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, Colbert, Breen, Galgay, Tilley and Collins.

Regrets: Councillor Hanlon.

The City Manager; Deputy City Manager, Corporate Services & City Clerk; Deputy City Manager, Planning, Development & Engineering; Director of Engineering; Acting Deputy City Manager, Public Works; City Solicitor, Chief Municipal Planner and Manager, Corporate Secretariat, were also in attendance.

Call to Order and Adoption of the Agenda

SJMC2013-08-19/357R

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

- a. Submission from St. John's Native Friendship Centre
- b. Submission Re 265 Commonwealth Avenue Sobey's Land Holdings application for permission to build a Gas Bar and Convenience Store
- c. Memorandum dated August 19, 2013 from the Acting Deputy City Manager of Public Works Re Shea Heights Lookout
- d. Memorandum dated August 16, 2013 from the Acting Deputy City Manager, Public Works Re St. Pat's Ballfield
- e. Media Release City Receives Excellent Credit Ratings

Adoption of Minutes

SJMC2013-08-19/358R

It was decided on motion of Councillor Tilley; Seconded by Deputy Mayor Duff: That the minutes of August 5th, 2013 be adopted as presented.

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Business Arising

Notice of Motion – Councillor O'Leary Section 93 – Rules of Procedure

SJMC2013-08-19/359R

Pursuant to Notice of Motion, it was moved by Councillor O'Leary; seconded by Deputy Mayor Duff: That Section 93 of the Rules of Procedure be amended so as to provide that the appointment of Chairpersons of the Standing Committees is made via a regular meeting of Council.

Discussion ensued during which Councillor O'Leary indicated that in her view it would be more appropriate to conduct the appointment of chairpersons of the committees in public vs private which would serve to heighten transparency and public engagement.

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It was then moved by Councillor Hann; seconded by Councillor Tilley: That the matter be deferred.

The motion to defer being put was defeated.

Discussion ensued on the main motion during which members of Council objecting to the motion indicated that the incoming Council should play a role in any change or fundamental review of the Rules of Procedure of Council.

Councillor O'Leary noted she will consider the comments made by members of Council but will continue her support of the motion.

Following discussion, the main motion being put there voted for it the mover. The motion was defeated.

<u>Application to Rezone Property – 38 Anthony Avenue</u>

Under business arising, Council considered a memorandum dated August 15, 2013 from the Chief Municipal Planner concerning the above noted application to rezone property at civic number 38 Anthony Avenue from the Residential Low Density (R1) Zone to the Residential Medium Density (R2) Zone. One submission in support of the application was also presented.

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It was moved by Councillor Hann; seconded by Councillor Hickman: That the following Resolution for St. John's Development Regulations Amendment Number 580, 2013 be adopted:

RESOLUTION ST. JOHN'S DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS AMENDMENT NUMBER 580, 2013

WHEREAS the City of St. John's wishes to accommodate development of property situated at 38 Anthony Avenue for the purpose of two semi-detached dwelling units.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the City of St. John's hereby adopts the following map amendment to the St. John's Development Regulations in accordance with the provisions of the Urban and Rural Planning Act:

