

April 20th, 2010

The Regular Meeting of the St. John's Municipal Council was held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 4:30 p.m. today.

His Worship the Mayor presided.

There were present also Deputy Mayor Duff; Councillors O'Leary, Hickman, Hann, Breen, Galgay, Tilley, Hanlon and Collins

Regrets: Councillor Colbert

The City Manager, the Deputy City Manager/Director of Corporate Services and City Clerk; Deputy City Manager/Director of Public Works and Parks, Director of Planning, Director of Engineering, Senior Legal Counsel and Manager, Corporate Secretariat were also in attendance.

Call to Order and Adoption of the Agenda

SJMC2010-04-20/211R

It was decided on motion of Councillor Tilley; seconded by Councillor Collins: That the Agenda be adopted as presented with the following additional item:

- a. **Letter dated April 16, 2010 from Mr. John Walsh, 2 Duckworth Street
Re Civic Nos. 32-34-36 Temperance Street**

Adoption of Minutes

SJMC2010-04-20/212R

It was decided on motion of Deputy Mayor Duff; seconded by Councillor Hanlon: That the minutes of the April 12th, 2010 meeting be adopted as presented.

Other Matters

Councillor Hann acknowledged the presence in the Chamber of Mr. Cecil Whitten, Chairperson and Cerebral Palsy Association Rep. and Mr. Ron Ellsworth, Citizen

Representative, Para Transit Committee and asked that the following Committee report be dealt with at this time. Council concurred.

Para Transit Advisory Committee Report dated April 8th, 2010

Council considered the following Para Transit Advisory Committee Report dated April 8th, 2010:

Attendees: Cecil Whitten, Chairperson and Cerebral Palsy Association Rep.
Councillor Tom Hann
Councillor Debbie Hanlon
Bill Westcott, Epilepsy NL
Margaret Murphy, CNIB Rep
Ted Warren, Multiple Sclerosis Rep
Vera Parsons, ILRC
Lori Shea, Canadian Council of the Blind
Ron Ellsworth, Citizen Representative
Scott Lush, City of Mount Pearl
Beverly Griffiths, Dept. of Health and Community Services
Robert Bishop, Director of Finance & City Treasurer
Susan Ralph, Para Transit Coordinator
Karen Chafe, Recording Secretary

1. **Para Transit Modules for Website**

The Committee recommends Council's approval of the attached modules which will be posted to the City's website pending Council's approval:

- Customer Feedback Form
- Para-Transit Application Form
- Eligibility Criteria
- Public Consultation Information
- Appeals Process

2. **Grandfathering of Existing Para-Transit Users**

The Committee on motion of Ron Ellsworth; seconded by Ted Warren recommends Council's approval of the following motion:

That effective immediately (subject to the date of Council's approval), all current users of the City's Para Transit system currently operated by Wheelway Inc. be automatically grandfathered in as eligible users under the City's new para transit contract taking effect January 2011.

Applications received after the effective date of Council's approval will be subject to the attached eligibility criteria pending Council's approval of such.

**Cecil Whitten
Chairperson**

SJMC2010-04-20/213R

It was moved by Councillor Hann; seconded by Councillor Tilley: That the Committee's recommendations be approved.

The motion being put was unanimously carried.

Notices Published

1. Proposed Condominium Hotel Development, Civic Numbers 32-34-36 Temperance Street (Ward 2) Applicant: Nolan Hall Real Estate Ltd.

**Memorandum dated April 15th, 2010 from the Director of Planning
Eighteen (18) Submissions of Objection and/or Concern**

Council considered a memorandum dated April 15th, 2010 from the Director of Planning along with a letter dated April 15, 2010 from Mr. Philip Pratt, Architect, PHB Group on behalf of Nolan Hall Real Estate Ltd., regarding the proposed land use assessment report amendments. Also considered was a view plane analysis of the proposed development as prepared by the City's Department of Planning.

SJMC2010-04-20/214R

It was moved by Councillor Galgay; seconded by Councillor Hann: That before making a decision on the application that a public meeting be held on the proposed design changes to the condominium hotel project.

Discussion ensued during which Councillor Hanlon indicated her support of holding a public meeting, but noted she wouldn't want to create false expectations. The Deputy Mayor noted that Council does have some discretion on the amended building design.

