TO: Members of our City Government, Citizens and Friends

FROM: The Mayor and Board of Aldermen

I am pleased to present this new brochure detailing, in words and pictures, the dynamic progress that has been made in your city during 1967. Nashua today is truly a city on the move. To give you a few examples:

First of all, we have acquired a capable, well qualified, full-time city planner. This appointment will benefit the city in many ways.

What's more, another year of record-breaking industrial expansion and construction has taken place. And as 1967 draws to a close, we envision a population ranging from between 50,000 and 55,000 by the year 1970. Housing for the elderly is now under construction on Tyler Street. A vocational school site has been acquired. Also, an extensive water pollution protection program is being planned.

Today, we have a fine zoning board. There have also been progressive changes in traffic and the public works department. We have saved $50,000 on Spit Brook Road, and have stopped costly housing development where the new second bridge will be located.

Yes, our splendid city is on the march—and with your help, it can and will march at a new accelerated pace.

The Board of Aldermen and I take this opportunity to welcome your continued interest and suggestions concerning needed improvements. We sincerely hope this report will encourage you to be even more active as we work together to make Nashua a finer place in which to live.

DENNIS J. SULLIVAN, Mayor
CITY GOVERNMENT 1966-1967

Front Row: Left to right Aldermen at Large Maurice L. Bouchard, Maurice L. Arel, Gerard J. Gauthier*, Mayor Dennis J. Sullivan, Aldermen at Large Francis LaFlamme, Maurice L. Noel, John V. Chesson.
Third Row: Left to right City Clerk Edward Leblanc, City Treasurer Edward R. Benoit, Aldermen Bertrand J. Bouchard, Robert A. Dion, City Solicitor Leo R. Lesieur.

The continuing growth pattern of the City of Nashua is reflected by the increased activity in the Assessors Office during 1967.

The 1967 total valuation of the city was $108,294,270, an increase of more than eight million dollars and the largest in the history of the city. This all time high resulted from home construction, new industrial plants and commercial buildings, building additions and alterations.

Nashua's tax rate for 1967 was $78.40 reflecting an increase of $2.40 per thousand.

The Assessors mailed out 12,752 property inventories during the year and veteran's exemptions reached an all time high of $3,466,625, an increase of $137,075.

During the year, members of the Board of Assessors met with many prospective home buyers to give them information regarding the tax structure and many other relative questions. A number of conferences were also held with manufacturers planning additions and changes to their plants as well as out-of-state firms desiring to locate in Nashua.

ZONING BOARD

New residential construction continued to be on the upswing through 1967. A total of 979 residential permits were issued. Another 117 permits were issued for alterations and additions.

Non-residential construction . . . everything from office and industrial building to administration building, an antenna tower, gasoline service stations, schools, signs, sheds and a host of other construction required a total of 158 permits in these fields. Alterations and additions for industrial buildings, stores, storage sheds, funeral homes and other structures required 32 permits.

All told, a total of 1,286 permits were issued for residential and non-residential construction.

Building Code Report

Inspections from January 2, 1967 to December 31, 1967 totaled 1,483. A total of 73 building violations and 52 electrical violations were corrected.

Receipts for all building, electrical and plumbing permits came to $10,931.00.
Planning Board

FRED McCUTCHEON, City Planning Director
WILLIAM M. GRADY, JR., Chairman
EDGAR R. CARON, Vice Chairman
S. RAYMOND DESMARAI S
DAVID W. ELDREDGE
DOUGLAS D. ROBERTSON, Clerk
FRED D. TIRRELL
DENNIS SULLIVAN, Mayor
ARTHUR L. BARRETT, JR., Alderman
JOEL B. HILL, City Engineer

Following an intensive job of recruiting and screening candidates for the position of planning director, a candidate was hired in 1967. The new planner reported for duty in June, following completion of his master's studies. The new planner soon hired a planning assistant and a secretary to fill authorized and budgeted positions on the staff.

The planning board launched two major projects in 1967 in addition to its endless task of reviewing subdivision plans. The first of these projects was developing a series of amendments to the Land Subdivision Ordinance which would result in up-grading the quality of street improvements in new subdivisions.

The second project was developing a five-year capital budget program to help guide the Mayor and Aldermen in making fiscal policy decisions and establish project priorities. Work on the capital budget afforded the board a glimpse of the work load which faces them in the months and years ahead. With the assistance of a planning staff, the planning board looks forward to an imaginative and active planning program for the city.

Nashua Fire Department

ALBERT L. TANGUAY, Fire Chief

COMMISSIONERS:
JOHN H. McLAUGHLIN
ROLAND F. LAROSE
LEO E. CARLE

In the area of public safety, the Nashua Fire Department answered a total of 1,095 alarms during 1967, 261 of these being emergency alarms. The building fire loss for the year was $405,984 while contents loss was $632,493 amounting to a per capita loss of $13.45. Fire Department personnel participated in 260 training sessions dealing with manual and mechanical resuscitation, use of fire fighting tools, gas mask training, first aid, salvage operations and other subjects. Company officers conducted 385 drills supervised by the Superintendent of Training.