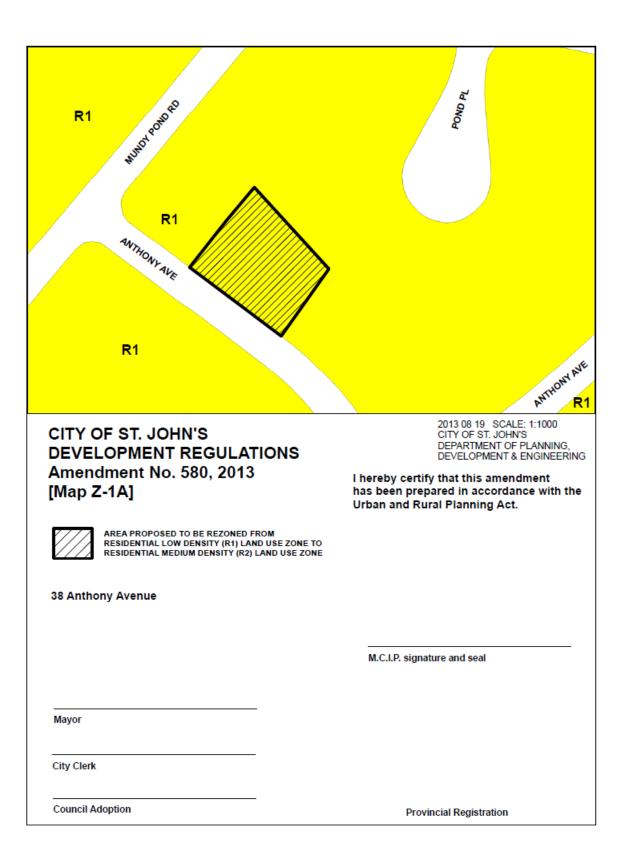
Rezone land at 38 Anthony Avenue from the Residential Low Density (R1) Zone to the Residential Medium Density (R2) Zone as shown on Map Z-1A attached.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of St. John's requests the Minister of Municipal Affairs to register the proposed amendment in accordance with the requirements of the Urban and Rural Planning Act, 2000.

IN WITNESS THEREOF the Seal of the City of St. John's has been hereunto affixed and this Resolution has been signed by the Mayor and the City Clerk on behalf of Council this 19th day of August, 2013.

Mayor	I hereby certify that this Amendment has been prepared in accordance with the Urban and Rural Planning Act, 2000.
City Clerk	
Provincial Registration	MCIP

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Other Matters

Media Release – City Receives Excellent Credit Ratings

Councillor Breen presented a Press Release announcing that the City of St. John's has received a credit rating of "A+stable" from international credit rating agency Standard and Poor's. Councillor Breen noted that following on the heels of the Aa2 Stable rating the City received from Moody's in the spring this clearly indicates that focus on strong fiscal management processes are paying off for the City.

Notices Published

a. A Discretionary Use Application has been submitted by Sobey's Land Holdings Limited requesting permission to establish a **Gas Bar and Convenience Store at the Civic No. 265 Commonwealth Avenue** (corner of Commonwealth Avenue & Brookfield Road). The total floor area of building will be 223m². A four pump island is proposed, with eight nozzles in total. Proposed hours of operation are 6 a.m. to midnight. Twenty-two on-site parking spaces are provided.

Two (2) Submissions of objection

SJMC2013-08-19/362R

It was moved by Councillor Hann; seconded by Councillor Colbert: That the application be approved.

Deputy Mayor Duff and Councilor O'Leary supported a recommendation by staff that the application be deferred pending consultation with the City of Mount Pearl.

Members of Council supporting the motion noted that the City will inform the City of Mount Pearl that the City would be moving forward on the application based on its own merits.

The motion to approve the application being put was carried with Deputy Mayor Duff and Councillor O'Leary dissenting.

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Public Hearing

a. Public Information Session Report dated August 13, 2013
 Re: Proposed Child-Care Centre (Daycare)
 Applicant: St. John's Native Friendship Association
 97 Elizabeth Avenue (Ward 4)
 Residential Low Density (R1) Zone

Councillor Hickman presented the report of a public information session held on August 13, 2013 concerning an application by the Native Friendship Association for a proposed child-Care Centre, 97 Elizabeth Avenue. Submissions of objection and support were presented and considered by Council.

SJMC2013-08-19/363R

It was moved by Councillor Hickman; seconded by Councillor Breen: That the application from the St. John's Native Friendship Association for a proposed Child-Care Centre (daycare), 97 Elizabeth Avenue be rejected.

In speaking to the motion, Councillors Hickman and Breen indicated their support of staff's recommendation that the application be rejected in light of the potential for safety concerns with traffic movements along Elizabeth Avenue during peak traffic hours. Councillor Hickman also felt that the area is a residential stable neighbourhood that should be protected. Councillor Breen felt that the proposed development will lead to further commercial development on Elizabeth Avenue.

