph Visto, Ward 1; John B. Papanicou, Ward 4; James M. Rattray, Ward 5; Cornelius Doherty, Ward 10; Esther L. McDermott, Ward 10; Herbert E. Hanson, Ward 13; Goldie Factor, Ward 14; Mary Sidman, Ward 14; Frederick Smith, Ward 14; William H. Carlson, Ward 15; Elizabeth F. Leahy, Ward 16; Henry G. Cook, Jr., Ward 18; John J. Annotte, Ward 20; Alfred Lenzi, Ward 20; Gustav Schoener, Ward 20; Robert L. Lynch, Ward 21; Frank Orlandi, Ward 22.

Forty-five traverse jurors, Superior Criminal Court, to appear January 5, 1953:

Gerald J. Cormier, Ward 1; Paul Cucchiara, Ward 1; Joseph Matarazza, Ward 1; Dorothy M. Minichello, Ward 1; Edward J. Canney, Ward 2; William J. Bell, Ward 3; Leonard Kurtzer, Ward 3; Robert LoPilato, Ward 3; George D. Hubbard, Jr., Ward 4; Samuel E. LaPlante, Ward 4; Emmet J. O'Connor, Ward 4; Chesley Perry, Ward 4; Thomas F. O'Neill, Ward 6; John E. Foley, Ward 7; Charles L. Powers, Ward 7; James F. Chisholm, Ward 8; Mary Basche, Ward 9; Charles E. Fairfax, Ward 9; James Hall, Ward 9; Harold E. Joseph, Ward 9; Charles H. Keating, Ward 9; Paul R. Phillips, Ward 9; Ruth Pollard, Ward 9;

Martin Fisher, Ward 10; Daniel Sullivan, Ward 10; Francis G. Sullivan, Ward 10; Joseph P. Becker, Ward 11; Mary E. Doucette, Ward 11; Marie M. Stephansky, Ward 11; Robert A. Jacobs, Ward 12; Agnes S. Sheets, Ward 12; Margaret M. Curley, Ward 13; Michael J. McMahon, Ward 13; David L. Levine, Ward 14; Solomon Sochin, Ward 14; John J. Madden, Ward 15; Harry A. White, Ward 15; Mark A. Kelly, Ward 16; Howard W. Weitz, Ward 16; Stanley M. Halley, Ward 18; Bertha V. West, Ward 18; Helen G. Degnan, Ward 19; Jeremiah McCarthy, Ward 19; Robert C. Stober, Ward 19; Leo S. Hoffer, Ward 20.

One hundred sixty-nine traverse jurors, Superior Civil Court, to appear January 5, 1953:

Carmela Autuori, Ward 1; Dominick A. Cimino, Ward 1; Ralph DeStefano, Ward 1; James E. Flynn, Ward 1; John B. LaCorte, Ward 1; Agnes L. Marley, Ward 1; John Masala, Ward 1; Joseph Pierro, Ward 1; George I. Pothier, Ward 1; Michael A. Rotigliano, Jr., Ward 1; George Sabagh, Ward 1; Emilia M. Vitale, Ward 1; John J. Butler, Ward 2; Eugene J. Doe, Ward 2; James A. Duggan, Ward 2; Madeline G. Durham, Ward 2; Charles F. Hurley, Ward 2; Francis J. Kelleher, Ward 2; Francis Sprague, Ward 2; Joseph M. Cintolo, Ward 3; Cecilia Ferullo, Ward 3; Alfred Flavio, Sr., Ward 3; John Hauge, Ward 3; Vincent Manganiello, Ward 3; Frances M. Mauro, Ward 3; Lina T. Rains, Ward 3; Paul Raneri, Ward 3; Hubert G. Ripley, Jr., Ward 3; Sebastino Spinale, Ward 3; John D. Vendetti, Ward 3; James Vartuccio, Ward 3; Dollard E. Brosseau, Ward 4; Eric Darrell, Ward 4; John T. S. Gilchrist, Ward 4; Harold A. Gillette, Ward 4; Michael J. McCarthy, Ward 4; Albert Mercer, Ward 4; Albert I. Moser, Ward 4; Raymond K. Turner, Ward 4; Nina M. Chiesa, Ward 5; William J. Godette, Ward 5; William H. Gregg, Jr., Ward 5; Helen M. Hupp, Ward 5; Martin J. Lynch, Ward 5; John J. McLean, Ward 5; Ernest H. Notz, Ward 5; Samuel Rosenthal, Ward 5; Frank M. Donovan, Ward 6; James J. Fraser, Ward 6; Anthony J. Kasper, Ward 6; Francis X. McGuire, Ward 6; Richard R. O'Connell, Jr., Ward 6; Harold L. Robbins, Ward 6; Marion F. Daley, Ward 7; Philip J. Hayes, Ward 7; James F. Keaney, Ward 7; Philip S. Kearney, Ward 7; Lawrence J. Murphy, Ward 7; William E. Quinlan, Ward 7; George L. Sinkus, Ward 7; William J. Sullivan, Ward 7; Anne F. Walsh, Ward 7; Theodore F. White, Ward 7; Leo Alario, Ward 8; Robert L. Carroll, Ward 8; Alexander W. Cartledge, Ward 8; Donald Q. Dustin, Ward 8; Richmond H. Minton, Ward 8; John J. Sacco, Ward 8; Elias M. Dowab, Ward 9; Arthur J. Glass, Ward 9; Stephen W. Glover, Ward 9; James A. Johnson, Ward 9; Walter J. Tyler, Ward 9.

Timothy G. Bulman, Ward 10; Francis E. Doucet, Ward 10; Michael H. Fallon, Ward 10; Rita B. McGee, Ward 10; Margaret E. McLaughlin, Ward 10; Joseph F. Oliver, Ward 10; George W. Rogers, Ward 10; Richard Lazarus Caplan, Ward 11; John W. Comeau, Ward 11; Thomas J. Galvin, Jr., Ward 11; John J. Lamb, Ward 11; John Mogel, Ward 11; John Mitchell, Ward 11; Richard J. Bergen, Ward 12; Walter C. Farrell, Ward 12; Joseph Moore, Ward 12; Arthur Rabenovitz, Ward 12; Frances Sezal, Ward 12; Elenora E. Vincent, Ward 12; Henry Weiss, Ward 12; Ernest K. Williams, Ward 12; John W. Barry, Ward 13; Thomas P. Bohan, Ward 13; James J. Canavan, Ward 13; William Leo Carey, Ward 13; Katherine Clougherty, Ward 13; James R. Conlon, Ward 13; Arthur J. McNulty, Ward 13; Markor Aghajanian, Ward 14; Samuel H. Belin, Ward 14; Francis Black, Ward 14; William A. Dailey, Ward 14; Ralph Drucker, Ward 14; Jacob Herman, Ward 14; Mary McKinnon, Ward 14; Billy Stone, Ward 14; Francis W. Harkins, Ward 15; Harry Friedberg, Ward 15; Thomas H. Kiloynce, Ward 15; Mary T. Yout, Ward 15; Erhard Adler, Ward 16; James A. Bateman, Jr., Ward 16; Everett C. Dolan, Ward 16; Edward F. Doyle, Ward 16; Charles E. Edgerly, Ward 16; John J. Killion, Ward 16; John L. Maguire, Ward 16; John V. Roche, Ward 16; Deborah Camrelo, Ward 17; Wilmon B. Grant, Ward 17; Myer Kaplan, Ward 17; William A. McManus, Ward 17; Henrietta W. Ryan, Ward 17; Carl G. Storm, Ward 17; James E. Burns, Ward 18; Dorothy Corey, Ward 18; Joseph F. Flaherty, Ward 18; Edward G. Marshall, Ward 18; Peter W. McCallion, Ward 18; Robert L. Moore, Ward 18; Helen M. Roddy, Ward 18; Emmet R. Smith, Jr., Ward 18; Adolph P. Bartsch, Ward 19;

Edmund C. Burke, Ward 19; Dorothy F. Corry, Ward 19; Charles E. Donovan, Ward 19; Donald A. MacDonald, Ward 19; Robert E. MacWilliams, Ward 19; Stanislaus Walter McHowell, Ward 19; Ferdinand B. Moriarty, Ward 19; Joseph M. O'Hare, Ward 19; Richard W. Brooks, Ward 20; Joseph A. Colwell, Ward 20; Joseph D. Donovan, Ward 20; Edward C. Feeney, Ward 20; Perley C. Graves, Ward 20; Carl A. Raessler, Ward 20; Fred I. Johnson, Ward 20; Joseph S. Kennedy, Ward 20; Anna T. Mahoney, Ward 20; Richard W. Morgner, Ward 20; Mary G. O'Brien, Ward 20; Eugene E. Reilly, Ward 20; Karl H. Selander, Ward 20; Julia L. Walsh, Ward 20; Edmund C. Zerrien, Jr., Ward 20; Philip L. Bloomberg, Ward 21; Robert Reid, Ward 21; Carl Berg, Ward 22; Herbert P. Davis, Ward 22; Lorenzo Fiorentino, Ward 22; Henry Herrmann, Ward 22; Paul G. Kelleher, Ward 22; Alexander F. Lewis, Ward 22; James Molloy, Ward 22.

STATEMENT BY THE PRESIDENT.

As the result of the hearing held Friday, it was brought to our attention that there ought to be means of advising the public of hearings. The Chair would call your attention to the fact that citizen groups and taxpayers' groups who would have liked to have been at Friday's hearing were not aware of it.

I have sent a communication to the members of the Body to thank you for the cooperation extended thus far and urging you to make reports on all matters now pending before you in committee. It was the same, identical letter that went out to each member of the Council, and it urged on you again the desirability of establishing something which the Chair has desired and called to the attention of the Body as a whole and the Rules Committee, and that is, the setting of specific dates for hearings of specific committees, not only to encourage the full cooperation of the Council members, but to encourage more citizen participation.

The Chair is in hopes that all the members who serve as chairmen of committees will call together their committees for the purpose of acting on all matters before them, and if the absence of the rules does not make it mandatory to report within a specific time, there is no reason why, with the

cooperation of all the members of the Council, we could not clean up the calendar in the next couple of weeks, or at least give a report of the progress on these matters.

The Chair also wishes to state this was the due date for the report of certain committees, but in deference to Councillor Foley in his loss, as soon as the rest of the Council comes in, we will offer a resolution in behalf of all the members of the Council.

DEATH OF DISTRICT ATTORNEY WILLIAM J. FOLEY.

Coun. PIEMONTE, AHEARN, HAILER, HURLEY, JOYCE, KERRIGAN, WARD and WHITE offered the following:

Resolved, That the City Council of the City of Boston, in meeting assembled, hereby expresses its deep regret at the untimely passing of William J. Foley, District Attorney for Suffolk County, former member of the Massachusetts Senate, former member of the Massachusetts House of Representatives, former member of the Governor's Council, distinguished member of the Massachusetts Bar, and father of our colleague, City Councillor William J. Foley, Jr., and extends to his family its sincere sympathy and condolence in their sad bereavement.

The resolution was unanimously adopted, and a moment of silence was observed by the Council.

Coun. KERRIGAN moved as a further mark of respect for the memory of District Attorney William J. Foley that the Council do now adjourn. The motion was carried.

Adjourned at 2.51 P.M., to meet on Monday, December 8, 1952, 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 8, 1952.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President PIEMONTE in the chair. Absent, Councillor Ward.

The Reverend Lawrence P. Morrisroe, P.P., of Most Holy Redeemer Catholic Church, East Boston, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY REV. LAWRENCE P. MORRISROE.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

We pray Thee, O God of might, wisdom and justice, through Whom authority is rightly administered, laws are enacted and judgment decreed, to assist with Thy holy spirit of counsel and fortitude, this Council of the City of Boston; that their administrations may be conducted in righteousness and be eminently useful to all Thy people over whom they preside, by encouraging due respect for religion and virtue, by a faithful execution of the laws in justice and mercy, and by restraining vice and immorality. Let the light of Thy divine wisdom direct the deliberation of this Council, and shine forth in all the proceedings and laws framed for our rule and government, so that they may tend to the preservation of peace and the promotion of happiness in our city, and may enable the Council, by Thy powerful protection, to discharge the duties of their respective stations with honesty and ability. Amen.

Our Father, Who art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.

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:

Martin Greene, 26 Roseclair street, Roxbury, Weigher of Goods for term ending April 30, 1953.

Frederick W. Paine, 274 Meridian street, East Boston, Weigher of Coal for term ending April 30, 1953.

Severally referred to the Committee on Confirmations.

PROGRESS OF ROSLINDALE PARKING AREA.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 8, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Chairman of the Board of Real Estate Commissioners relative to your order of November 17, 1952, concerning the request that advice be given as to the present progress of the Roslindale parking area.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Board of Real Estate Commissioners,
December 1, 1952.

Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.
Subject: Council order of November 17, 1952, requesting that his Honor, the Mayor, instruct the Board of Real Estate Commissioners to

advise the Council as to the present progress of the Roslindale Square off-street parking area.

Dear Sir:

Since the date of the appropriation, August 5, 1952:

- (1) All titles have been checked.
- (2) Appraisals have been completed.
- (3) Plans and specifications have been drawn and approved.
- (4) All land takings have been made.
- (5) Occupants have been notified to quit and vacate the premises.

It is difficult to ascertain at this time when the project will be completed, because the occupants have not as yet moved from the premises.

When completed, the parking area will accommodate 115 cars.

Since the contract has not as yet been advertised for bids, I believe that it would be inadvisable at this time to give our engineer's estimate of cost of construction, because such information to a general contractor, if publicized, might tend to increase the cost, if the contractor had originally intended to bid a lesser amount. However, the estimated figure is prepared and is filed at the Office of the Board of Real Estate Commissioners.

The Board believes that the entire project should be completed at a figure slightly under \$75,000.

Very truly yours,

HERMAN CARP,
Chairman.

Placed on file.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

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

Claims.

Salvatore A. Celeste, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect at 1006 Bennington street, East Boston.

Frances A. Cole, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Federal street.

Herbert J. Collins, for compensation for damage to property at 19 Sherbrook street, during sidewalk installation.

Joseph H. Dashner, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Anthony DeVirgilio, for compensation for damage to property at 8 Lee Hill road, Roslindale, caused by break in water main.

Andrew Dutton Company, for compensation for damage to property at 60 Canal street, caused by break in water main.

Emmes Building Corporation, for compensation for damage to property at 1126-1144 Columbus avenue, caused by break in water main.

Richard A. Fitzgerald, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Water Division.

Robert T. Gilbody, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Mayor's Office.

Herbert P. Gillen, for compensation for damage to property at 1148 Columbus avenue, caused by break in water main.

Catherine Gillooly, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at Brookford and Rand streets.

Edward Gillooly, for compensation for injuries and damage to car caused by an alleged defect at Brookford and Rand streets.

Carl G. Goldstein, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Mary J. Hanley, for compensation for accident which occurred at Longfellow School.

Maud Hawker, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect near Winter Street subway exit.

Edward P. Hayes, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect at Moss Hill road.

Helene Hayes, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 480 Washington street.

James J. Hooley, for compensation for damage to car by city motor vehicle of Sanitary Division.

Joseph F. Jefferson, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Elmwood street, Roxbury.

Rae Lapuck, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Humboldt avenue.

Eva Levine, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 4 Havelock street.

Rose Lindman, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at Blue Hill avenue and Hiawatha road.

Mary A. Manning, for compensation for damage to property at 23 Sherbrook street, during construction of sidewalk.

Eileen G. McCarthy, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Auburn street, Charlestown.

Joseph B. McCarthy, for compensation for damage to property at 1163 Columbus avenue, caused by break in water main.

Mitchell's Restaurant (Sidney Hyman and Edward L. Perlis), for compensation for damage to property at 1154 Columbus avenue, caused by break in water main.

Samuel D. Morganelli, for compensation for damage to car by Fire Department truck.

Music Suppliers of New England, Inc., for compensation for damage to property at 1312 Tremont street, Roxbury, caused by defective water supply system.

Mrs. Joseph Nappier, for compensation for damage to property at 777 Parker street, Roxbury, caused by collapse of water boiler.

Albert L. O'Brien, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect in Overland street.

Alfred J. Orr, for compensation for damage to car caused by car of Printing Department.

Santo and Ida Ragagnin, for compensation for damage to property at 21 East Cottage street, caused by city men cutting down tree.

Jane B. Sands, for compensation for damage to car by police car.

Arthur Shea, for compensation for damage to property at 24 Sherbrook street during sidewalk installation.

Elizabeth V. Sheehan, to be reimbursed for expenses incurred at 63 Winthrop street, Charlestown, caused by leak in sewer.

