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The present average rate of taxation for the year 1942 of the Right or Interest of the Chinese tenants is approximately \$7.28 per acre on land and improvements, which is approximately one third of the taxes levied on similar land elsewhere in the City. If taxation of the tenants is continued at this rate and all taxes paid promptly it would take approximately 6 years to reimburse the City for its outlay on the water service. Nevertheless, the Committee tentatively approved of the scheme provided satisfactory arrangements can be made whereby the Department of Indian Affairs will accept responsibility for seeing that taxes and water rates are paid promptly by the tenants.

The approval of the Committee would also be subject to permission for the City to lay the pipe on Marine Drive outside the City limits being obtained, and to arrangements being made with the Priorities Board for the supply of the necessary water pipe and other materials.

Yours faithfully,

Jas. L. Armstrong,  
Collector of Taxes.

Sgd. Per..H..G..Christie

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