Members of Council voting against the motion to reject felt (1) that the St. John's Native Friendship Centre has satisfactorily addressed the issues that were raised by residents of the neighbourhood; (2) that the proposed day care will be of great benefit to students planning to attend MUN or College of the North Atlantic; (3) that daycares are encouraged in the Municipal Plan and add a pleasant presence to a neighbourhood; (4) that there is a high demand for daycares in the City; (5) that the application meets the intent of Section 7.6 of the St John's Development Regulations.

Following discussion, the motion to reject being put there voted for it the mover and seconder. The motion to reject was lost.

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It was then moved by Councillor Tilley; seconded by Councillor Galgay: That the application from the St. John's Native Friendship Association for a proposed Child-Care Centre (daycare), 97 Elizabeth Avenue be approved.

The motion to approve being put was carried with Councillors Hickman and Breen dissenting.

Committee Reports

Development Committee Report of August 6th, 2013

Council considered the following Development Committee Report dated August 6, 2013:

The following matters were considered by the Development Committee at its meeting held on August 6, 2013. A staff report is attached for Council's information.

1. Department of Planning File Number 13-00138/B-17-S.26
Proposed Expansion of Residential Building Lot Area to Expand Dwelling
Department of Environment and Conservation File No.1025818
Crown Land Grant Referral for 0.007 hectaires
178 Signal Hill Road – CDA Signal Hill Zone (Ward 2)

The Development Committee recommends that Council reject the application for the subject Crown Land Grant.

Robert F. Smart, City Manager Chair – Development Committee

SJMC2013-08-19/365R

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

The motion being put was unanimously carried.

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Development Committee Repot of August 13th, 2013

Council considered the following Development Committee Report dated August 13th, 2013:

The following matter was considered by the Development Committee at its meeting held on August 13, 2013

2. Department of Planning File Number 13-00203/B-17-T.29

Department of Environment and Conservation File No.1036083

Crown Land Lease Referral for 2.72 Hectares of Land for Horticultural Use and Hay Production

Trans-Canada Highway (off Dunn's Hill Road) – Ward 5 Forestry (F) Zone

The Development Committee recommends that Council approve the subject Crown Land Lease application. Should the applicant be successful in obtaining the Crown Land Lease, a formal development application must be submitted to the City for review, advertising and approvals prior to the commencement of any development on the site.

Robert F. Smart, City Manager Chair – Development Committee

SJMC2013-08-19/366R

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

The motion being put was unanimously carried.

Finance and Administration Standing Committee Report of July 24th, 2013

Council considered the following Finance and Administration Standing Committee Report dated July 24th, 2013:

IN ATTENDANCE: Councillor Danny Breen, Chairperson

Councillor Tom Hann Councillor Bruce Tilley Councillor Sheilagh O'Leary - 9 - 2013-08-19

Councillor Sandy Hickman

Councillor Frank Galgay

Mr. Robert Smart, City Manager

Mr. Neil Martin, Deputy City Manager

Mr. Robert Bishop, Deputy City Manager, Financial Management

Mr. Dave Blackmore, Deputy City Manager; PDE

Mr. Paul Mackey, Deputy City Manager, Public Works

Mr. Don Brennan, Director of Roads and Traffic

Ms. Diane Winsor, Director, Human Resources

Ms. Tanya Hayward, Director, Recreation

Mr. Sean Janes, City Internal Auditor

Ms. Sandy Abbott, Recording Secretary

1. Requests for Financial Support and Sponsorships

The Committee considered a memorandum from the Deputy City Manager, Corporate Service/City Clerk outlining requests from the following groups/organizations under the City's policy for Conference Sponsorship:

- a) Newfoundland Handball Association: Request for the City to provide funding to host the Atlantic Handball Championships in St. John's from October 2-5, 2013.
- b) <u>Aerospace and Defence Industry Association of NL (ADIANL)</u>: Request for the City to provide funding to host the Maritime and Arctic Security Conference in St. John's from November 12-13, 2013.

Supporting documentation for the requests was reviewed and the following recommendation is brought forward:

The Committee recommends the following contributions in accordance with Policy No. 04-09-02:

Newfoundland Handball Association	\$500.00
Aerospace and Defence Industry Association of NL (ADIANL)	\$750.00

2. Governor Generals' Curling Club of Canada

The Committee received a request to host a dinner for the Governor Generals' Curling Club Safari on September 8, 2014 at 6:30-7:00 pm. Approximately 60-80 people will be in attendance.