Additional call boxes were installed in the city's system during 1967 bringing the present total to 306 boxes. All boxes in the system were tested six times during the year and school fire alarm systems were tested 30 times in a constant and continuing program to maintain the system in a reliable operating condition.

During the year, members of the Fire Prevention Bureau made 6,851 inspection calls to private homes, stores, plants, schools, churches and other buildings.
Today there are 72 officers in the Nashua Police Department. These dedicated officers deserve commendation for the job they do. Today the police officer is called upon to undertake a variety of difficult, complicated, and often dangerous tasks. If an officer is to succeed, he must have certain qualities of character, the basic skills required of a law enforcement officer, and an intense determination to be a good policeman.

What’s more, today’s police officer must have the training required to keep him abreast of the rapid changes in law enforcement procedure. His is a demanding job. People who break laws usually are very abusive, and many times make all sorts of exaggerated charges and accusations against the arresting officer.

**During 1967 the Nashua Police Department . . .**
- Logged 18,297 requests for police service.
- Provided protection for 1,256 money transfers.
- Traveled 475,000 miles patrolling city streets.
- Charged 1,161 persons with offenses.
- Investigated 8 motor vehicle fatalities.
- Located 52 missing persons.

This is but a partial list of police activities, but it gives one an idea of the variety of service our police officers provide. Yet they found the time to attend courses and seminars conducted by St. Anselm’s College, The Federal Bureau of Investigation, the New Hampshire State Police, the Federal Bureau of Drug Abuse Control, the Federal Bureau of Narcotics, and the U.S. Customs Service, held during 1967.
Office of the City Clerk

This office maintains the records for the city, the Mayor and the Aldermen. It also collects fees for permits to register motor vehicles which, in 1967, amounted to $423,543.25, and other license fees which amounted to $30,167.03.

The Office of the City Clerk also maintains the records for Nashua's vital statistics which showed 1,706 births, 584 deaths, 834 marriages and 27,859 auto registrations during 1967.

The city's welfare programs are also conducted by this office and showed expenditures of $117,065.17 or $2.54 per capita in 1967. These figures are recognized as irrevocable proof and evidence of the community's affluence and well-conducted welfare efforts which include a city program as well as contributions to Old Age Assistance, Old Age Assistance for Aliens, Aid to the Partially and Totally Disabled, and Aid to the Needy Blind programs.

YOUR BUDGET DOLLAR

Revenues

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$9,651,994.97
### Office of the City Treasurer and Tax Collector

The City Treasurer and Tax Collector's office reported collections of $7,458,598.23 in property taxes during the year 1967.

This office issued $2,225,000.00 in new bonds; retired $600,000.00 in old bonds and attained an income of $66,189.61 from investments of bonded capital not currently being used.

The City Treasurer and his staff maintain their office with that of the City Clerk's providing a more efficient use of clerical personnel. This also results in better service and more personal attention for persons calling at these offices.

### Table: Expenditures

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Department of Public Works

MEMBERS:
JOEL B. HILL, City Engineer and Public Works Director
PAUL BELANGER, Superintendent of Streets
J. GILMORE SHEA, Superintendent of Treatment Plant
ARTHUR RIOUX, Superintendent of Equipment
LIONEL GUILBERT, Office Manager

1967 again topped all previous growth figures for the city. 604 single family residences were built and 197 apartments were constructed in 19 multi-family structures. This continued building activity required more streets, sewers, drainage and all Public Works services.

Streets
Fifty streets were accepted by the city in 1967. About half of them have been surfaced with approximately 200,000 gallons of tar. About forty miles of old streets were resealed with liquid bitumens and three miles of arterial and major streets were repaved with hot asphaltic concrete.

Sewer Construction
The city constructed 5,402 feet of sanitary sewer in 28 locations in the city, and 1,545 feet of storm sewer and 13 catch basins to correct 7 serious drainage problems.

Two major interceptor projects were started in the fall . . . Hassell's Brook Interceptor and the South Merrimack River Interceptor Extension.

The West Central Storm Separation Project advanced well, but the Federal Department of Housing and Urban Development has not yet authorized construction or agreed to participation.

A study was approved which revises preliminary plans for the depollution of the Nashua and Merrimack Rivers to their present classifications and allows for future upgrading of both rivers to a “B” classification which will permit recreational enjoyment of these rivers.