Following discussion, the motion being put was unanimously carried.

Development Committee Report dated April 13th, 2010

Council considered the following Development Committee Report dated April 13th, 2010:

RECOMMENDATION OF APPROVAL:

- 1. Proposed Reconstruction of Single Detached Dwelling
Replacement of Dwelling on Non-Conforming Lot
Civic No. 315 Groves Road
Applicant: John Devereaux
Rural Residential Infill (RR1) Zone (Ward 4)**

The Development Committee recommends that this application be approved as a replacement of non-conformity in accordance with Section 7.12.1(c) of the Development Regulations subject to the following conditions:

- a. Government Services Approval Certificate for the Well and Septic field/system; and
- b. Compliance with the requirements of the Departments of Planning and Engineering; and
- c. The required Building Permits must be obtained from Access St. John's prior to the commencement of any development on the site. A house location plan and elevation drawings are to be submitted with the Building application.

- 2. Application for Construction of an Accessory Building
Mr. Jeremy Ruby
Ruby Line (Ward 5)**

The Development Committee recommends that Council approve the above noted application.

**Ronald Penney, Chairperson
City Manager**

SJMC2010-04-20/215R

It was moved by Councillor Hann; seconded by Councillor Collins: That the Committee's recommendations be approved.

The motion being put was unanimously carried.

Public Works & Environment Standing Committee Report dated April 13th, 2010

Council considered the following Public Works & Environment Standing Committee Report dated April 13th, 2010:

In Attendance: Councillor Sandy Hickman, Chairperson
Deputy Mayor Shannie Duff
Councillor Tom Hann
Councillor Danny Breen
Councillor Sheilagh O’Leary
Councillor Bruce Tilley
Councillor Debbie Hanlon
Ron Penney, City Manager
Paul Mackey, Director of Public Works & Parks
Bob Bishop, Director of Finance & City Treasurer
Dave Blackmore, Director of Building & Property Management
Walt Mills, Director of Engineering
Jim Clarke, Manager of Streets & Parks
Brendan O’Connell, Manager of Environmental Services
Jason Sinyard, Manager of Waste Management
Richard Parks, Manager of Fleet Services
Steve Colford, Operations and Systems Engineer
Karen Chafe, Recording Secretary

1. **Department Budget Review**

The Committee recommends that Council schedule special budget review meetings for each standing committee under the auspices of Council of the Whole. The budgets related to some standing committees may be small enough to combine into one review session.

2. **Snow Clearing Equipment: Combination Anti-Icing/Salt Spreaders and Utility Vehicle**

The Committee considered a memorandum dated April 9th, 2010 from the Deputy City Manager/Director of Public Works & Parks regarding the above noted matter. It should be noted that the units will enhance the City’s current anti-icing/salt spreading capability and provide more flexibility in ice control operations than the current single-purpose units. The Committee on motion of Councillor Hann; seconded by Councillor Breen endorses the following recommendation of staff:

That Council approve a tender call for the purchase of 2 combination anti-icing/salt spreader units (estimated cost \$320,000 each) and 1 utility vehicle (estimated cost of \$50,000). It is further recommended that these units be funded from the salt savings reserve which was established by Council in 2004 for the purpose of further salt reduction initiatives.

3. **Replacement of Sidewalks**

Council considered a request from residents of Calver Avenue to change the criteria for the replacement of streets and sidewalks when safety hazards exist and

the asphalt is deteriorating rapidly. Staff has advised that there is no budget to do this work and noted that there are currently 21 streets in the City in the same condition as Calver Avenue and it will cost \$2.7 million to fix all these streets. If Council wished to do this work over a five year period, it would cost approximately \$500,000 per year which is not within the current budget.

The Committee on motion of Deputy Mayor Duff; seconded by Councillor O’Leary recommends that Council refer to budget review the proposal to establish a separate fund for the replacement and repair of asphalt sidewalks.

Councillor Sandy Hickman
Chairperson

SJMC2010-04-20/216R

Regarding Items #1 and #2: It was moved by Councillor Hickman; seconded by Councillor Hanlon: That the Committee’s recommendations be approved.