The Committee recommends approval of the City of St. John's hosting the Governor Generals' Curling Club Dinner on September 8, 2014 at 6:30-7:00 pm for approximately 60-80 people.

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3. St. John's Master Softball League

The Committee received a request to renew the lease between the St. John's Master Softball League and the City of St. John's for a period of 15 years.

The Committee recommends that the 15 year lease be extended.

The Committee received a request for property tax relief on the building at Bill Rahal Field. It was noted that the building, like the field, is owned by the City and that the City does not impose any municipal taxes on other similar fields with buildings such as King George V Park and St. Pat's Ball Park. The tax bill originated when a small commercial operation was in the building, but that is no longer the case.

The Committee recommends that the property taxes owing be forgiven and that no property taxes be charged going forward.

4. Approval Limit Changes

The Committee considered a memorandum from Mr. Derek Coffey, Manager – Budget and Treasury regarding approval limit changes as follows: City Manager will remain at a limit of \$50,000; Deputy City Managers will have an approval limit of \$35,000; Directors will have an approval limit of \$20,000.

The Committee recommends that Council accept the approval limit changes.

5. Interim Financial Statements

The Committee considered a memorandum from Mr. Robert Bishop, Deputy City Manager, Financial Management as well as the interim financial statements for the six months ending June 30, 2013.

The Committee recommends that Council accept the Interim Financial Statements.

6. Metrobus and Folk Festival 2013

The Committee considered an email from the Newfoundland and Labrador Folk Arts Society requesting support for the provision of two buses at night's end for two hours each.

The Committee recommends that Council contribute \$2,100.00 to support the Metrobus service to the Folk Festival in Bowring Park on the condition that the charge per person will be \$1.00 per ride which is the same as Regatta Day.

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It was moved by Councillor Breen; seconded by Councillor Tilley: That the Committee's recommendations with the exception of Item 1(a) be approved.

The motion being put was unanimously carried.

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It was moved by Councillor Breen; seconded by Councillor Tilley: That the grant of \$500 to the Newfoundland Handball Association be increased to \$1000.00, to assist with cost to rent space to host the conference.

The motion being put was unanimously carried.

Police and Traffic Committee Report of July 9th, 2013

Council considered the following Police and Traffic Committee Report of July 9th, 2013:

In Attendance: Councillor Gerry Colbert, Chairperson

Deputy Mayor Shannie Duff Councillor Danny Breen Councillor Frank Galgay Councillor Sheilagh O'Leary Councillor Bruce Tilley

Paul Mackey, Deputy City Manager, Public Works Dawn Corner, Supervisor, Traffic and Parking

Robin King, Transportation Engineer

Bill MacDonald, Supervisor, Traffic Signals Chris Pitcher, Supervisor, Parking Services Derm Layman, Head Foreperson, Traffic

Cecil Haire, CBC

Chris Whalen, St. John's Transportation Commission

Dave Lane, Downtown St. John's

Jeanette Holman-Price, President, Brain Injury Association of Canada

Percy Rideout, Citizen Representative Sandy Abbott, Recording Secretary

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

The Agenda was accepted with the addition of four extra items:

- 1) Transportation of Dangerous Goods (Councillor Sheilagh O'Leary)
- 2) Carrick Drive Traffic Calming Update (Dawn Corner)
- 3) Old Topsail Road Traffic Calming Update
- 4) Traffic Calming Warrant Analysis Summary Report

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

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Motion: Moved by Councillor Galgay, seconded by Deputy Mayor Duff: That the Minutes of the meeting of April 4, 2013 be adopted as presented. Motion Carried.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Kerry Street – Traffic Concerns:

An enquiry was received by a resident re traffic concerns. This street was assessed for traffic calming, but it is #12 on the list so it may be a while yet before the problem can be addressed.

2. Cornwall Avenue – Request for No Parking Anytime:

There is only a small section near Glenview Terrace that allows parking.