Robert E. Stevens, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 39 Fort avenue, Roxbury.

M. Weisberg, for compensation for damage to property at 1152 Columbus avenue, caused by broken water main.

PERMIT FOR CHILDREN.

Petition for children under fifteen years of age to appear at places of public amusement:

Marion Boron, Jordan Hall, December 13.

Permit granted under usual conditions.

PETITIONS FOR ANNUITIES.

Petition of Elizabeth L. Barry to be paid an annuity on account of the death of her husband, Laurence D. Barry, late member of the Fire Department.

Petition of Mary A. O'Donnell to be paid an annuity on account of the death of her husband, Thomas W. O'Donnell, late member of the Police Department.

Severally referred to the Committee on Claims.

HEARING BEFORE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held on December 22, at 10 A.M., on rates and charges of the Eastern Massachusetts Street Railway Company.

Placed on file.

DISPOSITION OF M. T. A. FEDERAL TAX AWARD.

A communication was received from the City Council of Everett, transmitting copy of resolution adopted by that body, recommending that the entire sum received by the Metropolitan Transit Authority in a recent federal tax case be applied to the Authority's deficit.

The communication was referred to the Executive Committee.

ABSENCE OF MAYOR FROM CITY.

Notice was received from the Mayor of his absence from the city from November 28th to December 7th, inclusive.

Placed on file.

ELECTION OF ARCHBISHOP CUSHING AS VICE PRESIDENT OF BOSTON PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Notice was received from the Trustees of the Boston Public Library of the election of Archbishop Richard J. Cushing as vice president.

Placed on file.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS.

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

1. Report on petition (referred November 17) of John F. McGrall to be reimbursed as a result of execution issued against him on account of his acts as an employee of the Bridge and Ferry Division, Public Works Department—recommending passage of the accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of sixty-four dollars and fifty cents (\$64.50) be allowed and paid to John F. McGrall in reimbursement for amount of execution issued against him on account of his acts as an employee of the Bridge and Ferry Division, Public Works Department, said sum to be charged to the appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

2. Report on petition (referred November 24) of John J. Powers to be reimbursed as a result of an execution issued against him on account of his acts as an employee of the Police Department—recommending passage of the accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of two hundred thirty dollars and forty-seven cents (\$230.47) be allowed and paid to John J. Powers 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 appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

3. Report on petition (referred November 24) of John F. Rynne to be reimbursed as a result of an execution issued against him on account of his acts as a member of the Police Department—recommending passage of the accompanying order:

Ordered, That the sum of two hundred twenty-one dollars and twenty-six cents (\$221.26) be allowed and paid to John F. Rynne 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 appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

The reports were accepted, and the orders were severally passed.

4. Report on order passed October 27 for indemnification of William H. Halpin—recommending passage of the following order:

Ordered, That the order passed by the City Council on October 27, 1952, and approved by the Mayor on October 28, 1952, under the provisions of section 100 of chapter 41 of the General Laws upon petition of William H. Halpin, a ladderman in the Fire Department, be, and the same hereby is, rescinded.

Further ordered, That under the provisions of section 100 of chapter 41 of the General Laws, upon petition of William H. Halpin, a ladderman in the Fire Department, for indemnification for hospital, surgical, medical and nursing expenses incurred by him as a result of injuries received through no fault of his own, while in the performance of his duty on January 5, 1951, there be allowed and paid, as recommended by the Fire Commissioner and approved by the Corporation Council, to the Boston Firemen's Relief Fund the sum of six hundred twenty-nine and 15/100 dollars (\$629.15), said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF WILLIAM J. GINSBURG.

Coun. AHEARN 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 Elm Hill avenue and Hutchins street, Roxbury, in honor of William J. Ginsburg, who was killed in action March 7, 1945, in Germany.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

NAMING OF SQUARE IN HONOR OF GEORGE R. VISCONTE.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:

Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend naming of the square at the intersection of Porter and Chelsea streets, East Boston, in honor of S. Sgt. George R. Visconte, 49th Bomb. Squadron, Air Force who was killed in an airplane accident on November 6, 1952, while in the service of his country.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

EARLIER SUBMISSION OF PROPOSED BUDGET.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:

Whereas, Chapter 3, section 23 of the Revised Ordinances of 1947 provides that the department heads shall annually, on or before the first day of November, send to the Mayor an estimate in detail of the appropriations required for such department for the next financial year, and an estimate of the income of such department during said year; and

Whereas, The fiscal year starts on January 1 of each year; and

Whereas, It is conducive to good administration to give the proposed budget early consideration; now therefore be it

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to send to the City Council a copy of the proposed budget as soon as possible.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

PERSONNEL REQUIREMENTS OF DEPARTMENTS.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request the department heads to forward to the Council the following information:

1. The number of permanent employees proposed for the 1953 budget.
2. The number of permanent employees in said department during 1952.
3. The number of temporary employees proposed for the 1953 budget.
4. The number of temporary employees in said department during 1952.
5. The number of provisional employees proposed for the 1953 budget.
6. The number of provisional employees in said department during 1952.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

INFORMATION RE TRANSFERS OF APPROPRIATIONS AND NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:

Ordered, That each department head be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to furnish the City Council with answers to the following questions:

1. What transfers of appropriations were made during 1952?
2. From what items were said transfers made?
3. How many employees were there in your department as compared with the previous year?
4. If there was an increase in the number of employees, explain the increase, showing the number of temporary employees and the number of provisional employees.

And that such information be given on or before January 10, 1953, for the full year of 1952.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

PAYMENT OF SUM OF MONEY TO LAURENCE H. BANKS.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:

Ordered, That under the provisions of chapter 500 of the Acts of 1952, there be allowed and paid to Laurence H. Banks the sum of four thousand dollars (\$4,000) for reasonable counsel fees and legal expenses incurred by him in securing the issuance of a certificate of election as the duly elected councillor from Ward 9 in the City Council of Boston for the years 1950 and 1951; said sum to be charged to the appropriation for Executions of Court, Damage Claims and Reimbursements.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

PEDESTRIAN LIGHTS AT BEACON STREET AND RESERVOIR ROAD, WARD 21.

Coun. AHEARN, for Coun. Ward, submitted the following:

Ordered, That the Boston Traffic Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install push-button traffic lights at the intersection of Beacon street and Reservoir road, in Ward 21, Brighton.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LICENSES.

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

1. Report on notice (referred October 20) from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing on petition of Eastern Massachusetts Street Railway Company for modification of restriction for operation of motor vehicles between Boston and Fall River—that same be placed on file.

2. Report on notice (referred October 27) from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held on petition of the Western Massachusetts Dump Truck Owners Association for minimum tonnage rates—that same be placed on file.

3. Report on notice (referred November 10) from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing on petition of the MTA for exemption from zoning law for construction of garage at Day Square Station, East Boston—that same be placed on file.

4. Report on notice (referred November 10) from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing on rates and charges of New England Transportation Company—that same be placed on file.

The reports were accepted, and the several notices were placed on file.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFIRMATIONS.

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

1. Report on appointments by the Mayor (referred November 24) of Samuel Abraham Schneider, Norman L. Munson, and Baron H. Martin, as constables with authority to serve civil process upon filing of bond for term ending April 30, 1953—recommending that appointments be confirmed.

2. Report on appointment by the Mayor (referred November 24) of William A. Barber, and Stephen C. O'Brien, as Weighers of Coal for term ending April 30, 1953—recommending that appointments be confirmed.

The reports were accepted and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councillors Ahearn and Kerrigan. Whole number of ballots 6, yeas 6, and the appointments were confirmed.

AMENDMENT TO COUNTY CLASSIFICATION AND COMPENSATION PLAN.

Coun. AHEARN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Classification and Compensation Plans and Rules for Officers and Employees of Suffolk County be, and hereby are, amended as follows:

That the Classification Grade of Parole Agent be changed from Grade 17 to Grade 20.

Referred to the Budget Commissioner for report.

**"STOP" SIGNS AT HIGH AND WALKER
STREETS, CHARLESTOWN.**

Coun. HURLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Boston Traffic Commission be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install "Stop" signs at the junction of High and Walker streets, Charlestown.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

RECESS.

On motion of Councillor White, the Council voted at 2.33 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 PIEMONTE at 4.08 p.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

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

Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred October 27) transferring appropriation of \$14,800 to the Assessing Department—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed, yeas 7, nays 0:

Yeas—Councillors Ahearn, Foley, Hurley, Joyce, Kerrigan, Piemonte, White—7.

Nays—0.

Report on order (referred March 19, 1951) on proposed appropriation for incinerator in Brighton—recommending reference to the Committee on Appropriations and Finance.

The report was accepted, and the order was referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Finance.

Report on order (referred August 21, 1950) acceptance of chapter 538 of the Acts of 1950, temporary minor repairs on private ways in certain cases—recommending reference to the Committee on Ordinances.

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

Report on message of Mayor (referred October 6) vetoing order for payment of annuity to Mary H. Carroll—recommending reference to the Committee on Claims.

Report on message of the Mayor (referred October 6) vetoing order for payment of annuity to Elsie L. Sullivan—recommending reference to the Committee on Claims.

Report on message of the Mayor (referred October 6) vetoing order for payment of annuity to Katherine M. Russell—recommending reference to the Committee on Claims.

The reports were accepted, and the veto messages were severally referred to the Committee on Claims.

Report on order (referred November 13, 1950) that Election Commissioners appear before Executive Committee re improvement of conditions for conduct of future elections—recommending no further action necessary.

Report on order (referred May 21, 1951) playground established by the White Fund on Roxbury and King streets, Ward 9—recommending no further action necessary.

Report on order (referred May 21, 1951) to improve grounds at Carter Field—recommending no further action necessary.

Report on order (referred April 30, 1951) reconsideration by Housing Authority of rent increases in low-rent housing projects—recommending no further action necessary.

Report on order (referred August 27, 1951) improved car service for people attending services at Mission Church—recommending no further action necessary.

Report on order (referred March 12, 1951) legislation concerning additional surety on bonds of contractors bidding on contracts—recommending no further action necessary.

Report on resolution (referred March 12, 1951) endorsing Senate Bill 268 re recovery of certain stolen, lost or strayed animals—recommending no further action necessary.

Report on order (referred January 8, 1951) to place Suffolk County jail employees on forty-hour week—recommending no further action necessary.

Report on order (referred January 30, 1950) City Council to determine the duly elected Councillor from Ward 9 for the years 1950-1951—recommending no further action necessary.

Report on order (referred March 12, 1951) requesting appropriation for Amateur Radio Communications Division of Civil Defense—recommending no further action necessary.

Report on order (referred October 29, 1951) for improvements at the Charlestown housing project—recommending no further action necessary.

Report on order (referred August 6, 1951) install outside drying facilities at Old Harbor housing project in South Boston—recommending no further action necessary.

Report on resolution (referred September 25, 1950) use of voting machines in past primary election—recommending no further action necessary.

Report on order (referred March 5, 1951) that members of Housing Authority appear before Executive Committee meeting on March 12, 1951—recommending no further action necessary.

Report on order (referred June 19, 1950) naming of playground at Washington street and Gallivan Boulevard in honor of John J. Cheever, Jr.—recommending no further action necessary.

Report on order (referred May 28, 1951) re transfer of Chief of Fire Prevention Bureau—recommending no further action necessary.

Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred May 28, 1951) for transfer of appropriation of \$10,000 to the Finance Commission—recommending no further action necessary.

Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred December 18, 1950) appropriating \$100,000 from parking meter fees to be expended by Real Estate Commission for acquisition of off-street parking area and facilities—recommending no further action necessary.

Report on resolution (referred December 11, 1950) re construction of new City Hall—recommending no further action necessary.

Report on message of the Mayor and two orders (referred December 11, 1950): for transfer of appropriation of \$7,000 to City Hospital, and transfer of \$8,000 to Conventions and Entertainment of Distinguished Guests—recommending no further action necessary.

Report on order (referred August 6, 1951) to reimburse City Councillor Laurence H. Banks for legal expenses incurred by him to be certified as member of the Council—recommending no further action necessary.

Report on order (referred May 14, 1951) to delay off-street parking construction in Copley Square—recommending no further action necessary.

Report on order (referred May 21, 1951) that Board of Election Commissioners appear before Executive Committee with reference to dates of primary and election—recommending no further action necessary.

Report on order (referred October 23, 1950) asking collection of \$2,511 from Boston Chamber of Commerce spent in connection with Golden Jubilee—recommending no further action necessary.

Report on order (referred October 29, 1951) to paint elevated uprights on Main street, Charlestown—recommending no further action necessary.

Report on resolution (referred July 14) commending City Council Attaché John L. Maloney—recommending no further action necessary.

Report on message of the Mayor and communication from the Corporation Counsel (referred June 16) re purchase of land for local off-street parking purposes—recommending no further action necessary.

The reports were severally accepted.

Report on message of the Mayor and communication from the City Clerk (referred November 10) re answers to certain questions relative to employees' names, addresses, salaries, job classifications, etc.—recommending that same be placed on file.

Report on message of the Mayor (referred May 12) vetoing order accepting chapter 261 of the Acts of 1952 re presumption that death of Manassah E. Bradley, Jr., occurred in the line of duty—recommending that message and order be placed on file.

Report on message of the Mayor (referred October 20) relative to abatement of all real estate taxes to certain persons over sixty-five—recommending that same be placed on file.

Report on notice (referred June 16) of hearing before the Department of Public Utilities on petition of the Worcester Gas Light Company for increase in capital stock—recommending that same be placed on file.

Report on notice (referred June 16) of hearing before Department of Public Utilities on petition of the Boston Consolidated Gas Company for amendment of contract for purchase of gas from the Eastern Gas and Fuel Associates—recommending that same be placed on file.

Report on message of the Mayor (referred November 10) re group insurance plan for municipal employees—recommending that same be placed on file.

Report on message of the Mayor (referred October 27) re information from City Auditor as to payroll of city and county—recommending that same be placed on file.

Report on message of the Mayor (referred July 17) relative to progress made in Urban Redevelopment Division of Housing Authority—recommending that same be placed on file.

Report of the Finance Commission (referred October 20) re duties of the City Planning Board—recommending that same be placed on file.

Report on message of the Mayor (referred June 9) urging passage of order for transfer of \$450,000 from parking meter proceeds to establish off-street parking areas in suburban shopping centers—recommending that same be placed on file.

Report on notice (referred October 20) of organization of City Planning Board—recommending that same be placed on file.

Report on message of the Mayor (referred July 17) vetoing order for appropriation of \$75,000 for off-street parking in Roslindale area—recommending that same be placed on file.

The reports were severally accepted, and the various messages, notices, and orders were severally placed on file.

Report on order (referred January 8, 1951) relative to accommodations in the various housing projects—recommending passage of the following order:

Ordered, That the Boston Housing Authority be requested to attend the next meeting of the Executive Committee of the City Council for the purpose of explaining the method, standard of qualifications, etc., used in tenant selection.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

Report on message of Mayor and order (referred October 9, 1950) for printing of 125,000

copies of folder entitled "Calendar of Events in Boston Fall-Winter 1950-51"—recommending that no further action be taken on the order and requesting passage of the following report:

That the Executive Committee report no further action necessary on the order authorizing the Superintendent of Printing to print 125,000 copies of a folder entitled "Calendar of Events in Boston Fall-Winter 1950-51," be reported no further action, and be it further

Reported, That the Auditor be advised of the desirability of having this item charged to Division of Public Celebrations, and further

That the practice of ordering printing or making other expenditures prior to the authorization or appropriation by the City Council be halted.

The report was accepted.

Report on order (referred October 23, 1950) requesting the Public Works Commissioner, Health Commissioner, and Corporation Counsel to appear before the Executive Committee to discuss the proposed contract for the purchase of garbage—recommending passage of the accompanying order:

Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner, Health Commissioner, and Corporation Counsel be requested to appear before the Executive Committee to furnish details as to present contracts for the collection of refuse and garbage, especially on the matter of the advisability of having entered into these contracts for a term of more than one year without holding public hearings thereon contrary to the provisions of our city ordinances.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFIRMATIONS.

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

1. Report on notice (referred September 22) of appointment of Nicholas C. Crossen, Jr., as Collector of Milk Samples (provisional)—that same be placed on file.

2. Report on notice (referred October 6) of appointment of Daniel O. Steele as temporary First Assistant Assessor—that same be placed on file.

3. Report on notice (referred September 22) of appointment of Bernard F. Shadrawy as temporary First Assistant Assessor—that same be placed on file.

4. Report on appointment (referred September 22) of John F. Doolin as Inspector of Housing and Sanitation in Health Department—that same be placed on file.