The motion being put was unanimously carried.

SJMC2010-04-20/217R

Regarding Item #3 (Replacement of Sidewalks), it was moved by Deputy Mayor Duff; seconded by Councillor Galgay: That the recommendation be amended and that Council refer to budget review a proposal to establish a separate fund in the amount of \$250,000 per year for the replacement and repair of asphalt sidewalks.

The motion being put was carried with Councillor Collins dissenting.

Arts Advisory Committee Report dated March 18th, 2010

Council considered the Arts Advisory Committee Report dated March 18th, 2010.

SJMC2010-04-20/218R

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Duff; seconded by Councillor Tilley: That the report be deferred pending review of additional information.

The motion being was unanimously carried.

Mayor's Advisory Committee on Seniors Report dated March 31st, 2010

Council considered the following Mayor's Advisory Committee on Seniors Report dated March 31st, 2010:

In Attendance: Mr. Frank Lee, Chairperson
Councillor Tom Hann
Councillor Bruce Tilley
Councillor Debbie Hanlon
Dr. Sandra MacDonald (for Dr. Wendy Young)
Ms. Margaret Adey, CARP
Ms. Kelly Heisz, Seniors Resource Centre
Ms. Lorraine Best
Mr. Puran Singh Cheema
Ms. Helen Handrigan, Senior Housing Officer
Ms. Jennifer Langmead, Adult Services Coordinator
Ms. Kelly Butler, Recording Secretary

Regrets: Graham Hill, Heather Hickman, and Dr. Wendy Young

1. Elevator Requirements for Residential Apartment Buildings

The Committee considered correspondence from the Director of Building and Property Manager regarding the above noted matter. The Director's email states that *"in checking with the Province, GSC, their office enforces the CSA standard B44 "Safety Requirements for Elevators" which does not mention sizes, however, they have been asking for NBC requirements since about 2004.....it is usually the municipality's responsibility to insist on the 2500 lb. car or stretcher type elevator car, if an elevator is installed. The City, upon becoming aware of the Province not enforcing the building code requirement, has been identifying the requirement through our plan review."*

It was suggested that a recommendation be made to Council to formally adopt a policy that the City, in approving building plans for residential apartment buildings, require developers to install a 2500 lb. car stretcher type elevator, where an elevator is included in the building plans. This requirement would only apply to new buildings.

The Committee recommends, on motion of Margaret Adey; seconded by Kelly Heisz: That the City require that the installation of a 2500 lb. car stretcher type elevator be mandatory in the construction of all new multi-storey buildings, where an elevator is included as part of the building plans.

2. Committee Terms of Reference re: Number of Council Members Serving on the Committee with Voting Privileges

Councillor Hann advised that during the Committee's last meeting, the above noted matter was raised. He noted that with Standing Committees of Council, all Council

members can attend and can vote on any issue. The same principle applies to Advisory Committees. He noted, however, the Committee could make a recommendation to the effect that if there are more than two members of Council attend a meeting that only two members of Council are permitted to vote on an issue. Mr. Lee indicated that Terms of Reference state that the Committee be comprised of two members of Council. Therefore, the Committee Chair can make that call on which two Councillors can vote on an issue if more than two are in attendance. It was suggested that in order to avoid any confusion, it would be best to amend the Terms of Reference to clearly state that only two Council members can vote on an issue.

Following the discussion, the Committee recommends that the Terms of Reference for the Mayor's Advisory Committee on Seniors be amended as follows:

VOTING: *All members except those who are ex-officio. In cases where there are more than two Council members in attendance at a meeting, the Chair will identify two Council members who may vote on any given issue.*

Frank Lee
Chairperson

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Regarding Item #1 – (Elevator Requirements for Residential Apartment Buildings), it was moved by Councillor Hann; seconded by Councillor Hanlon: That the Committee's recommendation be approved, and that the matter be referred to the Public Works and Environment Committee, with respect to any requirement for change to the City's Development Regulations, with respect to the recommendation.

The motion being put was unanimously carried.

SJMC2010-04-20/220R

Regarding Item #2 – (Committee Terms of Reference), it was moved by Councillor Hann; seconded by Councillor Hanlon: That the recommendation be approved.