The Committee recommended that the No Parking Anytime restriction on Cornwall Avenue be extended from Civic #97 to Civic #109.

3. Hamilton Avenue – Request for Residential Permit Parking:

There is a senior's facility on Bennett Avenue, and they have asked residents not to use their parking lot. Residents have requested Residential Permit Parking in their area.

The Committee recommended that Residential Permit parking be installed on Hamilton Avenue adjacent to Civic #209 to Civic #215.

4. Springdale Street – New No Parking Anytime Restriction:

Vehicles are parking on both sides of Springdale Street at New Gower Street and obstructing the flow of traffic through the intersection. A "No Parking Anytime" restriction is required to maintain traffic flow.

The Committee recommended that "No Parking Anytime" be installed on both sides of Springdale Street between New Gower Street and Pleasant Street.

The Committee was advised that these signs have already been installed.

5. Tobin's Road – Request for No Parking Anytime:

Residents are concerned about loitering in vehicles at the end of the street so they are requesting a parking restriction that can be enforced by the City or the RNC.

The Committee recommended that "No Stopping Anytime" be installed at the end of Tobin's Road to discourage vehicles from loitering in this area.

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6. Bannerman Street – Parking Issue:

A complaint was received by a senior resident who has a difficult time parking. One side of the street have their own driveways and the other side can't be used during winter due to snow clearing. As the snow route can't be changed, she has asked for a Parking Permit at her residence. A survey of the residents would have to be done to see if parking permits could be issued for the snow side.

The Committee recommended deferring this issue until the next meeting and asked for Dawn Corner to provide an update at that time.

7. Queen's Road at Church Hill – Parking Concerns:

The City allows vehicles to park in the median on Sundays and during funerals; however, they are not permitted to park above the crosswalk. This helps the church out since they have limited off-street parking. Parking Services has not received any other complaints about this parking practice.

8. Mews Place – Request for No Parking Anytime:

There have been some complaints in this area regarding vehicles parking on both sides of the road and obstructing traffic.

The Committee recommended that a No Parking Anytime restriction be placed on one side of Mews Place.

9. Higgins Line – Portugal Cove Road Traffic Suggestions:

A complaint was received from a resident regarding the morning traffic turning into Tim Horton's parking lot impeding the flow of traffic on Higgins Line. Also, the afternoon traffic turning left from Higgins Line onto Portugal Cove Road (towards Airport Heights) block the left-turn lane into the Tim Hortons parking lot and the straight-through lane onto Newfoundland Drive.

The Committee recommended that Robin King investigate this and report back to the Committee at the next meeting.

10. Taxi Licensing.

The Committee recommended that this item be forwarded to the Taxi Committee.

11. Council Directive #R2013-06-17/16 – Crosswalk adjacent to Tucker's Superette, Empire Avenue:

Although the crosswalk has been approved for a pedestrian-activated traffic light, the funding has not been provided to construct it. Robin King felt this should be given high priority as the area has heavy traffic. Deputy Mayor Duff requested that the items be prioritized in case full funding is not available.

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12. Council Directive #R2013-06-03/19 – Medians, Safety Hazard:

Councillor Tilley has had several calls from residents regarding people on the median requesting money from drivers in vehicles. Dawn Corner noted that there is nothing in the City's by-laws to enforce this.

The Committee recommended that a letter be sent to Constable Murphy, RNC, asking what the rules are around this behaviour.

13. Council Directive #R2013-06-10/24 – Safety, City Streets:

This directive concerns basketball and/or street hockey nets on the streets. The City bylaws state that these are not permitted on the streets; however, many neighbourhood children ignore this regulation. Councillor Colbert noted that this used to be an RNC issue due to it being a road safety hazard; however, they decided to drop it because they couldn't combat the national advertising around street hockey. This issue has been ongoing for years.

The Committee recommended that if a complaint is received, a letter will be sent to residents in the area stating that a neighbour has complained and that the offending net must be removed from the street. Councillors have no alternative but to abide by the City's by-laws.

14. Reverting back to 30 km/hour in City school zones (Councillor Sheilagh O'Leary):

There was some discussion around having 30 km/hour speed limit in school zones; however, the issue of schools in busy areas such as Topsail Road, Macdonald Drive, etc. would not be conducive to having speed reduced to 30 km/hour.