5. Report on appointment (referred September 22) of Paul Brennan as Inspector of Housing and Sanitation, Health Department—that same be placed on file.

The reports were accepted, and the notices were severally placed on file.

6. Report on order (referred December 17, 1951) for investigation of certain actions of Constable Ligums—recommending no further action necessary.

The report was accepted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC HOUSING.

Coun. AHEARN, for the Committee on Public Housing, submitted the following:

Report on order (referred February 25) that the Housing Authority be requested to provide adequate low-rent housing for officers and men of armed forces stationed in Boston as provided under the so-called Wherry Act—recommending no further action necessary.

The report was accepted.

Adjourned at 4.31 P.M., on motion of Councillor Kerrigan, to meet on Monday, December 15, 1952, 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 15, 1952.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President PIEMONTE in the chair and all the members present.

The Reverend Timothy C. Gleason of St. Anthony's Catholic Church, Allston, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY REV. TIMOTHY C. GLEASON.

Let us put ourselves in the presence of the Almighty God.

O Almighty God, our Father, bless this occasion and the purpose for which we are gathered here. In and of ourselves, we can do nothing, but by Thy aid all we desire and must do will become possible and will be acceptable even unto Thee. Be Thou, then, the author and finisher of our judgment. Suffer us not to disturb the order of justice, for Thou lovest equity in all things. Let not partiality or greed for human respect bend our judgment, but, rather, by Thy grace may we all be one with Thee and never forsake Thy truth, for truth is but one as Thou art, too, but one. May our judgments never be at variance with Thy truth, and when judgment is passed upon us and revelation is made to all men of what we do here, may Thy commendation be of us, "Well done, good and faithful servants."

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the flag.

APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR.

Subject to confirmation by the Council, the Mayor submitted the appointment of Allen F. Sweeney, 10 Portland road, Braintree, as weigher of goods for term ending April 30, 1953.

Referred to the Committee on Confirmations.

CONTRACTS FOR COLLECTION OF REFUSE AND GARBAGE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 15, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Health Commissioner relative to your order of December 10, 1952, requesting an appearance before the Executive Committee in order to answer questions about the collection of refuse.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Health Department, December 12, 1952.
Mr. Thomas G. J. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Mr. Shannon:
This will acknowledge your communication of December 10, 1952, enclosing City Council order of December 8, requesting an appearance before the Executive Committee of the Public Works Commissioner, the Health Commissioner, and the Corporation Counsel, to answer questions concerning the collection of refuse.

According to the order, it would appear that the members of the Executive Committee are concerned with details as to the present contracts for collection of refuse and garbage.

The Boston Health Department enters into no contracts with individuals, concerns, or corporations regarding the collection of rubbish and garbage. However, I shall be very willing to appear before the committee and furnish any available information.

Yours respectfully,
JOHN H. CAULEY, M.D.,
Health Commissioner.

Placed on file.

RESULTS OF SAILING PROGRAM.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 15, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Chairman of the Park Department relative to your order of November 17, 1952, requesting a report on the future possibilities of the sailing program at Jamaica Pond, Bayswater section of East Boston, and the Pleasure Bay section of South Boston.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, December 12, 1952.
Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

The Board of Park Commissioners at a regular meeting held in the Park Department office on Thursday, December 11, among other matters discussed the order submitted to the City Council by Councillor William J. Foley under date of November 17, 1952, in which he requests consideration of the possibilities of further development of the sailing program at Jamaica Pond and an extension of the program to the Pleasure Bay section, South Boston, and Bayswater section, East Boston.

Since the receipt of this order from the office of the Mayor, reports relative to the further development of the program have been submitted to this office by Mr. Joseph Lee, Park Commissioner, and the originator of the program, and by Mr. Leon Manfredi, the boating manager. Both reports, in general, are in agreement on the future development of the boating program.

I will treat the three locations mentioned in Councillor Foley's order as briefly as possible.

Jamaica Pond Program.

It is well to note that in 1952 the Jamaica Pond program was a "borrowed" one, the boats and other equipment being taken from the main base of operations on the Charles River. Because it was a borrowed program, it led to a decrease in the facilities at the Charles River, with the result that many of the participants at the Charles River were disappointed on many occasions during the recent summer months because sufficient boats were not available for their use.

The requirements for the Jamaica Pond program for 1953 are estimated as follows:

10 sailing hulls at \$330	\$3,300
10 sets of sails, spars, and inside fittings at \$170	1,700
Total for new sailboats	\$5,000
A new landing float, with fittings and moorings	2,000
Contingent sum for unforeseen alterations of new fleet	700
Outboard motor for emergency purposes — attached to boat	300
Total capital outlay	\$8,000
Salaries for retention of last summer's staff	2,000
Grand total for 1953 at Jamaica Pond	\$10,000

The Board of Park Commissioners requests that your Honor give serious consideration to the inclusion of this amount in the 1953 budget.

Pleasure Bay.

When this particular location becomes landlocked by the completion of the dike now under construction, it will offer a suitable water area

for a public sailing program, much the same as at the Charles River Basin and Jamaica Pond. It might be stated here that this particular area is under the jurisdiction of the Metropolitan District Commission and if the City of Boston were to develop a sailing program in this location, permission must be received from that commission.

There is some question as to when this dike will be completed. Further appropriations under chapters 466 and 604 of the Acts of 1952 must be made by the Legislature in order to complete the work. When completed, the area will be primarily for swimming. A swimming and sailing program in the same area would be rather dangerous, and it would be necessary to set aside a certain section exclusively for sailing.

In view of the fact that no indication has been given as to the time of completion of the dike, we feel that we must go slow in the development of a sailing program at Pleasure Bay. It is probable that the program will have to wait until at least 1954, provided the dike and other facilities have been completed at that time.

Bayswater Section, East Boston.

The development of a sailing program at this location would no doubt be a great and welcome improvement in this section of our city. However, there are many obstacles to overcome. At this location you have a tide, a tide that grounds boats out on extensive flats. Because of the tide conditions, it would necessitate an extensive pier to be built on piles out over the flats, to connect with a gangway with a float moored to the rise and fall in sea water still deep enough at lowest ebb.

Both the South Boston and the East Boston suggested programs offer some of the same considerations, in that the proposed sailing area at East Boston is further from the populous part of East Boston at Jeffries Point and adjacent dock sides than the Charles River Basin is. We have also the same consideration here as in South Boston, in that the suggested location would be adjacent to the swimming beach.

When the state completes the construction of the bathhouse and the beach in East Boston, we will be in better position to analyze the possibility of extending the program to that district. Having in mind the completion of the bathhouse and beach by the Commonwealth, it would appear that the suggested East Boston sailing program cannot be established until 1955.

The principal sailing program, the Charles River program, is the key, the hub, the heart of the entire undertaking. This is the program that should branch out to other sections as we are able to obtain finances to cover cost of equipment and personnel. This is the base where we must train personnel before the program can be extended, where we must obtain instructors who understand all phases of sailing, who are expert swimmers, and who are able to give first aid. We must never be placed in the position where because of untrained personnel we might lose the life of one single child.

The Board of Park Commissioners, under whose jurisdiction this program is operated, are particularly proud of this recreational activity. It is one that is carried along with a minimum of expense and one in which many children receive training in a healthful outdoor recreation. Boston is one of the few cities in the country operating such a program. We hope to be able to continue it on the same high plane as in the past, but, as of today, we must move slowly but confidently in all our actions with regard to an extension of the boating program.

Respectfully submitted,
FRANK R. KELLEY, Chairman.

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, December 15, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Chairman of the Board of Recreation relative to your order of November 17, 1952, concerning the request for a report on the future possibilities of the sailing program at Jamaica Pond, Bayswater section of East Boston, and the Pleasure Bay section of South Boston.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Board of Recreation.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Your Honor:

Pursuant to your communication bearing date of November 19, 1952, directing this Board to evaluate the recreational results and future possibilities of the sailing program at Jamaica Pond, and to further determine the desirability of expanding a similar sailing program to the Pleasure Bay section of South Boston and the Bayswater section of East Boston, with facilities now available, together with the estimated expense now involved, we submit the following:

Jamaica Pond Sailing in 1952.

The sailing program at Jamaica Pond was started last year on an experimental basis, with six sailboats borrowed from the Park Department's sailing program on the Charles River Basin.

The landing used by a lessee of the Park Department was utilized, with a staff of four temporary employees working in two shifts from 10 A.M. to 8.30 P.M. on weekdays and from 1 P.M. to 8.30 P.M. on Saturdays and Sundays. The number of registered participants, boys and girls, ages twelve to eighteen, were 386, and the program was conducted from June 25, 1952, to September 10, 1952, the total cost in 1952 being \$2,000, which was expended entirely on salaries.

The experiment exceeded all expectations of even its most enthusiastic supporters, and twice the number of boats could have been very easily used, although it would not have been necessary to increase the staff since they could have handled double the enrolled membership without any difficulty.

The taking from the program at the Charles River Basin of six sailboats obviously put a crimp into the program there; and it is, therefore, recommended that these boats be returned to that program and that ten new ones for the Jamaica Pond program be provided at an estimated cost of \$5,000.

The difficulties in attempting to operate a large sailing program from a landing already leased to a private citizen for the rental of rowboats, while not insurmountable, nevertheless do not allow for the greatest efficiency and safety; and it is, therefore, recommended that a new and separate landing, exclusively for the use of the sailing program, be constructed at an estimated cost of \$3,000. This cost, together with new sailboats at an estimated cost of \$5,000 and the re-employment of last summer's temporary staff at \$2,000, makes an estimated total of \$10,000 for a sailing program for 1953 at Jamaica Pond.

Pleasure Bay Causeway.

Under chapter 604 of the Acts of 1952, Item 7686-01, as authorized by chapter 466 of the Acts of 1952, a causeway has been constructed from City Point to Head Island, and a proposed dike yet to be constructed is to run from Head Island to Castle Island with the relocation outside of Pleasure Bay at the point of Castle Island of the Navy Pier. The work on this dike has not been commenced, nor is it contemplated that it will be commenced in the near future, and it is highly unlikely that it will be completed during the calendar year of 1953.

It should further be pointed out that, when the area is completed, it will be under the jurisdiction of the Metropolitan District Commission and that the City of Boston may only conduct a sailing program on it by permission of that commission.

The primary purpose of the Pleasure Bay Causeway is for swimming, and, since swimming and sailing do not mix, it will be necessary to construct a float or landing away from the swimming section which would be impossible until the proposed dike is completed. When this is completed, and if the MDC will grant authority, we recommend that a sailing program patterned after the Park Department program on the Charles River Basin and the Jamaica Pond program be instituted. The net cost will be approximately the same as that of Jamaica Pond for substantially the same program. It should be noted that at low tide this area contains one hundred acres with a mean low water mark of about seven feet, which will be entirely enclosed, and that it will be impossible for sailboats to be blown out to sea. The tidal effect will be so negligible as to not warrant our consideration.

Bayswater Section, East Boston.

This represents a somewhat different proposition from the Charles River Basin, Jamaica Pond, and Pleasure Bay, because of the tide and because of the fact that it will be possible for boats to be blown out to sea, there being no sea wall or causeway. Again, there is the conflict with swimming, because this new development is primarily a swimming beach, and it will be necessary to construct a float or landing away from the swimmers. This float presents considerably more engineering problems than the kind of float which would be required in the other three areas, because it has to allow for the rise and fall of the tides.

At the present moment, the contract for the building of the bathhouse on this bathing beach has not been let by the Commonwealth because of the inability to secure federal approval for the use of steel, but it is anticipated that this approval will come soon, and it is hoped that the bathhouse will be ready for the summer season of 1953. The contract for the pedestrian overpass to the beach has been let, construction has started, and that will be ready, without any doubt, by next summer.

Because of the problems presented by the open water, a larger staff will probably be necessary, and a substantial power rescue boat should be an essential part of the equipment. It is estimated that to build a proper float it will cost \$50,000; a power rescue boat will cost about \$2,000; salaries for a larger staff would come to about \$3,000; ten sailboats would cost about \$5,000; with an aggregate cost for the first year of about \$60,000. The Board recommends that, if the bathhouse is completed for the summer of 1953, such a program be instituted in the Bayswater section of East Boston.

An Evaluation of the Sailing Program.

The Park Department spends annually about \$600,000 for playgrounds, which would mean an average of about \$6,000 apiece for the one hundred playgrounds of the department, and this does not include the additional cost for salaries of temporary play leaders furnished from the School Department budget. Dollar for dollar, the recreational value of the several proposed sailing playgrounds is as great or greater than the play fields ashore; for, once established, the Charles River Basin program, with an enrollment of 616 boys and girls in an area of about 260 acres (between Harvard and Longfellow Bridges), the Jamaica Pond program, with nearly 400 members and a potential membership of considerably more in a 60-acre area, and the East Boston site, in a section certainly as large as Charles River Basin, with a potential membership as great as that program, and Pleasure Bay's one hundred acres, with a potential membership equally great, could be operated at an average cost of between \$2,500 and \$3,500 each.

In addition to the large number of participants, there are the thousands of spectators who, judging from the enthusiastic response of those in the Jamaica Plain area, enjoy the thrilling sights of colored sails on the water very much indeed. We know of no recreational activity which has greater challenge and requires the exercise of more responsibility from the participant than sailing, and we can think of no better way for young Bostonians to spend their leisure hours; and we call attention to the favorable international publicity that has been accorded this city because of its recreational farsightedness in establishing public sailing playgrounds.

Yours respectfully,
ALBERT WEST, Chairman.

Severally referred to the Committee on Public Services and Recreation.

ORDINANCE RE SALARIES OF CERTAIN OFFICIALS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 15, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I recommend to your Honorable Body the adoption of the ordinance transmitted herewith, which would amend section 5 of chapter 3 of the Revised Ordinances of 1947, fixing the salaries of certain officials in the service of the city. I further recommend to your Honorable Body the adoption of the order annexed to the communication from the Budget Commissioner also transmitted here-

with, which order would strike from the Classification and Compensation Plans for Suffolk County all reference to the County Treasurer, the County Auditor, and the Deputy County Auditor.

The Budget Commissioner's communication would appear to state quite adequately the reasons for amending the County Classification and Compensation Plans. The purpose of the proposed ordinance is, generally speaking, to conform the salary ordinance it amends with the City and County Compensation Plans and also with existing statute law. More specifically, what the proposed ordinance does is this:

1. It leaves out of the present ordinance the Mayor and City Councillors, whose salaries, until different salaries are fixed in accordance with General Laws (Ter. Ed.) chapter 39, section 6A, as inserted by St. 1952, chapter 259, section 1, are fixed by St. 1948, chapter 452, sections 13A and 16, as appearing in St. 1951, chapter 376, section 1.

2. It also omits from the present ordinance subordinates whose salaries are, under St. 1885, chapter 266, section 6, fixed by their respective department heads. The subordinates so omitted are the Assistant City Clerk, the engineers in charge of the several divisions of the Public Works Department, and the Chief Deputy and other Deputy Sealers of Weights and Measures, all of whom hold civil service positions coming within the City Classification and Compensation Plans.

3. It brings under the present ordinance, as authorized by St. 1951, chapter 633, sections 1 and 2, the Chairman of the Board of Real Estate Commissioners and the Auctioneer in the Real Estate Department and, as authorized by St. 1952, chapter 212, sections 1, 2, and 3, the Board of Appeal, the Board of Examiners, and the Board of Examiners of Gasfitters.

4. It assigns, as required by General Laws (Ter. Ed.) chapter 31, section 2A, clause b, an appropriate compensation grade for the Deputy Assessors, the Assistant Assessors, and the Auctioneer in the Real Estate Department, so that they may get the benefit of the City Classification and Compensation Plans.

5. It makes no change in the salaries of the City Auditor, the Corporation Counsel, the Fire Commissioner, the Commissioner of Public Works, or the Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Statistics Department; but it suitably adjusts the salaries of the other department heads appointed by the Mayor so as to align them with salaries payable under the City Compensation Plan.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston.

Nineteen Hundred and Fifty-two.

An Ordinance Concerning the Salaries of Certain Officials.

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 5, as amended, and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECT. 5. Holders of the following offices shall receive the annual salaries respectively set against such offices, which salaries shall, except as otherwise provided by ordinance, be in full for all services rendered to the city and county, shall be apportionable in the event of service for only part of a year, and shall be subject to deduction for any and all sums due to the city or county from such office holder:

1. The chairman of the board of assessors, ten thousand five hundred dollars; and the other four members of said board, seventy-five hundred dollars each.