The motion being put was unanimously carried.

Development Permits List

Council considered the following Development Permit List for the period April 9th, to April 15th, 2010

**DEVELOPMENT PERMITS LIST
DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING
FOR THE PERIOD OF April 9, 2010 TO April 15, 2010**

Code	Applicant	Application	Location	Ward	Development Officer's Decision	Date
RES	Newfoundland and Labrador Housing Corp.	4 Semi-detached Dwelling Units	Vickers Avenue	3	Approved	10-04-14
COM	Campbell Development Limited	One (1) additional Accessory Dwelling Unit	45 Blackmarsh Road	2	Rejected-Contrary to Section 10.27.1 (Only one (1) Accessory Dwelling Unit permitted)	10-04-14
RES	Patrick & Charmaine Yetman	Demolition & Rebuild of Single-Detached Dwelling	67 Jordan Place	5	Approved	10-04-14

<p>* Code Classification: RES - Residential COM - Commercial AG - Agriculture</p>	<p>INST - Institutional IND - Industrial</p>
<p>** This list is issued for information purposes only. Applicants have been advised in writing of the Development Officer's decision and of their right to appeal any decision to the St. John's Local Board of Appeal.</p>	

Gerard Doran
 Development Officer
 Department of
 Planning

Building Permits List

SJMC2010-04-20/221R

It was decided on motion of Deputy Mayor Duff; seconded by Councillor Breen: That the recommendation of the Director of Building and Property Management with respect to the following Building Permits List be approved:

2010/04/14

Permits List

CLASS: COMMERCIAL

SPARTAN ATHLETIC PRODUCTS	71 O'LEARY AVE	CO RETAIL STORE
EAST COAST TRAIL ASSOCIATION	BLACKHEAD VILLAGE RD.	SN VACANT LAND
INTIMATE DESIRES	3-7 CASHIN AVE	MS RETAIL STORE
CLEARWATER POOLS LIMITED	274 KENMOUNT RD	MS RETAIL STORE

SHOPPERS DRUG MART	250 LEMARCHANT RD	MS RETAIL STORE
A.I.M.E. PHYSIOTHERAPY INC.	204-206 MAIN RD	MS CLINIC
UNIVERSAL CORPORATE WEAR	484-490 MAIN RD	MS RETAIL STORE
DIANE WESTON	164 WATER ST	SN TAVERN
CANADIAN BLOOD SERVICES	7 WICKLOW ST	MS OFFICE
HOMES LIMITED	272 DUCKWORTH ST	RN OFFICE
BOOSTER JUICE	470 TOPSAIL RD, BOOSTER JUICE	RN RETAIL STORE
THE CHURCH LADS' BRIGADE	82 HARVEY RD, MEZZANINE	RN PLACE OF ASSEMBLY
GREGORY STACK	135 CAMPBELL AVE	SW OFFICE
SPIRIT OF NFLD CATERING	6 CATHEDRAL ST	RN MIXED USE
REPUBLIC SEASON 1 INC.	TORBAY AIRPORT, BLDG 25	RN MIXED USE
		THIS WEEK \$ 142,702.00

CLASS: INDUSTRIAL

THIS WEEK \$.00

CLASS: GOVERNMENT/INSTITUTIONAL

EASTERN SCHOOL DISTRICT	435 BACK LINE, SKILLED TRADES	RN SCHOOL
HEALTH CARE CORPORATION OF	188 LEMARCHANT RD	RN HOSPITAL
		THIS WEEK \$ 367,922.00