Sanitary sewer service was extended to 18 streets; storm sewer service to 6 streets; sanitary sewer service by the developers to 36 streets in the area.
Nashua's rapid growth is reflected in the increased enrollment in the city's schools during the past ten years. For example, in 1957, there were 4,963 pupils enrolled in the public school system. In September of 1967, the number increased to 8,462.

During the same period, the per-pupil cost changed from $279.61 to $357.49 for an elementary pupil and from $374.84 to $467.91 for a junior high pupil. The 1967 cost per senior high pupil was $584.55.

In 1967, Nashua added a new junior high school, built an addition to the senior high school, added two new 20-room elementary schools and started construction on a third. Additions were also made to four other elementary schools. The city invested a total of $6,915,000 in school building construction during 1967.

With the continued growth of the city and its resultant increases in school population, it is faced with the immediate necessity of a new high school, the possibility of a new junior high school and additional elementary facilities in the future.

The extent of Nashua's bonded indebtedness for schools permitted by law is approximately $17,000,000. The amount outstanding at present is $6,094,000.

One of the city's new schools reflects the growth of Nashua's population.
1967 has been a year of gratification in the increased use of library facilities. Circulation and reference statistics in the Librarian's report indicate clearly that the book has become a part of people's lives in Nashua.

For the first time in the library's history, over 400,000 volumes circulated—approximately 375,000 more volumes than when the library first opened its doors in 1903.

Today, student and adult demands on the library facilities increase each month. Requests involve a far more advanced and specialized range of subjects than ever before.

The total number of fiction and non-fiction books purchased, both adult and juvenile, came to 8,299 volumes. Another 217 books were acquired as gifts.

Framed reproductions, phonograph records and films acquired during the year came to 554 items.

Film showings both inside and outside the library numbered 843, and reached a total audience of 29,823 persons.

There were 22,447 registered active adult and juvenile borrowers at the library during 1967.

*Nashua has two public libraries in addition to bookmobile service.*
Park and Recreation Department

Nashua long has been known as a fine recreational area. Beautiful parks and playgrounds, plus the development of a wide variety of recreational programs, including sports, aquatic activities, social and cultural events are available to everyone. The Park-Recreation Commission’s scope has enlarged considerably during the past few years.

There are 19 playgrounds here, twice as many as in the state’s largest city. Also nine ice skating areas are nearby. Several excellent ski areas are located here in the southern part of the state. Softball, swimming in the city’s three pools and several public and private beaches are in the area.

Baseball, basketball, football . . . the “season” for sports activities lasts the year-round in Nashua and the vicinity. Greeley Park is the most popular outing area in the Gate City. Here you’ll find swings and slides for the youngsters, and a large grassy area for play. The park has a dozen barbecue pits and outdoor barbecues flourish.

Greeley Park, one of the state’s finest areas of its type, is located in Nashua.

Sports play an important part in a Nashua schoolboy’s life.
Revitalization of the Health Department is one of the major projects planned for 1968, states Mayor Dennis J. Sullivan. It will take advantage of all the federal and state grants available to promote public health. This past year was an extremely busy one in the continuing inspection of the many restaurants, food markets, food warehouses, school cafeterias, food catering services and other food establishments.

One of the most important areas in the health program is the continuous checking of milk. The total number of milk analyses came to 3,462 checks. Milk licenses, including store milk and dealer licenses, totaled 100.

Home calls for communicable diseases and for parochial school supervision totaled 415. The number of children's diseases reported came to 363. Clinics held, innoculations and tests given, injections and vaccinations came to a total of 1,849.

Thus, the city is on the alert, guarding our citizen's health. During the past year total expenditures in the Health Department amounted to $76,579.83.

The new St. Joseph's Hospital opened its doors on July 10, 1967. The hospital has 134 beds for adults and children.

The Nashua YWCA/YMCA features the most up-to-date facilities.
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR .................................................. 883-3341
ASSESSOR'S OFFICE ................................................... 882-5165
CITY CLERK ............................................................... 883-3771
CITY WELFARE OFFICE ................................................ 883-7061
CIVIL DEFENSE .......................................................... 882-7111
NASHUA FIRE DEPARTMENT ......................................... 883-3351
BOARD OF HEALTH ....................................................... 883-8921
OVERSEER OF PUBLIC WELFARE ................................ 883-7061
PARK-RECREATION OFFICE ......................................... 883-8581
POLICE HEADQUARTERS .............................................. 883-7743
CITY LIBRARIAN'S OFFICE ........................................... 883-3251
PUBLIC WORKS OFFICE .............................................. 883-5211
CITY DUMP ................................................................. 883-3172
CITY ENGINEER'S OFFICE ............................................ 883-5851
SEWERAGE TREATMENT PLANT ..................................... 883-7471
SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS .................................... 883-3192
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS .................................... 883-7791
SEALER OF WEIGHTS & MEASURES ................................. 883-7932
TAX COLLECTOR'S OFFICE ........................................... 883-8321