2. The city auditor, twelve thousand five hundred dollars.

3. The budget commissioner, ninety-five hundred dollars.

4. The building commissioner, eleven thousand dollars.

5. The city clerk, nine thousand dollars.

6. The clerk of committees of the city council, seven thousand and sixty dollars; the assistant clerk of committees, fifty-four hundred and sixty dollars; and the two secretaries in the clerk of committees department, thirty-eight hundred and sixty dollars each.

7. The city collector, ten thousand five hundred dollars.

8. The corporation counsel, twelve thousand five hundred dollars.
9. The chairman of the board of election commissioners, eighty-five hundred dollars; and the other three members of said board, seventy-five hundred dollars each.
10. The fire commissioner, twelve thousand dollars.
11. The health commissioner, ten thousand five hundred dollars.
12. The commissioner of institutions, ninety-five hundred dollars.
13. The city messenger, seven thousand and sixty dollars; the assistant city messenger, forty-eight hundred and sixty dollars; the second assistant city messenger, thirty-eight hundred and sixty dollars; the document clerk, forty-three hundred and sixty dollars; the assistant document clerk, thirty-five hundred and sixty dollars; and the two stenographer-clerks in the city messenger department, thirty-five hundred and sixty dollars each.
14. The chairman of the board of park commissioners, ten thousand five hundred dollars.
15. The penal institutions commissioner, eighty-five hundred dollars.
16. The superintendent of printing, nine thousand dollars.
17. The superintendent of public buildings, eighty-five hundred dollars.
18. The commissioner of public works, twelve thousand dollars.
19. The chairman of the board of real estate commissioners, eighty-five hundred dollars.
20. The city registrar, eight thousand dollars.
21. The chairman of the board of trustees of the statistics department, forty-seven hundred and sixty dollars.
22. The chairman of the board of street commissioners, eighty-five hundred dollars; and the other two members of said board, seventy-five hundred dollars each.
23. The superintendent of supplies, ninety-five hundred dollars.
24. The chairman of the Boston traffic commission, ninety-five hundred dollars.
25. The city treasurer, ten thousand five hundred dollars.
26. The director of veterans' services and soldiers' relief commissioner, eighty-five hundred dollars.
27. The sealer of weights and measures, seven thousand dollars.

Each member of the board of appeal shall receive for every day or part thereof of actual service twenty-five dollars; but in no event shall any member of said board receive in any one year more than thirty-five hundred dollars in the aggregate for services rendered by him under the building code and the zoning law. Each member of the board of examiners, and the appointive member of the board of examiners of gasfitters, shall receive for every day or part thereof of actual service fifteen dollars, but in no event more than fifteen hundred dollars in any one year.

The deputy assessors shall be compensated as if they held an office allocated to Grade No. 30 of the compensation plan from time to time in effect for Suffolk County; and the assistant assessors shall be compensated as if they held an office allocated to Grade No. 15 of said compensation plan; and the auctioneer in the real estate department shall be compensated as if he held a position allocated to Grade No. 30 of said compensation plan.

SECT. 2. The provisions of section one of this ordinance relating to the deputy assessors, the assistant assessors, and the auctioneer in the real estate department shall take effect as of April 2, 1952. The provisions of said section one relating to the members of the board of appeal, the board of examiners, and the board of examiners of gasfitters shall take effect on January 1, 1953. The other provisions of said section one shall take effect on December 31, 1952.

Referred to the Committee on Ordinances.

APPROPRIATION FROM PARKMAN FUND INCOME.

The following was received:

City of Boston.
Office of the Mayor, December 15, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of the attached communication from the Board of Park Commissioners, requesting

the appropriation of \$15,593.82 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 1952 budget estimates of the personal service requirements of the Park Department included an estimate of the total income of \$183,000 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 \$15,593.82, the accrued income now available from the Parkman Fund, and respectfully recommend its immediate passage by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Park Department, December 8, 1952.
Hon. John B. Hynes,
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 \$15,593.82, 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>\$15,593 82</u>
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When making up the budget estimates for the year 1952, a sum equal to the total yearly income of the George F. Parkman Fund was deducted from Item 100, Permanent Employees, with the understanding that this deduction was to be replaced by the total yearly income of said Parkman Fund for 1952, to be transferred as it accrued from time to time during the year to the regular maintenance appropriation of the Park Department.

Respectfully yours,
FRANK E. KELLEY, Chairman.

Ordered, That the sum of fifteen thousand five hundred ninety three and 82/100 dollars (\$15,593.82) 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>\$15,593 82</u>
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Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Finance.

REPEAL OF COUNTY CLASSIFICATION PLAN AFFECTING CERTAIN COUNTY OFFICERS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Budget Department, December 15, 1952.
To the Mayor and City Council.
Gentlemen:

The City Treasurer, the City Auditor, and the Deputy City Auditor perform, by virtue of their several offices, the functions of County Treasurer, County Auditor, and Deputy County Auditor, respectively. Under an ordinance being recommended by the Mayor to the City Council this day, the salary payable to the City Treasurer, as well as that payable to the City Auditor, shall be "in full for all services rendered to the city and county." The salary payable to the Deputy City Auditor likewise covers his service to both city and county. See Rule 3 of the Rules for Administering the City Compensation Plan. In the circumstances, continued reference in the County Classification and Compensation Plans to the offices of County Treasurer, County Auditor, and Deputy County Auditor is apt to lead to misunderstanding and confusion. Accordingly, I recommend the passage of the annexed order, which would repeal the

County Plans insofar as they relate to the County Treasurer, the County Auditor, and the Deputy County Auditor.

Respectfully,
JOHN A. SULLIVAN,
Budget Commissioner.

Ordered, That the Classification and Compensation Plans for the Officers and Employees of Suffolk County, as annexed to the order passed by the City Council on November 24, 1952, and approved by the Mayor on November 25, 1952, be, and the same hereby are, repealed insofar, but insofar only, as they relate to the County Treasurer, the County Auditor, and the Deputy County Auditor.
Referred to the Committee on Ordinances.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

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

Claims.

Clara A. Adams, for compensation for damage to car by city car.

Frances Beckwith, for compensation for damage to clothing caused by paint on sidewalk on Dartmouth street.

Velma Blocklinger, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Providence street.

Boston Federal Savings and Loan Association, for compensation for damage to property at 30 Federal street, caused by broken water main.

Edwina E. DeVoto, to be reimbursed for expenses incurred in making repairs to water pipes at 20 Winthrop street, Roxbury.

Domenica DiGirolamo, for compensation for injuries caused by negligent treatment of hand at City Hospital.

Bernard L. Donovan, Jr., for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect in Burton street, Brighton.

Francis R. Drake, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Jacob Dubin, for compensation for damage to property at 305-309A Warren street, Roxbury, caused by broken water main.

Edna L. Gilbert, for compensation for damage to car by snowplow.

Roy J. Gillis, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Sanitary Division.

William J. Grady, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

Paul J. McCarthy, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Institutions Department.

Alexander N. Morrison, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him on account of his acts as employee of Fire Department.

Francis J. O'Brien, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Falmouth street.

Oriel Parlor Frame Company, for compensation for damage to property as result of negligence of city agents.

Abraham, Saul, and Jacob Palder, for compensation for damage to property at 1207 Columbus avenue, caused by break in water main.

Joseph H. Sanger, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Park Department.

Thomas F. Scalli, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Irving P. Seefriedt, for compensation for damage to coat at City Hospital.

S. Simons Hardware Company, for compensation for damage to property at 48 Canal street, caused by broken water main.

Robert G. Smerage, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Police Department.

Samuel L. Taylor, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Esther Wax, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Blue Hill avenue.

Laurie C. Zimmerman, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

PETITIONS FOR ANNUITIES.

Petition of Ellen A. Monahan to be paid an annuity on account of the death of her husband,

Martin H. Monahan, late member of the Police Department.

Petition of Ellen M. Twomey to be paid an annuity on account of the death of her husband, Edward J. Twomey, late member of the Fire Department.

Severally referred to the Committee on claims.

MINORS' LICENSES.

Applications for minors' licenses were received from eight newsboys. Licenses were granted under the usual conditions.

HEARINGS BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.

Notices from the Department of Public Utilities were received as follows:

Notice of hearing to be held January 5, 1953, at 10 A.M. on rates and charges of Johnson Bus Lines, Inc.

Notice of hearing to be held December 29 at 2.15 P.M. on petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority for leave to erect, maintain, and use poles on northerly side of Centre street, opposite Johnson avenue, and for permission to attach its wires, appliances, and electrical appliances and apparatus to said poles and to make the underground and surface alterations to the street necessary for that purpose.

Notice of hearing to be held December 29 at 2.15 P.M. on petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority for approval of operation of trackless trolleys on Hyde Park avenue, between Pine street and point of connection with existing trackless trolley line at Washington street; on Walk Hill street, between point of connection with existing trackless trolley line at Washington street and Hyde Park avenue, etc.

Notice of hearing to be held on December 31 at 10 A.M. on petition of Metropolitan Transit Authority for license to operate motor vehicles between junction of Hyde Park avenue and Pine street and Forest Hills Terminal over Hyde Park avenue and Washington street; return over Washington street, Walk Hill street, and Hyde Park avenue.

Notice of hearing to be held December 31 at 10 A.M. on petition of the Plymouth and Brockton Street Railway Company for amendment of its certificate for carriage of passengers between Park square, Boston, and Plymouth, Mass., eliminating certain restrictions now contained in said certificate.

Severally referred to the Committee on Licenses.

AMENDMENTS TO COUNTY COMPENSATION AND CLASSIFICATION PLAN.

The following were received:

City of Boston,

Budget Department, December 15, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

Under General Laws (Ter. Ed.) c. 35, s. 51, as amended, your Honorable Body has referred to me for report an order which, if passed, would amend the Compensation Plan for the Officers and Employees of Suffolk County by changing parole agents from the compensation grade now allocated to them, namely, Compensation Grade 17, with a minimum annual salary of \$3,419.10 and a maximum annual salary of \$4,176, to Compensation Grade 20, with a minimum annual salary of \$3,810.60 and a maximum annual salary of \$4,724.10.

The duties of a parole agent are essentially like those of a social worker. Social workers are assigned Compensation Grade 17.

In view of this situation, it is my opinion that the allocation of parole agents to Compensation Grade 17 is fair and equitable; and, accordingly, I recommend that the order pending before your Honorable Body be rejected.

Respectfully,

JOHN A. SULLIVAN,
Budget Commissioner.

City of Boston,

Budget Department, December 15, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

Under General Laws (Ter. Ed.) c. 35, s. 51, as amended, your Honorable Body has referred to me for report an order which, if passed, would amend the Compensation Plan for the Officers and Employees of Suffolk County by changing the court officers of the East Boston District Court and the Municipal Courts of Brighton, Charlestown, Dorchester, South Boston, and West Roxbury from the compensation grade now allocated to them, namely, Compensation Grade 17, with a minimum annual salary of \$3,419.10 and a maximum annual salary of \$4,176, to Compensation Grade 19, with a minimum annual salary of \$3,680.10 and a maximum annual salary of \$4,541.40.

The justices of all the courts mentioned above, except the court in Dorchester, receive substantially less salary than the justices of the District Courts of East Norfolk (Quincy), Somerville, and Lowell, but Compensation Grade 17 provides for the court officers of the above-mentioned courts substantially the same salary as is received by the court officers of the Quincy, Somerville, and Lowell courts, whose salary range is from a minimum annual salary of \$3,420 to a maximum annual salary of \$4,020.

In view of this situation, it is my opinion that the allocation of the court officers of the East Boston District Court and the Municipal Courts of Brighton, Charlestown, Dorchester, South Boston, and West Roxbury to Compensation Grade 17 is fair and equitable; and, accordingly, I recommend that the order pending before your Honorable Body be rejected.

Respectfully,

JOHN A. SULLIVAN,
Budget Commissioner.

City of Boston,

Budget Department, December 15, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

Under General Laws (Ter. Ed.) c. 35, s. 51, as amended, your Honorable Body has referred to me for report an order which, if passed, would amend the Compensation Plan for the Officers and Employees of Suffolk County by changing the First Assistant Clerk of Court for the East Boston District Court, the District Court of Chelsea, and the Municipal Courts of Brighton, Charlestown, South Boston, and West Roxbury from the compensation grade now allocated to them, namely, Compensation Grade 25, with a minimum annual salary of \$4,724.10 and a maximum annual salary of \$5,898.60, to Compensation Grade 30, with a minimum annual salary of \$5,898.60 and a maximum annual salary of \$7,138.35.

In district and municipal courts outside of Suffolk County the clerk receives a salary equal to 75 per cent of the justice's salary, and the first assistant clerk receives a salary equal to 75 per cent of the clerk's salary. See General Laws (Ter. Ed.) c. 218, ss. 79 and 80, as amended. Application of like rules to the above-mentioned courts in Suffolk County would result in the first assistant clerks of the several courts receiving the following amounts:

Brighton, \$3,881.25; Charlestown, \$3,881.25; Chelsea, \$4,075.31; East Boston, \$3,881.25; South Boston, \$3,881.25; West Roxbury, \$3,881.25.

Compensation Grade 25 provides a minimum annual salary substantially in excess of any of these amounts.

In view of this situation, it is my opinion that the allocation of the First Assistant Clerk of Court for the East Boston District Court, the District Court of Chelsea, and the Municipal Courts of Brighton, Charlestown, South Boston, and West Roxbury to Compensation Grade 25 is fair and equitable; and, accordingly, I recommend that the order pending before your Honorable Body be rejected.

Respectfully,

JOHN A. SULLIVAN,
Budget Commissioner.

City of Boston,

Budget Department, December 15, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

Under General Laws (Ter. Ed.) c. 35, s. 51, as amended, your Honorable Body has referred to me

for report an order which, if passed, would amend the Compensation Plan for the Officers and Employees of Suffolk County by changing commitment and transfer officers from the compensation grade now allocated to them, namely, Compensation Grade 18, with a minimum annual salary of \$3,549.60 and a maximum annual salary of \$4,358.70, to Compensation Grade 20, with a minimum annual salary of \$3,810.60 and a maximum annual salary of \$4,724.10.

A commitment and transfer officer is a combination of correction officer and police officer. The compensation of correction officers ranges from a minimum of \$3,288.60 to a maximum of \$3,993.30 on an annual base, whereas the scale of police officers is from \$3,500 minimum to \$3,800 maximum. Compensation Grade 18 affords commitment and transfer officers a higher salary than either of these.

In view of this situation, it is my opinion that the allocation of the commitment and transfer officers to Compensation Grade 18 is fair and equitable; and, accordingly, I recommend that the order pending before your Honorable Body be rejected.

Respectfully,

JOHN A. SULLIVAN,
Budget Commissioner.

City of Boston,

Budget Department, December 15, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

Under General Laws (Ter. Ed.) c. 35, s. 51, as amended, your Honorable Body has referred to me for report an order which, if passed, would amend the Compensation Plan for the Officers and Employees of Suffolk County by changing the assistant matrons (at the Suffolk County Jail) from the compensation grade now allocated to them, namely, Compensation Grade 10, with a minimum annual salary of \$2,505.60 and a maximum annual salary of \$3,158.10, to Compensation Grade 16, with a minimum annual salary of \$3,288.60 and a maximum annual salary of \$3,993.30.

So far as I am aware, no comparable position in any state or county penal institution in Massachusetts carries a minimum salary in excess of \$2,900 or a maximum salary over \$3,500. Further, if assistant matrons are allocated to a higher compensation grade than 10, there should be corresponding changes in the compensation grades of the assistant chief matron and the chief matron; but the order makes no provision whatsoever therefor. Finally, it should be noted that the recent amendment to the Compensation Plan resulted in the salary range of assistant matrons being increased from \$1,960 minimum and \$2,560 maximum to \$2,505 minimum and \$3,158 maximum.

Accordingly, I recommend that the order pending before your Honorable Body be rejected.

Respectfully,

JOHN A. SULLIVAN,
Budget Commissioner.

City of Boston,

Budget Department, December 15, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

Under General Laws (Ter. Ed.) c. 35, s. 51, as amended, your Honorable Body has referred to me for report an order which, if passed, would amend the Compensation Plan for the Officers and Employees of Suffolk County by changing the Clerk of Court for the East Boston District Court, the District Court of Chelsea, and the Municipal Courts of Brighton, Charlestown, South Boston, and West Roxbury from the compensation grade now allocated to them, namely, Compensation Grade 30, with a minimum annual salary of \$5,898.60 and a maximum annual salary of \$7,138.35, to Compensation Grade 34, with a minimum annual salary of \$6,890.40 and a maximum annual salary of \$8,130.15.