CLASS: RESIDENTIAL

GUANG SUN	57 AUTUMN DR	NC ACCESSORY BUILDING
GUANG SUN	57 AUTUMN DR	NC FENCE
HANN CONSTRUCTION LTD.	7 BANIKHIN PL, LOT 63	NC SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING
ERCO HOMES	16 BLUE JACKET PL, LOT 70	NC SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING
NEW VICTORIAN HOMES	13 BLUE JACKET PL, LOT 65	NC SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING
DEREK FISHER AND	97 BRAD GUSHUE CRES	NC FENCE
DEREK FISHER AND	97 BRAD GUSHUE CRES	NC ACCESSORY BUILDING
SKYMARK CONTRACTING LTD.	99 BRAD GUSHUE CRES, LOT 158	NC SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING
JAMES HAWCO	11 BURKE PL	NC ACCESSORY BUILDING
DAN MCLEAN	16 CAPE PINE ST	NC ACCESSORY BUILDING
ROBERT LEGROW	7 CANSO PL, LOT 16	NC SINGLE DETACHED & SUB.APT
PRO-TECH CONSTRUCTION LTD	78 CASTLE BRIDGE DR, LOT 32	NC SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING
PRO TECH CONSTRUCTION LTD	67 CASTLE BRIDGE DR, LOT 107	NC SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING
GERARD NOLANDER	20 CORONATION ST	NC ACCESSORY BUILDING
ERCO HOMES	4 DAUNTLESS ST, LOT 81	NC SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING
NEW VICTORIAN HOMES	10 DAUNTLESS ST, LOT 78	NC SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING
GINA & ADELE WALSH	61 FAULKNER ST	NC FENCE
RANDY CAREW	58 FRANCIS ST, LOT 86	NC SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING
SCOTT NEIL	GILLIES RD	NC ACCESSORY BUILDING
RAY CLARKE	26 GOOSEBERRY LANE	NC SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING
PERHAM HOMES LTD	25 HOPEDALE CRES, LOT 159	NC SINGLE DETACHED & SUB.APT
BENJAMIN D. KING, VERA K. KING	65 HOPEDALE CRES	NC ACCESSORY BUILDING
NICOLE PARDY/MICHAEL HARRIS	69 JAMES LANE	NC ACCESSORY BUILDING
REARDON CONSTRUCTION & DEVELOP	21 JENNMAR CRES, LOT 82	NC SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING
REARDON CONSTRUCTION & DEV	41 JENNMAR CRES, LOT 92	NC SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING
DARREN FREAKE	181 LEMARCHANT RD	NC PATIO DECK
FRANK DUKE	15 NORTH DR	NC FENCE
MARK & ALISON NEWELL	9 OSBOURNE ST	NC PATIO DECK
GRANT & JENNIFER STUCKLESS	23 OTTER DR	NC ACCESSORY BUILDING
JOSEPH & BONNIE HEARN	PARK LANE, LOT 2	NC SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING
IAN FUREY	18 SGT. CRAIG GILLAM AVE	NC FENCE
IAN FUREY	18 SGT. CRAIG GILLAM AVE	NC ACCESSORY BUILDING
JAMES ANSTEY	28 SGT. CRAIG GILLAM AVE	NC FENCE

DARREN TAYLOR	30 SPRUCEDALE DR	NC ACCESSORY BUILDING
CHRIS COLLINS	23 SUNSET ST	NC ACCESSORY BUILDING
CHRISTOPHER & ELIZABETH BELBIN	24 WARREN PL	NC ACCESSORY BUILDING
WILLIAM FRANCIS WHITTLE	602 WATER ST	NC FENCE
WILLIAM FRANCIS WHITTLE	602 WATER ST	NC ACCESSORY BUILDING
MR. DARCY WARD	158 MUNDY POND RD	CO HOME OFFICE
CAROLYN RIDEOUT	15 PARLIAMENT ST	CO HOME OCCUPATION
PRO-TECH CONSTRUCTION	1 TRALEE ST, LOT 127	CR SUBSIDIARY APARTMENT
DAVID PENNEY	6 CURTIS PL	EX SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING
PAUL BURT	532 EMPIRE AVE	EX ACCESSORY BUILDING
GERALD TUCK/SUSAN CONRAN-TUCK	2 MORRIS AVE	EX SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING
NADINE WADDEN	84 BRAZIL ST	RN SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING
ANTHONY MA	15 GEAR ST	RN SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING
FAIRVIEW INVESTMENTS LIMITED	53 ICELAND PL	RN SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING
ESTATE OF JAMES FOWLER	15 MAYOR AVE	RN SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING
NICHOLAS & SCOT VINICOMBE	7 MOUNT ROYAL AVE	RN SINGLE DETACHED & SUB.APT
KRISZTINA BAJZAK	17 PINE BUD AVE	RN SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING
HOMETEL	2 ST. JOSEPH'S LANE	RN TOWNHOUSING
HOMETEL	6 ST. JOSEPH'S LANE	RN TOWNHOUSING
HOMETEL	14 ST. JOSEPH'S LANE	RN TOWNHOUSING
TURFI THORARINSON	99 RENNIE'S MILL RD	RN SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING
GERALDINE FRY	52 STIRLING CRES	RN SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING
DAVID OPENSHAW &	32 WILLIAM ST	RN SEMI-DETACHED DWELLING
ROBERT & SONYA MARSH	122 BRANSCOMBE ST	SW SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING
NORMAN & JENNIFER WILLIAMS	22 CORNWALL HTS	SW SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING

THIS WEEK \$ 3,420,374.00

CLASS: DEMOLITION

TOM COADY	6 PRINCE WILLIAM PL	DM SINGLE DETACHED
DWELLING		

THIS WEEK \$ 7,500.00

THIS WEEK'S TOTAL: \$ 3,938,498.00

REPAIR PERMITS ISSUED: 2010/04/08 TO 2010/04/14 \$ 170,400.00

LEGEND

CO	CHANGE OF OCCUPANCY	TI	TENANT IMPROVEMENTS
CR	CHNG OF OCC/RENOVTNS	SN	SIGN
EX	EXTENSION	MS	MOBILE SIGN
NC	NEW CONSTRUCTION	CC	CHIMNEY CONSTRUCTION
OC	OCCUPANT CHANGE	CD	CHIMNEY DEMOLITION
RN	RENOVATIONS	DV	DEVELOPMENT FILE
SW	SITE WORK	DM	DEMOLITION

Payrolls and Accounts

SJMC2010-04-20/222R

It was decided on motion of Deputy Mayor Duff; seconded by Councillor Breen: That the following Payrolls and Accounts for the week ending April 15th, 2010 be approved:

**Weekly Payment Vouchers
For The
Week Ending April 15, 2010**

PAYROLL

Public Works	\$ 295,948.23
Regional Fire Services	\$ 699,277.96
Bi-Weekly Management	\$ 653,743.99
Bi-Weekly Administration	\$ 619,971.25

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE \$ 3,497,000.34

Total: \$ 5,765,941.77

Tenders

- a. Tender – New Full Size SUV
- b. RFP - Aerial Photography and Digital Orthophotography

SJMC2010-04-20/223R

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Duff; seconded by Councillor Breen: That the recommendations of the Director of Finance and City Treasurer and the Director of Engineering be approved and the tenders awarded as follows:

- a. Avalon Ford @ \$41,694.74 (Taxes not included)
- b. Firstbase Solutions @ \$103,621.00

2010 Streets Rehab Program

Council considered a memorandum dated April 15th, 2010 from the Director of Engineering regarding the 2010 Streets Rehab Program.

SJMC2010-04-20/224R

It was moved by Councillor Tilley; seconded by Councillor Hanlon: That the 2010 Streets Rehab Program be approved as presented and that a public tender call be issued for the work.

During discussion, Councillor Tilley tabled a list of recommendations towards more effective planning and communication as street rehabilitation work commences, which was referred to the Director of Engineering as well as the Public Works and Environment Committee for consideration.

Also during discussion, Deputy Mayor Duff asked what the cost to the City would be to adequately maintain City streets on an annual basis. The matter was referred to the Director of Engineering. Councillor Duff also asked for information on the criteria used to evaluate and identify streets for the rehab program.

Councillor Breen stressed the importance of effective communication using the latest technology, in keeping citizens up to date.

Following discussion, the motion being put was unanimously carried.

Proposed Rezoning of Property 24 Torbay Road Ward 1, Applicant: Bellavista Limited

Council considered a memorandum dated April 16th, 2010 from the Director of Planning regarding the above noted.

SJMC2010-04-20/225R

It was moved by Councillor Breen; seconded by Councillor Tilley: That the proposed rezoning of the property at Civic Number 24 Torbay Road from the Residential Low Density (R1) Zone to the Commercial Local (CL) Zone be referred to a public meeting to be chaired by a member of Council.

The motion being put was unanimously carried.