In district and municipal courts outside of Suffolk County the clerk receives a salary equal to 75 per cent of the justice's salary. See General Laws (Ter. Ed.) c. 218, s. 79, as amended. Application of this principle to the above-mentioned courts in Suffolk County would result in the clerks of the several courts receiving the following amounts:

Brighton, \$5,175; Charlestown, \$5,175; Chelsea, \$5,433.75; East Boston, \$5,175; South Boston, \$5,175; West Roxbury, \$5,175.

Compensation Grade 30 provides a minimum annual salary in excess of these amounts.

In view of this situation, it is my opinion that the allocation of the Clerk of Court for the East Boston District Court, the District Court of Chelsea, the Municipal Courts of Brighton, Charlestown, South Boston, and West Roxbury to Compensation Grade 30 is fair and equitable; and, accordingly, I recommend that the order pending before your Honorable Body be rejected.

Respectfully,
JOHN A. SULLIVAN,
Budget Commissioner

City of Boston,
Budget Department, December 15, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

Under General Laws (Ter. Ed.) c. 35, s. 51, as amended, your Honorable Body has referred to me for report an order which, if passed, would amend the Compensation Plan for the Officers and Employees of Suffolk County by changing jail officers from the compensation grade now allocated to them, namely, Compensation Grade 16, with a minimum annual salary of \$3,288.60 and a maximum annual salary of \$3,993.30, to Compensation Grade 17, with a minimum annual salary of \$3,419.10 and a maximum annual salary of \$4,176.

According to my information, in all other counties in Massachusetts county prison guards are assigned a compensation grade having a \$3,240 minimum and a \$3,840 maximum. This is slightly less than what Suffolk's Compensation Grade 16 affords.

In view of this situation, it is my opinion that the allocation of the jail officers to Compensation Grade 16 is fair and equitable; and, accordingly, I recommend that the order pending before your Honorable Body be rejected.

Respectfully,
JOHN A. SULLIVAN,
Budget Commissioner.

City of Boston,
Budget Department, December 15, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

Under General Laws (Ter. Ed.) c. 35, s. 51, as amended, your Honorable Body has referred to me for report an order which, if passed, would amend the Compensation Plan for the Officers and Employees of Suffolk County by changing van drivers from the compensation grade now allocated to them, namely, Compensation Grade 16, with a minimum annual salary of \$3,288.60 and a maximum annual salary of \$3,993.30, to Compensation Grade 17, with a minimum annual salary of \$3,419.10 and a maximum annual salary of \$4,176.

A van driver is a combination of motor equipment operator and jail officer. Motor equipment operators are allocated to Compensation Grade 12, whereas jail officers are assigned Compensation Grade 16.

In view of this situation, it is my opinion that the allocation of the van drivers to Compensation Grade 16 is fair and equitable; and, accordingly, I recommend that the order pending before your Honorable Body be rejected.

Respectfully,
JOHN A. SULLIVAN,
Budget Commissioner.

Severally referred to the Executive Committee.

APPOINTMENT OF JOHN J. RILEY, JR.

Notice was received from the Board of Assessors of appointment of John J. Riley, Jr., 270 Parker Hill avenue (a veteran), as temporary assistant assessor, effective December 9, 1952, at salary of \$326 per month for period of five months, vice Daniel O. Steele, nonveteran.
Placed on file.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFIRMATIONS.

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

Report on appointment by the Mayor (referred December 8) of Frederiek W. Paine as weigher of coal for term ending April 30, 1953—recommending that appointment be confirmed.

Report on appointment by the Mayor (referred December 8) of Martin Greene as weigher of goods for term ending April 30, 1953—recommending that appointment be confirmed.

The reports were accepted, and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councilors Ward and White. Whole number of ballots 8, yeas 8, and the appointments were confirmed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LICENSES.

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

1. Report on petition (referred November 13, 1950) of Eastern Massachusetts Street Railway Company for license to operate motor vehicles from Revere-Boston line to Haymarket square to Mystic River Bridge—recommending no further action necessary.

The report was accepted.

2. Report on notice (referred November 17) from Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held on petition of Eastern Massachusetts Street Railway Company to operate motor vehicles on East Boston streets to Day Square MTA Station—that same be placed on file.]

The report was accepted, and the notice was placed on file.

3. Report on notice (referred November 24) from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held on rates and charges of the Boston, Worcester & New York Street Railway Company—that same be placed on file.

The report was accepted, and the notice was placed on file.

4. Report on order (referred to the Committee on Public Safety on December 11, 1950, and to the Committee on Licenses on June 30, 1952) on advisability of holding public hearings before establishing one-way streets—recommending no further action necessary.

The report was accepted.

5. Report on order (referred May 21, 1951) on medical examination of persons connected with circuses—recommending no further action necessary.

The report was accepted.

6. Report on communication (referred October 20) from the Corporation Counsel relative to procedure followed by the city on notices of hearings before the Department of Public Utilities on matters affecting the City of Boston—recommending that said communication be printed in full in the City Record.

The report was accepted. The foregoing communication was printed in the City Council Proceedings of October 20, 1952, and the City Record of November 1, 1952.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCE.

Coun. WARD, for the Committee on Appropriations and Finance, submitted the following:

Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred October 6) for transfer of \$50,000 from the Reserve Fund to appropriation for Workmen's Compensation—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed, yeas 8, nays 0:

Yeas—Councilors Ahearn, Hailer, Hurley, Joyce, Kerrigan, Piemonte, Ward, White—8.
Nays—0.

NAMING OF SQUARES IN HONOR OF DECEASED VETERANS.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:

Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend naming of the square at the intersection of Margaret and Prince streets in honor of Pvt. Anthony J. LoRusso, U. S. Army, who was killed in action in France on September 7, 1944.

Ordered, That the Special Committee to Memorialize Veterans be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to recommend naming of the square at the intersection of Snow Hill and Prince streets in honor of Rucocco Nigro, U. S. Army, who was killed in action in Italy on May 12, 1943.

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

Mayor, to recommend naming of the square at the intersection of Prince and Thacher streets in honor of S. Sergt. Gactano A. Iovanni, killed in action on November 9, 1944.

The orders were severally passed under suspension of the rules.

EXTENSION OF DATE OF APPEAL BEFORE COMPENSATION REVIEW BOARD.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:

Whereas, The attention of this Honorable Body has been called to the fact that there are city employees who will not receive their pay until December 15 and December 16; and

Whereas, Due to this fact some of said employees will not know their status until such time; and

Whereas, The final date of appeal to his Honor the Mayor's Compensation Review Board has been set for December 15, 1952; and

Whereas, This time limit does not make allowance for such employees; now, therefore, be it

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor direct that the final date of appeal to the Mayor's Compensation Review Board be extended until December 22, 1952, or until such other time as in his judgment seems advisable.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

LEGISLATION ENABLING FINANCIAL AID FOR PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:

Ordered, Whereas the Boston Public Library is more than just another department in the City of Boston, as its scope of service reaches throughout the metropolitan area and even extends throughout the state; and

Whereas, For many years the Central Library at Copley square has served the needs of countless students of the many colleges in this area and as such has become an organic part of the great educational pattern of Greater Boston; and

Whereas, At the 1952 budget hearings testimony was given that at least \$100,000 of the annual maintenance cost of the Copley Square Branch could be attributed to nonresidents of Boston; and

Whereas, The Central Library houses the vast reference, rare book and manuscript, prints, special collection, fine arts, music, science and technology, record and film collection sections, which exert an appeal which is always metropolitan-wide; and

Whereas, The cost of operation and maintenance of the Boston Public Library system is now borne solely by the Boston real estate owners; and

Whereas, Other states in the Union have, by legislation, provided for financial aid by the state and private sources for their city and county libraries; and

Whereas, New York State, for example, has contributed about 30 per cent of the annual maintenance cost of the county libraries as a result of such legislation; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That his Honor the Mayor direct the Corporation Counsel of the City of Boston to prepare and draft desirable legislation with adequate provisions whereby the Boston Public Library would be enabled to receive financial aid from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and other sources for its annual maintenance, and, further, that such a petition be filed with the Legislature and steps taken for its immediate passage.

Coun. WHITE in the chair.

The resolution was referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Finance.

President PIEMONTE in the chair.

LEGISLATION RE STATUS AND POWERS OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

Coun. WHITE offered the following:

Resolved, That the members of the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, go on record as favoring a meeting of the Mayor, the Corporation Counsel, and the members of the Boston City

Council for the purpose of discussing legislation for presentation to the Legislature which will straighten out inconsistencies in the law pertaining to the status and powers of the so-called County Commissioners,

Passed under suspension of the rules.

APPROPRIATION FOR OFF-STREET PARKING AREA IN BRIGHTON.

Coun. AHEARN called up, under unfinished business, No. 2 on the Calendar, viz.:

2. Order for appropriation of \$60,000 from "Parking Meter Fees" for acquiring and constructing off-street parking areas in Brighton district.

On November 24, 1952, the foregoing order was read once and passed, yeas 6, nays 1.

Coun. WHITE in the chair.

The order was given its second reading and passage, yeas 6, nays 1:

Yeas—Councillors Ahearn, Hailer, Hurley, Kerrigan, Ward, White—6.

Nays—Councillor Joyce—1.

Voting Present—Councillor Piemonte—1.

INFORMATION ON LOCAL OFF-STREET PARKING AREAS.

Coun. JOYCE offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to furnish the City Council with certain information concerning off-street parking areas in local business districts throughout the city:

1. A list of proposed parking areas to be set up by the transfer of funds from parking meter fees.

2. The order in which they will be constructed, with approximate starting dates, if transfer is approved.

3. The number of cars each area will accommodate and the approximate cost of each area.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

TRAFFIC SIGNALS AT BOYLSTON AND IPSWICH STREETS, WARD 5.

Coun. WARD offered the following:

Ordered, That the Traffic Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install traffic lights on the corner of Boylston street and Ipswich street in Ward 5, at 1255 Boylston street.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

ABANDONMENT OF CERTAIN EASEMENTS IN DORCHESTER.

Coun. HAILER called up, under unfinished business, No. 3 on the Calendar, viz.:

3. Order for abandonment of easements for sewerage purposes in Dorchester.

On November 24, 1952, the foregoing order was read once and passed, yeas 9.

The order was given its second reading and passage, yeas 8, nays 0:

Yeas—Councillors Ahearn, Hailer, Hurley, Joyce, Kerrigan, Piemonte, Ward, White—8.

Nays—0.

EXCHANGE OF LANDS BETWEEN CITY AND GIUSEPPE SEMINARA.

Coun. HAILER called up, under unfinished business, No. 4 on the Calendar, viz.:

4. Order for exchange of lands on Delmont street, Dorchester, between Giuseppe Seminara and the City of Boston.

On November 24, 1952, the foregoing order was read once and passed, yeas 9.

The order was given its second reading and passage, yeas 8, nays 0:

Yeas—Councillors Ahearn, Hailer, Hurley, Joyce, Kerrigan, Piemonte, Ward, White—8.

Nays—0.

RECONVEYANCE OF LAND IN EAST
BOSTON TO MARY McLEAN.

Coun. HAILER called up, under unfinished business, No. 5 on the Calendar, viz.:

5. Order for reconveyance of land, East Boston, to Mary McLean.

On November 24, 1952, the foregoing order was read once and passed, yeas 9.

The order was given its second reading and passage, yeas 8, nays 0:

Yeas—Councillors Ahearn, Hailer, Hurley, Joyce, Kerrigan, Piemonte, Ward, White—8.

Nays—0.

RECESS.

On motion of Councillor Ward, the Council voted at 3.30 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 at 4.05 P.M. by President PIEMONTE.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

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

Report on resolution (referred December 8) of City Council of Everett relative to the application of a recent entire federal tax award—recommending adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the City Council of Boston notify the MTA Trustees that the people of Boston, through their government, recommend that the entire sum of \$1,798,171 gained from the recent

federal tax ease be applied against the road's growing deficit in an effort to reduce the ensuing tax rate.

The report was accepted, and the resolution was adopted.

LEGISLATION ENABLING STATE AID TO
FRANKLIN PARK ZOO.

Coun. AHEARN offered the following:

Whereas, the City of Boston, at great expense to its taxpayers, alone supports and maintains the Franklin Park Zoo; and

Whereas, Said zoo is used for the education, recreation, and pleasure of all citizens throughout the Commonwealth; and

Whereas, The zoo is presently in a rundown condition, with many of its resources depleted, and there has been a great demand for the rehabilitation and improvement of this zoo and the enlargement of the number and kind of animals; now, therefore, be it

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor direct the Corporation Counsel to consult with the Park Commissioner and prepare and draft desirable legislation with adequate provisions whereby the Franklin Park Zoo would receive financial aid from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Referred to the Committee on Legislative Matters.

Adjourned, at 4.11 P.M., on motion of Councillor Ward, to meet on Monday, December 22, 1952, 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 22, 1952.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President PIEMONTE in the chair and all the members present.

The Rev. Cormac Dongan of St. Anthony's Shrine, Arch street, Boston, was escorted to the rostrum.

INVOCATION BY REV. CORMAC DONGAN.

In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

We pray Thee, O God of might, wisdom, and justice, through Whom laws are enacted and judgment decreed, assist with Thy holy spirit of counsel and fortitude the members of this Body that their administration may be conducted with justice and be eminently useful to Thy people over whom they preside; by encouraging due respect for virtue and religion, by faithful execution of the laws of justice and mercy and by restraining vice and immorality. Let the light of Thy divine wisdom direct the deliberations of the Council and shine forth in all their proceedings, and freedom ever be our rule and government so that they may tend to the preservation of peace, the promotion of civic happiness, the increase of industry, sobriety, and useful knowledge and perpetuate to us the blessing of liberty. Through Christ our Lord, Amen. In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

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 Goods for the term ending April 30, 1953: Philomena Scanlon, 35 Williams avenue, Hyde Park; Paul W. Henderson, 4 Franklin terrace, Hyde Park; Francis W. Sprague, 33 Knoll street, Roslindale; George E. White, 12 Pittsburgh street, Boston.

Weighers of Coal for the term ending April 30, 1953: Philomena Scanlon, 35 Williams avenue, Hyde Park; Paul W. Henderson, 4 Franklin terrace, Hyde Park.

Severally referred to the Committee on Confirmations.

CONTRACTS FOR COLLECTION OF GARBAGE AND REFUSE.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 22, 1952.

To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of Public Works relative to your order of December 8, 1952, concerning the request for an appearance before the Executive Committee to answer questions concerning the collection of refuse.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
December 12, 1952.

Mr. Thomas G. Shannon,
Chief Clerk, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

This is in reference to the following order that was passed in the City Council under date of December 8:

"Ordered, That the Public Works Commissioner, Health Commissioner, and Corporation Counsel be requested to appear before the Executive Com-

mittee to furnish details as to present contracts for the collection of refuse and garbage, especially on the matter of the advisability of having entered into these contracts for a term of more than one year without holding public hearings thereon contrary to the provisions of our city ordinances."

I shall be available to attend a meeting of the Executive Committee at a time convenient to the members of the City Council.

Very truly yours,

GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

"STOP" SIGNS AT HIGH AND WALKER STREETS, CHARLESTOWN.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, December 22, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of the Boston Traffic Commission relative to your order of December 8, 1952, concerning the request for the installation of "Stop" signs at the junction of High and Walker streets, Charlestown.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
December 15, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes,

Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

With reference to a Council order of December 8, 1952, ordering the Boston Traffic Commission to install "Stop" signs at the junction of High and Walker streets, Charlestown, our engineers report that Walker street is now a one-way street from Russell street to Main.

High street, at Walker street, is a "T" intersection so that the only movement from High street into Walker street is a left turn.

Since the traffic volume in both streets is relatively light it appears that there are no warrants which the State Department of Public Works will approve for "Stop" signs in this location.

Possibly some other intersection was in mind when this order was passed.

Sincerely yours,

WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.

Placed on file.

PEDESTRIAN SIGNALS AT BEACON STREET AND RESERVOIR ROAD.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, December 22, 1952.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Commissioner of the Boston Traffic Commission relative to your order of December 8, 1952, concerning the request for the installation of push-button traffic lights at the intersection of Beacon street and Reservoir road, Brighton.

Respectfully,

J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
December 15, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes,

Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

With reference to Council order of December 8, 1952, requesting push-button traffic lights at Beacon street and Reservoir road, I wish to report that this "T" intersection borders on the town of Brookline and our accident records show no pedestrian accidents during the past four years at this location.

In 1949 one auto collided with another and there have been two accidents of this type in 1952.

The amount of pedestrian demand for crossing at this location is light and there would be no justification for installing a signal at this location in view of the many other locations in the city which are far more dangerous and where there is a far heavier volume of traffic.