661, 663 and 669 Torbay Road

Council considered a memorandum dated April 13, 2010 from the Director of Building and Property Management regarding the above noted.

SJMC2010-04-20/226R

It was moved by Councillor Hickman; seconded by Deputy Mayor Duff: That the buildings at 661, 663 and 669 Torbay Road be ordered demolished and the site graded, given the advanced state of disrepair and public safety hazards associated with the buildings being open to the public, as recommended by the Director of Building and Property Management.

The motion being put was unanimously carried.

Request by Councillor Hanlon to attend 13th Annual NLOWE Conference

Council considered a memorandum dated April 15th, 2010 from the Deputy City Manager/Director of Corporate Services and City Clerk regarding the above noted.

SJMC2010-04-20/227R

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Duff; seconded by Councillor O’Leary: That a request by Councillor Hanlon to attend the 13th Annual NLOWE Conference to be held April 21-22, 2010 at the Sheraton Hotel Newfoundland, St. John’s, be approved.

The motion being put was unanimously carried.

Snow Clearing Report for the period January 1st to April 16th, 2010

Council considered the snow clearing report for the period January 1st to April 16th, 2010 showing a positive variance of \$250,845.00.

New Article – Military Flights

Council consider a news article re “St. John’s laps up greenbacks of U.S. soldiers in transit.”

Email to His Worship the Mayor from William Sheppard, President, CUPE Local 569 Re Services

Council considered an email to His Worship the Mayor from William Sheppard, President, CUPE Local 569 outlining services that the City provides free of charge in regards to water and sewer services.

SJCM2010-04-20/228R

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Duff; seconded by Councillor Breen: That staff be authorized to place a newspaper ad advising citizens of the services the City provides free of charge and look at the possibility of developing a brochure, and that the information be posted on the City’s website.

The motion being put was unanimously carried.

Junos 2010

His Worship the Mayor and other members of Council commented on the 2010 Junos held in St. John’s this past week and its “ rip-roaring success”. They praised and thanked all those involved including the organizers, performers, staff etc. for their hard work towards a very successful event.

Councillor O’Leary

Councillor O’Leary advised that the City of St. John’s and St. John’s Veterinary Hospital will partner to hold a Canine First Aid Session in the Foran/Greene Room on May 30th, 2010.

Councillor O’Leary updated Council on her attendance along with the Deputy Mayor and Councillor Hanlon at the Newfoundland and Labrador Environment Industry Association Conference "Green is the New Black: Accelerating Change Through Responsible Business Practices" held at the Holiday Inn on April 14, 2010.

Councillor O’Leary indicated she would like Council to reconsider the possibility of the City hiring an Environmental Co-ordinator, and suggested that the matter be referred to the Public Works and Environment Committee for discussion.

Councillor Hickman

Councillor Hickman asked the status of the communications position for the City. The City Clerk advised that the City cannot hire until July 1, 2010 in accordance with budget approval.

Councillor Hann

Councillor Hann encouraged residents to cover their garbage even though the City’s Covering of Garbage bylaw will not be in effect until May 1st.

Councillor Breen

Councillor Breen, in response to enquires from residents, advised that the King George V Soccer Pitch will hopefully be “up and running” by the end of May weather permitting.

Councillor Galgay

Councillor Galgay advised that the first meeting of St. John’s Poet Laureate Committee was held on April 13th, 2010 and another will be held on April 29th,

2010 and on completion of the process to select the next poet Laureate, a report will be provided to Council.

Councillor Tilley

Councillor Tilley congratulated Newfoundland and Labrador's Juno Winner Amelia Curran.

Councillor Hanlon

Councillor Hanlon congratulated and thanked the Grade 6 class of St. Andrew's School on their DARE graduation ceremony.

Councillor Hanlon advised that the Downtown Library Committee met last week and are scheduled to meet again on May 4th, 2010. She advised that a copy of a report compiled by the Newfoundland and Labrador Provincial Libraries Board Association can be obtained on the Provincial Libraries Board website.

Councillor Hanlon congratulated the St. John's Board of Trade who will be hosting a Chamber of Commerce Conference in 2011.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:05 p.m.

MAYOR

CITY CLERK