As the Traffic Commission meetings for the year are completed and, rather than delay a report on this Council order until January, I submit the above information as an indication that the Traffic Commission will not approve of the installation of lights at Beacon street and Reservoir road at this time.

Sincerely yours,
W. M. ARTHUR REILLY,
Commissioner.

Placed on file.

LIST OF POCKET GASOLINE LICENSES.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 22, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Fire Commissioner relative to your order of November 24, 1952, concerning the request for a list of so-called pocket licenses.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Fire Department, December 17, 1952.
Mr. Thomas P. McCusker,
Executive Secretary, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

As requested in the City Council order of November 24, 1952, I submit herewith the list of so-called pocket licenses in triplicate.

Very truly yours,
MICHAEL T. KELLEHER,
Fire Commissioner.

Edmund J. Solari et al., 65 Addison street, East Boston, License C-1658, granted May 22, 1952, 20,000 gallons gasoline, no action taken to date.

Mercury Cleaners, 73 Addison street, East Boston, License C-999, granted June 7, 1948, 1,000 gallons gasoline, no action taken to date.
Downes Realty Corporation, 406 Albany street, Boston, License C-780, granted May 5, 1947, 4,000 gallons gasoline, no action taken to date.

George M. Byrne, 580 Albany street, Boston, License C-1318, granted March 9, 1950, 1,000 gallons gasoline, not installed to date.

Charlestown Five Cents Savings Bank, 820 Beacon street, Boston, License C-27977, granted July 15, 1940, 4,500 gallons gasoline, not installed to date.

Theodore F. Walker, 426 Belgrade avenue, West Roxbury, License C-1324, granted March 15, 1950, 8,000 gallons gasoline, no work started to date.

Day Square Tire & Battery Shop, 311 Bennington street, East Boston, License C-399, granted January 17, 1947, 3,000 gallons gasoline, no action taken to date.

Adeline A. Bianco, 1091 Bennington street, East Boston, License C-28767, granted December 6, 1939, 1,500 gallons gasoline, not installed to date.

Charles M. Wojciechowiez, 1385A and 1387 Blue Hill avenue, Mattapan, License C-380, granted July 15, 1947, 4,000 gallons gasoline, not installed to date.

State Marine Corporation, 120-127 Border street, East Boston, License C-1168, granted June 22, 1949, 100,000 barrels gasoline, no action taken to date.

Cecelia F. Wattendorf, 256 Boston street, Dorchester, License C-731, granted March 13, 1947, 3,500 gallons gasoline, no work started to date.

Brimmer Street Garage, 68 Brimmer street, Boston, License C-1731, granted November 14, 1952, 3,500 gallons gasoline, no action taken to date.

Jenney Manufacturing Company, 1325 Boylston street, Boston, License C-505, granted December 10, 1945, 2,500 gallons gasoline, no action taken to date.

Alles & Fisher, 22 Burke street, Roxbury, License C-818, granted June 23, 1947, 1,000 gallons gasoline, no action taken to date.

Victor Waitaitis, 284-292 C street, South Boston, License C-1300, granted January 4, 1950, 3,500 gallons gasoline, not installed to date.

Sears Roebuck Company, 115 Cambridge street, Brighton, License C-1398, granted July 28, 1950, 6,000 gallons gasoline, no action taken to date.

Owen F. Oakes, 1402 Centre street, West Roxbury, License C-1641, granted April 18, 1952, 10,000 gallons gasoline, no action taken to date.

Mary C. Giblin, 126 Chelsea street, Charlestown, License C-952, granted March 2, 1948, 4,500 gallons gasoline, not installed to date, as part of land used for construction of new Mystic River Bridge.

Gulf Oil Corporation, 560-574 Commonwealth avenue, Boston, License C-243, granted October 29, 1950, 12,000 gallons gasoline, no action taken to date.

William J. McCaffrey, 627 Cummins Highway, Roslindale, License C-1145, granted March 24, 1949, 2,000 gallons gasoline, not installed to date.

Yale Transportation Corporation, 320 D street, South Boston, License C-1729, granted November 10, 1952, 5,000 gallons gasoline, no action taken to date.

Foreman's Service Station, 6 Dacia street, Roxbury, License C-532, granted January 16, 1946, 2,000 gallons gasoline, no action taken to date.

John Varnas, 306-310 Dorchester street, South Boston, License C-724, granted March 4, 1947, 4,000 gallons gasoline, no action taken to date.

Texas Company, 1607 Dorchester avenue, Dorchester, License C-1573, granted September 19, 1952, 3,030 gallons gasoline, no action taken to date.

158-162 Dover street, Boston, License C-27, granted December 10, 1940, 2,000 gallons gasoline, no action taken to date.

Franis J. Callahan, 656 Dudley street, Roxbury, License C-853, granted September 2, 1947, 4,000 gallons gasoline, no action taken to date.

Diamond T Sales & Service Corporation, 25 Electric avenue, Brighton, License C-1181, granted July 7, 1949, 500 gallons gasoline, no action taken to date.

Joseph P. McCabe, 531 East First street, South Boston, License C-822, granted June 30, 1947, 2,000 gallons gasoline, no action taken to date.

Heggie Corporation, 170 Draper street, Dorchester, License C-1371, granted June 8, 1950, 1,000 gallons gasoline, no action taken to date.

Circle Dev. Corporation, 340 Freetport street, Dorchester, License C-1258, granted November 18, 1949, 9,000 gallons gasoline, no action taken to date.

Gulf Oil Company, 15 Gallivan Boulevard, Dorchester, License C-1671, granted June 18, 1952, 7,030 gallons gasoline, no action taken to date.

Edward F. Cassell, 660 Gallivan Boulevard, Dorchester, License C-564, granted May 9, 1946, 6,250 gallons gasoline, no action taken to date.

Charles McCormack et al., 303 Geneva avenue, Dorchester, License C-1660, granted May 23, 1952, 500 gallons gasoline, not installed to date.

Boston Electro Steel Casting, Inc., 53 Gerard street, Roxbury, License C-1663, granted June 6, 1952, 1,000 gallons gasoline, no action taken to date.

Philip Gale, 40 Hampden street, Roxbury, License C-1427, granted September 13, 1950, 2,000 gallons gasoline, not installed to date.

Filling Stations Realty Company, 656 Harrison avenue, Boston, License C-1719, granted October 20, 1952, 12,000 gallons gasoline, no action taken to date.

Joseph H. Harrington, 1012 Hyde Park avenue, Hyde Park, License C-1479, granted January 25, 1952, 8,040 gallons gasoline, no action taken to date.

William Biseeglia, 1192-1196 Hyde Park avenue, Hyde Park, License C-787, granted May 9, 1947, 4,000 gallons gasoline, no action taken to date.

Harry L. Silva, 1820 Hyde Park avenue, Hyde Park, License C-855, granted September 4, 1947, 4,050 gallons gasoline, not installed to date.

Ellen Zeiper, 11 Lansing street, Roxbury, License C-727, granted March 11, 1947, 500 gallons gasoline, not installed to date.

Abigail J. Casey, 371-385 Market street, Brighton, License C-1278, granted September 30, 1949, 8,000 gallons gasoline, no action taken to date.

John Hancock Mutual Insurance Company, 299 Independence Drive, West Roxbury, License C-1590, granted October 15, 1951, 10,000 gallons gasoline, no action taken to date.

Kiley & Powers, 391 Market street, Brighton, License C-1298, granted January 4, 1950, 3,000 gallons gasoline, no action taken to date.

Regal Transportation Company, 10 Maywood street, Roxbury, License C-1612, granted January 15, 1952, 2,000 gallons gasoline, not installed to date.

Andrews & Pierce, Inc., 56 Medway street, South Boston, License C-1604, granted December 3, 1951, 3,000 gallons gasoline, not installed to date.

Philip Berson, 869 Morton street, Dorchester, License C-1568, granted August 27, 1951, 5,000 gallons gasoline, not installed to date.

Dorothy McLaughlin, 468 and 470 Meridian street, East Boston, License C-1507, granted March 29, 1951, 1,530 gallons gasoline, no action taken to date.

Mabel L. Ohrenberger, 372 Neponset avenue, Dorchester, License C-979, granted May 13, 1948, 4,000 gallons gasoline, no action taken to date.

Carney-Young Utilities, 130-138 North Beacon street, Brighton, License C-1208, granted September 22, 1949, 1,000 gallons gasoline, no action taken to date.

R. W. Balsam, 381 North Beacon street, Brighton, License C-1684, granted August 1, 1952, 1,000 gallons gasoline, no action taken to date.

Minas Minasian, 209 and 211 North Harvard street, Allston, License C-1617, granted January 28, 1952, 3,000 gallons gasoline, no action taken to date.

Harbor Motor Terminals, Inc., 283 Northern avenue, South Boston, License C-1080, granted November 5, 1948, 30,000 gallons gasoline, 4,000 gallons installed to date.

Socony Vacuum Oil Company, 950 Old Colony Parkway, Dorchester, License 1674, granted July 3, 1952, 4,500 gallons gasoline, no action taken to date.

Atlantic Refining Company, 969 Old Colony Parkway, Dorchester, License C-786, granted May 7, 1947, 4,000 gallons gasoline, no action taken to date.

Filling Stations Realty Company, 980 Old Colony Parkway, Dorchester, License C-1414, granted August 22, 1950, 10,370 gallons gasoline, not installed to date.

A. & F. Realty Corporation, 1100 Old Colony Parkway, Dorchester, License C-1690, granted August 8, 1952, 9,000 gallons gasoline, no action taken to date.

Buchine Family Trust, 213 Park street, Dorchester, License C-1686, granted August 4, 1952, 8,000 gallons gasoline, not installed to date.

Anita Russo, 28 Pitts street, Boston, License C-950, granted March 2, 1948, 4,000 gallons gasoline, no action taken to date.

Salvatore D. Pascuito, 1736 River street, Hyde Park, License C-1531, granted May 15, 1952, 9,000 gallons gasoline, not installed to date.

John J. Colbert, 1144 Saratoga street, East Boston, License C-809, granted June 6, 1947, 1,500 gallons gasoline, no action taken to date.

Gulf Oil Corporation, 259 Talbot avenue, Dorchester, License C-1664, granted June 9, 1952, 2,450 gallons gasoline, not installed to date.

Socony Vacuum Oil Company, 98 Talbot avenue, Dorchester, License C-1367, granted June 6, 1950, 3,540 gallons gasoline, no action taken to date.

New York Central Railroad Company, B. & A. District, 125 Utica street, Boston, License C-1691, granted July 6, 1952, 1,000 gallons gasoline, no action taken to date.

Walter J. Chipman, 510 Veterans of Foreign Wars Parkway, West Roxbury, License C-1695, granted August 20, 1952, 9,000 gallons gasoline, no action taken to date.

C. Justino, 35 Ward street, Roxbury, License C-1256, granted November 4, 1949, 4,500 gallons gasoline, no action taken to date.

Filling Stations Realty, Inc., 3458 Washington street, Jamaica Plain, License C-1718, granted October 20, 1952, 6,000 gallons gasoline, no action taken to date.

Morris Feldman, 8 Wilton street, Brighton, License C-1580, granted October 5, 1951, 1,000 gallons gasoline, no action taken to date.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

CONSTRUCTION OF INCINERATORS IN CERTAIN AREAS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, December 22, 1952.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

On September 29, 1952, I transmitted to your Honorable Body an order for the acceptance of chapter 559 of the Acts of 1952, which act provides authority to the Metropolitan District Commission to construct incinerators in Metropolitan Boston.

In order that the Metropolitan District Commission, and our Public Works Department, may intelligently plan the construction of incinerators in Boston and in the Greater Boston area, it is essential that the aforementioned statute be accepted. I send you herewith a communication from the Commissioner of Public Works to that effect. I most respectfully request that the order now pending before your Honorable Body be adopted prior to the end of this year.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Public Works Department,
December 22, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

Under date of September 29, I sent a communication to your Honor relative to and enclosing copy of order which required the approval of the City Council, and which accepted, in substance, the provisions of chapter 559 of the Acts of 1952, authorizing the Metropolitan District Commission to erect incinerators in Boston at locations to be determined and approved at a subsequent date by the City Council.

It is my understanding that you forwarded the order to the Council, for consideration of that Body, on the date that I sent it to you. However, as yet, no action has been taken.

I respectfully request, therefore, that you direct the attention of the members of the City Council to this order, and ask them to give favorable consideration to it, because we may want to have the Metropolitan District Commission construct one or more incinerators within this city within the next year or two.

In any event, I feel that favorable action should be taken by the Council, because it does not commit the city to any M. D. C. program of incineration, but, at the same time, it permits the city to take advantage of the provisions of chapter 559, if it desires to do so.

Respectfully yours,
GEORGE G. HYLAND,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Referred to the Committee on Ordinances.

NAMING OF INTERSECTIONS IN HONOR OF DECEASED VETERANS.

The following was received:

City of Boston,

Office of the Mayor, December 22, 1952.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith nine orders for the naming of various intersections in the city in honor of deceased veterans of World War II.

The Committee to Memorialize Veterans after due consideration has recommended the naming of the various sites as set forth in the accompanying orders.

In a small way, this indicates our appreciation of their sacrifices, and it perpetuates in fitting fashion their memories as heroic citizens of Boston. Accordingly, I recommend that your Honorable Body give approval to the several orders.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Street Laying-Out Department,
December 12, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Sir:

At a meeting of the Committee to Memorialize Veterans, held this day, it was voted to designate the following intersections in honor of the following-named veterans:

Blm Hill avenue and Hutchings street, Roxbury district, William J. Ginsburg Square. (Private Ginsburg, U. S. Army, was killed in action in Germany, March 7, 1945.)

G and Fourth streets, South Boston district, Arthur J. Mello Square. (Private Mello, U. S. Army, was killed in action in Normandy, June 6, 1944.)

Sever street and Rutherford avenue, Charlestown district, Francis J. Salvato Square. (Lieut.

Salvato, Air Force Pilot, died in collision of two planes at Madagora Peninsula, Texas, February 29, 1944.)

Cambridge and Main streets, Charlestown district, Candeloro O. Salvato Square. (Private Salvato, U. S. Air Force, was killed over Japan, November 6, 1944.)

Blue Hill avenue and Mattapan street, Dorchester district, Robert N. Laufer Square. (Private Laufer, U. S. Army, was killed in action in Belgium, February 8, 1945.)

Fairmount avenue and Highland street, Hyde Park district, Joseph J. Carty Square. (Private Carty, U. S. Army, was killed in Germany, November 29, 1944.)

Buttonwood and Locust streets, Dorchester district, Walter J. Paliwoda Square. (Staff Sergeant Paliwoda, U. S. Army, was killed in Luxemburg, December 19, 1944.)

Salem and Hull streets, Boston Proper District, Anthony V. DeSimone Square. (Lieutenant DeSimone, U. S. Army, was killed in France, July 12, 1944.)

Michelangelo and Charter streets, Boston Proper district, Liberato J. DiStefano Square. (Private first class DiStefano, U. S. Army, was killed in Belgium, December 18, 1945.)

A copy of this vote has been forwarded to the City Council for appropriate action.

Respectfully submitted,

LAWRENCE W. COSTELLO, Secretary.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Elm Hill avenue and Hutchings street, Ward 12, be named William J. Ginsburg Square, in honor of William J. Ginsburg, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of G and Fourth streets, Ward 6, be named Arthur J. Mello Square, in honor of Arthur J. Mello, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Sever street and Rutherford avenue, Ward 2, be named Francis J. Salvato Square, in honor of Francis J. Salvato, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Cambridge and Main streets, Ward 2, be named Candeloro O. Salvato Square, in honor of Candeloro O. Salvato, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Blue Hill avenue and Mattapan street, Ward 18, be named Robert N. Laufer Square, in honor of Robert N. Laufer, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Fairmount avenue and Highland street, Ward 18, be named Joseph J. Carty Square, in honor of Joseph J. Carty, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Buttonwood and Locust streets, Ward 7, be named Walter J. Paliwoda Square, in honor of Walter J. Paliwoda, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Salem and Hull streets, Ward 3, be named Anthony V. DeSimone Square, in honor of Anthony V. DeSimone, late veteran of World War II.

Ordered, That the space at the junction of Michelangelo and Charter streets, Ward 3, be named Liberato J. DeStefano Square, in honor of Liberto J. DeStefano, late veteran of World War II.
Referred to the Executive Committee.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

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

Claims.

George F. Abdon, for compensation for damage to car by fire apparatus.

Ellen Bagley, for compensation for damage to property at 1336 Tremont street, caused by defective water main.

Maude Black, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Water street.

Daniel Callahan, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him on account of his acts as employee of Park Department.

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Continental Insurance Company, for compensation for damage to car of Edward Hurwitz, caused by ashes from rockets which were part of July 4th celebration.

Arline A. Desilets, for compensation for damage to car caused by an alleged defect in Atlantic avenue.

Leo Ford, to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred caused by defective condition of parking meter No. S-619.

Grace L. Gates, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at 182 Fisher avenue.

Thomas J. Mathey, to be reimbursed as result of execution issued against him on account of his acts as employee of Police Department.

Niagara Fire Insurance Company, for compensation for damage to car of William Mann caused by car of Fire Department.

Frederick Oliver, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect in Humboldt avenue.

John Werby, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

John Wintererson & Patrick Reilly, doing business as Junction Tavern, for compensation for damage to property at 1336 Tremont street, caused by defective water main.

PERMITS FOR MINORS.

Petition for children under fifteen years to appear at places of public amusement:

Boston Children's Theatre, New England Mutual Hall, December 6 and 20.

The permit was granted under usual conditions.

PETITIONS FOR ANNUITIES.

Petition of Cecilia C. O'Meara to be paid an annuity on account of the death of her husband, Richard R. O'Meara, late member of the Police Department.

Petition of Sarah J. Nicholson to be paid an annuity on account of the death of her husband, William F. Nicholson, late member of the Fire Department.

Severally referred to the Committee on Claims.

HEARING BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.

Notice was received from the Department of Public Utilities of hearing to be held December 24, at 10 A.M., on petition of the City of Boston for approval of schedule of tolls for Summer Tunnel for year 1953.

Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

APPROVAL OF CONSTABLE'S BOND.

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

AMENDMENT TO COUNTY COMPENSATION AND CLASSIFICATION PLAN.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Budget Department, December 22, 1952.
To the City Council.

Gentlemen:

Under General Laws (Ter. Ed.) c. 35, s. 51, as amended, your Honorable Body has referred to me for report an order which, if passed, would amend Rule 19 of the Classification and Compensation Plan for the officers and employes of Suffolk County so as to read as follows:

"Rule 19. Appeals. Any incumbent aggrieved by the allocation or classification of his office or position may in writing, appeal to the Mayor. All appeals shall immediately be referred to the Compensation Review Board who shall investigate the merits thereof, granting the appellant full notice and hearing in connection with such in-

vestigation. The Board shall then submit a full report to the Mayor and Council.

"For the purpose of this rule, the Compensation Review Board shall include a representative of organized labor."

Rule 19 as now in force reads:

"Rule 19. Appeals. Any incumbent aggrieved by the classification of his office or position may, in writing, appeal to the Mayor. All appeals shall be referred to the Budget Commissioner, who shall investigate the merits thereof and report to the Mayor. The action by the Mayor in relation thereto shall be final."

Presumably the Compensation Review Board meant is the Compensation Review Board established by the Mayor in connection with the City Compensation Plan; but whether it is that Compensation Review Board or a Compensation Review Board to be specially created by the Mayor and City Council would seem immaterial, for it is my understanding that the statutes governing the County plan do not permit in either classification or compensation appeals the use of any board or officer except the Budget Commissioner.

Accordingly, I recommend that the order presently pending before your Honorable Body be rejected.

Respectfully,

JOHN A. SULLIVAN,
Budget Commissioner.

The report of the Budget Commissioner and the order were referred to the Executive Committee.

ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF
BOARD OF RECREATION.

Notice was received from the School Committee of election of Joseph Lee and Frederick J. Gillis as members of the Board of Recreation for the term ending December 31, 1954.

Placed on file.

SALARIES OF CERTAIN COUNTY
OFFICIALS.

Coun. JOYCE offered the following:

Ordered, That chapter 591 of the Acts of 1952 entitled "An Act Increasing Salaries of the Superintendent and Assistant Superintendent of the Suffolk County Court House" be, and hereby is, accepted.

Referred to the Committee on Ordinances.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON
ORDINANCES.

Coun. WARD, for the Committee on Ordinances, submitted the following:

1. Report on order (referred August 21, 1950) accepting chapter 538 of Acts of 1950 providing that cities and towns may make temporary minor repairs on private ways therein in certain cases—recommending no further action necessary.

The report was accepted.

2. Report on message of the Mayor and ordinance (referred October 27) relative to award of certain contracts made on behalf of the City of Boston and the County of Suffolk—that same ought not to pass.

The report was accepted. The ordinance was rejected.

3. Report on message of the Mayor and ordinance (referred November 10) regulating the taking of shellfish in the City of Boston—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the ordinance was passed.

4. Report on resolution (referred November 19, 1951) that salary of Public Works Commissioner George G. Hyland be increased—recommending no further action necessary.

The report was accepted.

5. Report on ordinance (referred April 9, 1951) washroom facilities in restaurants—recommending no further action necessary.

The report was accepted.

6. Report on message of the Mayor and ordinance (referred December 15) concerning the salaries of certain officials—recommending passage of an ordinance in a new draft increasing the salaries of four assessors from \$7,500 to \$8,500 a year.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Councilor White the ordinance in a new draft was referred to the Executive Committee.

7. Report on communication from the Finance Commission (referred August 4) re increasing dollar amount of contracts which may be awarded without advertising—that same be placed on file.

The report was accepted, and the communication was placed on file.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPRO-
PRIATIONS AND FINANCE.

Coun. WARD, for the Committee on Appropriations and Finance, submitted the following:

1. Report on order (referred July 14) that chapter 586 of the Acts of 1952 increasing compensation of members of the Police Department of Boston be accepted—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

2. Report on message of the Mayor and order (referred December 15) appropriating \$15,593.82 from income of George F. 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 9:

Yeas—Councilors Ahearn, Foley, Hailer, Hurley, Joyce, Kerrigan, Piemonte, Ward, White—9.

3. Report on order (referred December 15) that classification and compensation plan for the officers and employees of Suffolk County be repealed as it relates to the county treasurer, county auditor, and deputy county auditor—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Councilor White the order was referred to the Executive Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON
CONFIRMATIONS.

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

Report on appointment by the Mayor (referred December 15) of Allen F. Sweeney, to be weigher of goods for term ending April 30, 1953—that appointment be confirmed.

The report was accepted, and the question came on confirmation. Committee Councilors Ahearn and White. Whole number of ballots, yeas 9, and the appointment was confirmed.

Coun. WHITE in the chair.

CITY-OWNED PROPERTY NEAR
HOUSING PROJECTS.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:

Whereas, It is a recognized principle of city administration to have all plans for the improvement of school buildings, fire stations, etc., emanate from the City Planning Board; and

Whereas, Such a procedure is conducive to good administration and provides for due consideration of the long-range factors involved; and

Whereas, This administration has expressed a desire that such a procedure be followed, as has been demonstrated by orders presented to the Council, and as was recommended by the Boston Finance Commission; and

Whereas, The City of Boston has a Board of Real Estate Commissioners whose duty it is to list all properties to which the City of Boston has title; and

Whereas, There are now in process of construction or in the planning stage several housing projects in the City of Boston; and

Whereas, Schools will be erected in the vicinity of these housing projects as is consistent with Boston's policies and foremost position in the field of education; and

Whereas, Erecting schools on land already in the possession of the City of Boston will reduce the cost of the same; now, therefore, be it

Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor request the Board of Real Estate Commissioners and the Planning Board to forward immediately to the School Committee a list of all properties to which the City of Boston has title which lie within a

radius of one mile from any housing project now being built or contemplated.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LICENSES.

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

Report on petition of the Plymouth & Brockton Street Railway Company (referred November 24) for license to operate motor vehicles on Dorchester avenue between Adams street and Fields Corner Station—that license be granted.

The report was accepted. License granted under the usual conditions.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE MATTERS.

Coun. JOYCE, for the Committee on Legislative Matters, submitted the following:

1. Report on order (referred November 24) that chapter 624 of the Acts of 1952 relative to increasing amounts of pensions, retirement allowances and annuities payable to certain former public employees be accepted—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

2. Report on order (referred December 15) that Corporation Counsel prepare legislation whereby the Franklin Park Zoo would receive financial aid from the Commonwealth—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

3. Report on order (referred June 11, 1951) to extend time limit for choice of pension plan by city employees—recommending no further action necessary.

The report was accepted.

4. Report on resolution (referred June 14, 1951) opposing Senate Bill 659 re reduction of unemployment compensation—recommending no further action necessary.

The report was accepted.

5. Report on resolution (referred April 17, 1950) to make a study of question of rent control legislation—recommending no further action necessary.

The report was accepted.

6. Report on resolution (referred March 5, 1951) recording opposition to adoption of sales tax either in the City of Boston or in the Commonwealth—recommending no further action necessary.

The report was accepted.

7. Report on order (referred October 9, 1950) that the Corporation Counsel prepare legislation calling for home rule status for Boston and for division of cost of operation of Suffolk County among cities and towns within the county—recommending no further action necessary.

The report was accepted.

SKELETON FORCE IN DEPARTMENTS ON DECEMBER 26TH.

Coun. WARD offered the following:

Ordered, That his Honor, the Mayor, request all department heads to put on a skeleton crew on Friday, December 26th, the day after the holiday, for all city employees.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

ELECTRIC STREET LIGHTS ON BUENA VISTA AND FENNO STREETS.

Coun. KERRIGAN and HURLEY offered the following:

Ordered, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to install electric street lights on Buena Vista street, between Fenno street and Walnut avenue, near St. Richards Church; and on Fenno street, between Buena Vista and Rockland streets, near the rectory.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS.

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

Report on petition of Sadie Bithoney (referred November 24) to be paid an annuity on account of the death of her son, Joseph Bithoney, 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 one thousand dollars be allowed and paid to Sadie Bithoney, mother of Joseph Bithoney, a member of the Fire Department who died on September 29, 1952, 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.

The report was accepted, and the order was passed.

RECESS.

On motion of Councillor Piemonte the Council voted at 3.02 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 at 4.16 P.M. by President PIEMONTE.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

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

1. Report on message of the Mayor (referred today) for contracts for collection of refuse and garbage—that same be placed on file.

The report was accepted, and the message was placed on file.

2. Report on message of the Mayor and nine orders (referred today) for naming of various intersections in honor of deceased veterans—that same ought to pass.

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

Adjourned at 4.18 P.M., on motion of Councillor Hurley, to meet on Monday, December 29, 1952, 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 29, 1952.

Regular meeting of the City Council held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 2 P.M., President PIEMONTE in the chair, and all the members present.

The meeting was opened with the salute to the Flag.

VETO OF ORDER INCREASING SALARY OF MEMBERS OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 29, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I return herewith, without my signature, and disapproved, the order for the acceptance of chapter 586 of the Acts of 1952, which provides salary increases for members of the Police Department.

The annual cost of providing the increases as set forth in the above-mentioned act would be in the vicinity of \$1,800,000, which sum includes similar increases which would customarily be granted to members of the Fire Department. Of itself, this amount would mean a tax-rate increase of \$1.25, and would also result in a concerted demand on the part of all other employees for similar increases.

In 1953 it is my intention to include in the annual budget increases for policemen and fire-fighters which will cost the city about \$850,000 annually. This is the best and most which can be done under present circumstances.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Placed on file.

TRAFFIC SIGNALS AT BOYLSTON AND IPSWICH STREETS, WARD 5.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 29, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Traffic Commissioner relative to your order of December 15, 1952, concerning a request for the installation of traffic lights on the corner of Boylston street and Ipswich street, in Ward 5, and at 1255 Boylston street.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

Boston Traffic Commission,
December 23, 1952.

Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:
With reference to Council order of December 15, 1952, ordering that the Traffic Commission be requested to install traffic lights at the corner of Boylston and Ipswich streets and at 1255 Boylston street, in Ward 5, I wish to report that we have traffic lights which were installed on November 21, 1951, at Boylston, Hemenway, and Ipswich streets.

It is assumed, therefore, that the request is for traffic lights at the opposite end of Ipswich street.

Consideration will be given to this Council order, including the location at 1255 Boylston street.

There is now pending an appropriation order for traffic signal lights to be installed in 1953 and the locations which will be selected for our

1953 program will be more definite when that appropriation is made available.

Sincerely yours,
WM. ARTHUR REILLY, Commissioner.
Placed on file.

EXTENSION OF DATE OF APPEAL BEFORE COMPENSATION REVIEW BOARD.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, December 29, 1952.
To the City Council.
Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith communication from the Budget Commissioner relative to your order of December 15, 1952, concerning the request that the final date of appeal to the Mayor's Compensation Review Board be extended until December 22, 1952.

Respectfully,
J. B. HYNES, Mayor.

City of Boston,
Budget Department, December 29, 1952.
Hon. John B. Hynes,
Mayor of Boston.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

I am in receipt of City Council order passed December 15, 1952, and reading as follows:

"Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor direct that the final date of appeal to the Mayor's Compensation Review Board be extended until December 22, 1952, or until such other time as in his judgment seems advisable."

The Compensation Review Board, of which I am chairman, has already voted to extend the date for filing appeals by city employees to December 22, 1952. The committee also is inclined to accept appeals filed subsequent to December 22, 1952, by individual employees, provided a reasonable explanation can be given for the delay.

Very truly yours,
JOHN A. SULLIVAN,
Budget Commissioner.

Placed on file.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

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

Claims.

Robert G. Brown, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Cobb's Five and Ten Cent Store, Inc., for compensation for damage to property at 138 Cambridge street, Boston, caused by negligent maintenance of sewerage system.

William A. Epner, for compensation for damage to car by car of Park Department.

William J. Hammond, Jr., to be reimbursed as result of accident which occurred while in performance of duty as employee of Fire Department.

William E. & Milda G. Matthews, to be reimbursed for expenses incurred in making repairs to sewer pipes at 934 Hyde Park avenue.

Wrentham State School, for compensation for damage to car by city car.

George E. Yanulis, for compensation for damage to car by city truck.

Aspasia George, for compensation for injuries caused by an alleged defect at Malden and Washington streets.

PETITION FOR ANNUITY.

Petition of Florence M. Trainor to be paid annuity on account of death of her husband, Thomas Trainor, late member of Police Department.

Referred to Committee on Claims.

CONTAMINATED SHELLFISH AREAS IN BOSTON HARBOR.

A communication was received from the State Department of Public Health, determining that the waters and flats of Boston Harbor are contaminated for the taking of shellfish.

Placed on file.

SALARIES OF MATRONS AT HOUSE OF DETENTION FOR WOMEN.

The following was received:

City of Boston,
Police Department, December 22, 1952.
Mr. Walter J. Malloy,
City Clerk.

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 weekly basic salaries paid to certain employees of the House of Detention of this department, listed as follows, effective April 1, 1952:

Chief matron, present weekly basic rate, \$61.58, new weekly basic rate, \$65.42.

Assistant chief matron, present weekly basic rate, \$57.74, new weekly basic rate, \$61.58.

Assistant matron, present weekly basic rate, \$55.82, new weekly basic rate, \$59.66.

The above changes in salary are in accordance with general increase of \$3.84 per week granted to all civilian employees of the Police Department.

Very truly yours,

T. F. SULLIVAN, Police Commissioner.
Referred to the Executive Committee.

APPROVAL OF CONSTABLE'S BOND.

The constable's bond of Samuel A. Schneider, having been duly approved by the City Treasurer, was received and approved.

APPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY ASSISTANT ASSESSORS.

Notice was received from Chairman of Board of Assessors of the following appointments approved by the Mayor:

John T. Driscoll, 1085 Washington street, Dorchester, as temporary assistant assessor, effective December 29, 1952, at salary of \$326 a month.

Willard O'Brien, 47 Eliot street, Jamaica Plain, as temporary assistant assessor, effective December 29, 1952, at salary of \$326 a month.

Severally placed on file.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ORDINANCES.

Coun WARD, for the Committee on Ordinances, submitted the following:

1. Report on message of Mayor and order (referred September 29) for acceptance of section 1, chapter 559 of Acts of 1952, relative to construction of incinerators—recommending that same be referred to the Executive Committee.

2. Report on message of the Mayor (referred December 22) requesting action on order of September 29, 1952, for acceptance of section 1 of chapter 559 of the Acts of 1952 relative to the construction of incinerators in certain areas—recommending that same be referred to Executive Committee.

The reports were accepted and said references ordered.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS.

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

Report on petition of Charlotte A. Fleming (referred October 6) to be paid an annuity on account of death of her husband, James A. Fleming, late member of Police 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 fifteen hundred dollars be allowed and paid to Charlotte A. Fleming, widow of James A. Fleming, a member of the Police Department, who died on May 3, 1952, 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 Police Department, Pensions and Annuities.

The report was accepted and the order was passed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS FOR 1952.

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

The Committee on Claims respectfully submits the following report showing the disposition of claims against the city during the municipal year 1952.

For the Committee,
FRANCIS X. JOYCE, Chairman.

Claims pending on January 1, 1952.....	1,285
Claims received during 1952.....	1,005
Total.....	2,290
Claims approved during 1952.....	205
Claims disapproved during 1952.....	603
Reimbursements (claims against city employees—not suits).....	128
Reimbursements (claims against city employees—executions).....	46
Claims pending January 1, 1953.....	1,308
Amount paid on approved claims during 1952.....	\$43,941 31
Amount paid on reimbursements—not suits.....	14,428 27
Amount paid on reimbursements—suits.....	21,521 53
Total amount paid during 1952.....	<u>\$79,891 11</u>

The report was accepted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFIRMATIONS.

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

1. Report on appointments by the Mayor (referred December 22) of Philomena Scanlon, Paul W. Henderson, Francis W. Sprague, and George E. White to be weighers of goods for the term ending April 30, 1953—recommending that appointments be confirmed.

2. Report on appointments by the Mayor (referred December 22) of Philomena Scanlon and Paul W. Henderson to be weighers of coal for the term ending April 30, 1953—recommending that appointments be confirmed.

The reports were accepted, and the question came on confirmation. Committee, Councillors Ahearn and White. Whole number of ballots 8, yeas 8, and the appointments were confirmed.

REQUEST FOR LEGISLATION TO ERECT ARENA FOR INDOOR SPORTS.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:

Whereas, It appears that the Boston Arena, the home for indoor winter sports is to be sold to private industry, thus depriving some fifty Greater Boston athletic teams of a site for school-boy hockey games and other such indoor winter sports and

Whereas, It is a recognized principle that athletics are an important function of our educational program and in the physical development of our youth, and a formidable deterrent to juvenile delinquency; and

Whereas, It appears to be penny wise and pound foolish to adopt or follow any civic policy which does not provide for adequate recreational facilities; and

Whereas, The need is not Boston's alone, but that of the youth of the entire Greater Boston area; and

Whereas, The present Metropolitan District Commission assessment of maintenance costs places a disproportionate share on the taxpayers of Boston, now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That his Honor the Mayor request the Corporation Counsel to prepare and draft suitable legislation authorized establishing a

board to erect and maintain a suitable arena to house indoor sports; the supervision, cost and maintenance of the same to be borne by the communities to be served; with adequate provisions enabling charges to be made for the use and administration of the facilities and acceptance of gifts of moneys from private persons, corporations, or other sources; and such other provisions as may be necessary or desirable to carry out the intent to provide the youth of Greater Boston with facilities to engage in healthful indoor winter sports competitions, and that the same be filed with the General Court.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

INCREASING PENSIONS, RETIREMENT ALLOWANCES, ETC., OF CERTAIN FORMER PUBLIC EMPLOYEES OF SUFFOLK COUNTY.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following:
 Ordered, That chapter 624 of the Acts of 1952, entitled "An Act Relative to Increasing the Amounts of Pensions, Retirement Allowances and Annuities Payable to Certain Former Public Employees," be, and hereby is, accepted by the City Council of Boston, on behalf of the employees of Suffolk County.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

SUMMARY OF WINTER OUTDOOR RECREATIONAL FACILITIES.

Coun. FOLEY offered the following:
 Ordered, That the Board of Recreation be requested to prepare a brief summary of present winter outdoor recreational facilities in the City of Boston, stating in particular:

1. Their observation as to the average number of days during the winter that the flooded skating areas are usable.
2. What facilities have been provided — and what facilities the board thinks should be provided for outdoor basketball.
3. What facilities are provided and what facilities are needed for skiing and similar snow sports, and be it further

Ordered, That said report be furnished to the City Council by January 15, if possible.
 Passed under suspension of the rules.

THE NEXT MEETING.

On motion of Councillor Hurley, the Council voted that when it adjourn it be to meet on Monday, January 5, 1953, at 11 A.M.

SALE OF ELECTION BOOTH.

Coun. HURLEY and KERRIGAN offered the following:

Ordered, That the Board of Election Commissioners be authorized, through his Honor the Mayor, to arrange for the sale of a discontinued election booth located on Buttonwood street, Dorchester, to the Jeffries Point AMVETS Post, No. 143, for use as a headquarters, at a nominal price of \$1.

Referred to Committee on Public Lands.

SERVICES OF EXPERT IN MUNICIPAL FINANCE.

Coun. FOLEY offered the following:
 Ordered, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to allow, under Item 239 of the City Council budget (Professional and Technical Services), for the year 1953, a sum sufficient to obtain the services of a competent, recognized expert in the field of municipal finance for the months of February and March; that said expert be retained for the purpose of making, in behalf of the City Council, a skilled examination of the municipal budget and for the purpose of conducting a basic and thorough examination at budget hearings of all departments at the time of their appearance, toward the end

that the municipal budget for the year 1953 may be examined thoroughly and expertly.

Referred to the Executive Committee.

PRESENTATION OF GAVEL TO PRESIDENT PIEMONTE.

Coun. WARD, in behalf of the members of the Council, presented to President PIEMONTE a gavel in appreciation of his services as President of the Council for the year 1952.

President PIEMONTE expressed his thanks and his appreciation of the consideration and cooperation throughout the year of the Council members, Council attaches and members of the press. (Applause.)

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON INSPECTION OF PRISONS.

Coun. KERRIGAN, 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 1952.

For the Committee,
 JOHN E. KERRIGAN, Chairman.

County of Suffolk,
 Sheriff's Office, June 30, 1952.

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 31, 1951, to June 30, 1952:

	Males.	Fe- males.	Total.
Remaining Dec. 31, 1951.....	130	40	170
Committed from Dec. 31, 1951, to June 30, 1952.....	3,495	400	3,895
Discharges from Dec. 31, 1951, to June 30, 1952.....	3,435	399	3,834
Remaining June 30, 1952.....	188	41	229
Poor debtors remaining Dec. 31, 1951.....			0
Poor debtors committed from Dec. 31, 1951, to June 30, 1952.....			2
Poor debtors discharged from Dec. 31, 1951, to June 30, 1952.....			2
Escapes.....			2
Recaptures.....			2
Insane.....			23
Deaths.....			0

Respectfully submitted,
 FREDERICK R. SULLIVAN, Sheriff.

County of Suffolk,
 Sheriff's Office, December 29, 1952.

To 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, 1952, to December 29, 1952:

	Fe- Males.	males.	Total.
Remaining June 30, 1952.....	188	41	229
Committed from June 30 to Dec. 29, 1952.....	3,687	442	4,129
Discharges from June 30 to Dec. 29, 1952.....	3,715	464	4,179
Remaining December 29, 1952.....	160	21	181
Poor debtors remaining June 30, 1952.....			0
Poor debtors committed from June 30 to December 29, 1952.....			5
Poor debtors discharged from June 30 to December 29, 1952.....			5
Escapes.....			0
Insane.....			18
Deaths.....			1

Respectfully submitted,
 FREDERICK R. SULLIVAN,
 Sheriff and Jailer.

Suffolk County,
House of Correction, June 18, 1952.
To the Inspectors of the 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, 1951, to June 15, 1952:

Remaining December 15, 1951.....	502
Committed.....	1,373
Discharged.....	1,296
Remaining June 15, 1952.....	579

SHOWING HOW DISCHARGED.

Expiration of sentence.....	781
Expiration of sentence and fine paid.....	27
Permit of Penal Commissioner.....	427
Fine paid and permit of Penal Commissioner.....	3
Order of the courts.....	7
Died.....	2
Escaped.....	3
Transferred to:	
Boston Psychopathic Hospital.....	1
Boston State Hospital.....	3
Charles Street Jail.....	4
Massachusetts Reformatory at Concord.....	5
Norfolk Prison Colony.....	1
State Farm at Bridgewater.....	28
Grafton State Hospital.....	2
Barnstable House of Correction.....	2

Respectfully submitted,
ROBERT F. MACKIE, Master.

Suffolk County,
House of Correction, December 22, 1952.
To the Inspectors of the 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, 1952, to December 15, 1952:

Remaining June 15, 1952.....	579
Committed.....	1,597
Discharged.....	1,676
Remaining December 15, 1952.....	500

SHOWING HOW DISCHARGED.

Expiration of sentence.....	959
Expiration of sentence and permit of Penal Commissioner.....	5
Expiration of sentence and fine paid.....	38
Fine paid and permit of Penal Commissioner.....	5
Permit of Penal Commissioner.....	602
Order of the court.....	1
Escaped.....	1
Transferred to:	
Boston State Hospital.....	2
Charles Street Jail.....	6
Massachusetts Reformatory at Concord.....	4
State Farm at Bridgewater.....	51
Barnstable House of Correction.....	1
Danvers State Hospital.....	1

Respectfully submitted,
ROBERT F. MACKIE, Master.

The report was accepted.

RECESS.

On motion of Councillor Joyce, the Council voted at 2:44 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 PIEMONTE at 5:07 P.M.

COMMENDATIONS TO BERNARD O'SULLIVAN.

On motion of the full Body, Bernard O'Sullivan, an attaché of the City Council, who has been called to the armed services, was escorted to the rostrum, and presented a token of affection and appreciation for his services.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS.

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

1. Report on order (referred January 21) re veterans' graves, extension of burials to allied forces in Korean conflict—recommending no further action necessary.

The report of the committee was accepted.

2. Report on order (referred today) for allowance in 1953 budget of a sum to obtain services of competent, recognized expert in field of municipal finance for February and March, 1953—recommending reference to Committee on Rules.

The report of the committee was accepted and said reference ordered.

3. Report on communication of Police Commissioner (referred today) relative to increasing weekly basic salaries of matrons in the House of Detention—recommending passage of the following order:

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 \$65.42 a week, to take effect as of April 1, 1952.

Assistant chief matron at \$61.58 a week, to take effect as of April 1, 1952.

Assistant matron at \$59.66 a week, to take effect as of April 1, 1952.

The report of the committee was accepted and the order was passed.

4. Report on order (referred today) for acceptance of chapter 624 of Acts of 1952, relative to increasing pensions, etc., to certain former public employees of Suffolk County—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the order was passed.

5. Report on new draft of ordinance (referred December 22) concerning salaries of certain officials, as amended, by increasing the salaries of four assessors from \$7,500 to \$8,500 a year—recommending passage of the ordinance.

Said ordinance is as follows:

An Ordinance Concerning the Salaries of Certain Officials.

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 5, as amended, and inserting in place thereof the following:

SECT. 5. Holders of the following offices shall receive the annual salaries respectively set against such offices, which salaries shall, except as otherwise provided by ordinance, be in full for all services rendered to the city and county, shall be apportionable in the event of service for only part of a year, and shall be subject to deduction for any and all sums due to the city or county from such office holders:

1. The chairman of the board of assessors, ten thousand five hundred dollars; and the other four members of said board, eighty-five hundred dollars each.

2. The city auditor, twelve thousand five hundred dollars.

3. The budget commissioner, ninety-five hundred dollars.

4. The building commissioner, eleven thousand dollars.

5. The city clerk, nine thousand dollars.

6. The clerk of committees of the city council, seven thousand and sixty dollars; the assistant clerk of committees, fifty-four hundred and sixty dollars; and the two secretaries in the clerk of committees department, thirty-eight hundred and sixty dollars each.

7. The city collector, ten thousand five hundred dollars.

8. The corporation counsel, twelve thousand five hundred dollars.

9. The chairman of the board of election commissioners, eighty-five hundred dollars; and the other three members of said board, seventy-five hundred dollars each.

10. The fire commissioner, twelve thousand dollars.

11. The health commissioner, ten thousand five hundred dollars.

12. The commissioner of institutions, ninety-five hundred dollars.

13. The city messenger, seven thousand and sixty dollars; the assistant city messenger, forty-eight hundred and sixty dollars; the second assistant city messenger, thirty-eight hundred and sixty dollars; the document clerk, forty-three hundred and sixty dollars; the assistant document clerk,

thirty-five hundred and sixty dollars; and the two stenographer-clerks in the city messenger department, thirty-five hundred and sixty dollars each.

14. The chairman of the board of park commissioners, ten thousand five hundred dollars.

15. The penal institutions commissioner, eighty-five hundred dollars.

16. The superintendent of printing, nine thousand dollars.

17. The superintendent of public buildings, eighty-five hundred dollars.

18. The commissioner of public works, twelve thousand dollars.

19. The chairman of the board of real estate commissioners, eighty-five hundred dollars.

20. The city registrar, eight thousand dollars.

21. The chairman of the board of trustees of the statistics department, forty-seven hundred and sixty dollars.

22. The chairman of the board of street commissioners, eighty-five hundred dollars; and the other two members of said board, seventy-five hundred dollars each.

23. The superintendent of supplies, ninety-five hundred dollars.

24. The chairman of the Boston traffic commission, ninety-five hundred dollars.

25. The city treasurer, ten thousand five hundred dollars.

26. The director of veterans' services and soldiers' relief commissioner, eighty-five hundred dollars.

27. The scaler of weights and measures, seven thousand dollars.

Each member of the board of appeal shall receive for every day or part thereof of actual service twenty-five dollars; but in no event shall any member of said board receive in any one year more than thirty-five hundred dollars in the aggregate for services rendered by him under the building code and the zoning law. Each member of the board of examiners, and the appointive member of the board of examiners of gasfitters, shall receive for every day or part thereof of actual service fifteen dollars, but in no event more than fifteen hundred dollars in any one year.

The deputy assessors shall be compensated as if they held an office allocated to Grade No. 30 of the compensation plan from time to time in effect for Suffolk County; and the assistant assessors shall be compensated as if they held an office allocated to Grade No. 15, of said compensation plan; and the auctioneer in the real estate department shall be compensated as if he held a position allocated to Grade No. 30 of said compensation plan.

SECT. 2. The provisions of section one of this ordinance relating to the deputy assessors, the assistant assessors, and the auctioneer in the real estate department shall take effect as of April 2, 1952. The provisions of said section one relating to the members of the board of appeal, the board of examiners, and the board of examiners of gasfitters shall take effect on January 1, 1953. The other provisions of said section one shall take effect on December 31, 1952.

The report of the committee was accepted. The ordinance as submitted by the Mayor on December 15, 1952, was rejected.

Coun. HALLER moved to amend the ordinance in the new draft, by striking out in clauses 1 to 27, inclusive, the salaries of officials appearing therein and inserting in place thereof the present salaries of such officials.

The amendment was lost.

The ordinance as submitted by the Executive Committee was passed.

6. Report on order (referred December 22) repealing from County Classification and Compensation Plan insofar as they relate to County Treasurer, County Auditor, and Deputy County Auditor—that same ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the order was passed.

REQUEST TO FLOOD ALL PLAY AREAS FOR SKATING.

Coun. PIEMONTE offered the following: Whereas, It appears that the playgrounds in the Hyde Park area of Boston have been overlooked as a medium for the sport of skating; and

Whereas, It has been evidenced that there is a great demand for this type of sport in Hyde Park; and

Whereas, The time for this outdoor sport is limited and dependent on weather conditions; be it

Resolved, That the Park Commissioner be requested, through his Honor the Mayor, to make a special effort to flood all the available play areas in the Hyde Park section of Boston and all other sections of Boston; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be forthwith transmitted to the Park Commissioner. The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

REQUEST THAT LIMITATION OF \$500 INCREASE NOT APPLY IN 1953.

Coun. FOLEY offered the following:

Whereas, Adjustments in salary schedules in excess of \$500 have been made by ordinance for certain positions presently substantially compensated; and

Whereas, Equity and fairness requires equal treatment for all employees; be it therefore

Resolved, That it is the sense of the Boston City Council that the limitation of the \$500 increase under the personnel reclassification applied to employees so affected should not be applied in the municipal year 1953.

The resolution was adopted under suspension of the rules.

VARIOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING CITY EMPLOYEES.

On motion of Councillor Piemonte the Council voted to take from the table No. 2 on the Calendar, viz.:

2. Message of the Mayor of June 30, 1952, relative to various information concerning city employees.

On further motion of Councillor Piemonte the message was referred to the Executive Committee.

DETAILED INFORMATION RE OUTSTANDING GASOLINE LICENSES.

On motion of Councillor Piemonte the Council voted to take from the table No. 3 on the Calendar, viz.:

3. Message of the Mayor of November 24, 1952, relative to Board of Street Commissioners furnishing detailed information regarding outstanding gasoline licenses.

On further motion of Councillor Piemonte the message was referred to the Executive Committee.

Adjourned at 6.49 P.M., on motion of Councillor Ward, to meet on Monday, January 5, 1953, 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.)