Motion: Moved by Councillor O'Leary, seconded by Councillor Tilley: That we should revert back to 30 km/hour in all school zones in the City.

Amendment to Motion: Moved by Councillor Breen, seconded by Deputy Mayor Duff:

That staff investigate this issue and make a recommendation within 30 days on the 30 km/hour zone and where and how it can be implemented. **Motion Carried.**

15. Proposed three-way stop at Brookfield Road, Cowan Avenue, and Road de Luxe to reduce the larger truck traffic and the ongoing issue of fast traffic on Waterford Bridge Road (Councillor Sheilagh O'Leary):

Dawn distributed a letter summarizing what residents would like to see done on Waterford Bridge Road. She noted that three-way stops are only installed based on thresholds set by Transportation Canada, but it is not warranted in this particular area.

The Committee recommended that staff evaluate the residents' recommendations and report back to the Committee at the next meeting.

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16. Proposed traffic calming on Kenna's Hill – a resident complaint re high speed in this area especially considering that there are no sidewalks (Councillor Sheilagh O'Leary):

Residents are complaining of high speeds in the area. However, as Kenna's Hill is classified as an arterial roadway, traffic calming is not permitted there.

17. Complaints from a resident of Kenmount Terrace (Councillor Sheilagh O'Leary):

- 1) Traffic travelling at least 70 km/hour on Great Easter Avenue
- 2) Running stop sign at Great Eastern Avenue and Ladysmith Drive
- 3) Driving quads up and down Great Eastern Avenue
- 4) Vehicles passing illegally on Ladysmith Drive

Dawn informed the Committee that Great Eastern Avenue is a collector, and collectors have a different threshold because they meant to handle high areas of traffic; therefore, Great Eastern Avenue does not meet the criteria for traffic calming.

The Committee directed that another study be conducted in this area and that Dawn take some of the \$500,000 traffic calming budget to invest in more driver feedback signs for this area.

18. Golf Avenue: Street cleaning and street construction (Councillor Frank Galgay):

There had been a communication issue in this area where residents were unable to park in their driveways due to construction and then were not permitted to park on the street due to scheduled street cleaning. Councillor Galgay asked that there be more communication between Street Rehab and Street Cleaning. Paul Mackey assured the Committee that there is now a process in place between Street Rehab and Street Cleaning to prevent this issue from happening. Dave Lane asked if there was a way to improve the notification system so residents would know when street cleaning is taking place and where they can legally park. The email notifications are great but sometimes the wording is confusing; he suggested that perhaps a visual map rather than wording could be used so residents could see at a glance where they could park during street cleaning.

The Committee recommended that Paul Mackey investigate the possibility of using visual maps rather than wording in email notifications.

19. Transportation of Dangerous Goods (Councillor Sheilagh O'Leary):

Councillor O'Leary received a letter from Len LeRiche, President and CEO, Safety Services Newfoundland Labrador regarding the transportation of dangerous goods through the downtown core. Robin King noted that this was brought up a number of years ago. This issue is regulated federally who liaise with the St. John's Regional Fire Department for enforcement.

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The Committee recommended that Councillor O'Leary forward the letter to David Day, Manager, Emergency Preparedness, Business Continuity.

20. Bicycle Lanes in Cowan Heights area (Councillor Bruce Tilley):

Councillor Tilley has received complaints from residents on Cowan Avenue and Frecker Drive that the bike lanes are not being used and have taken away their off-street parking. A discussion ensued around the use of bike lanes. The City wanted to put in bike lanes to promote a more active lifestyle for residents. Deputy Mayor Duff noted that this was started but never finished and until we get a good infrastructure in place, people are not going to use it. Dave Lane suggested that we need to have amenities to appeal to newcomers; people who are driving their bikes to work here are the ones who used to drive their bikes in Toronto, etc.

Motion: Moved by Bruce Tilley, seconded by Danny Breen:

That the bicycle lanes on Frecker Drive, Cowan Avenue and Canada Drive be disbanded. **Motion Failed.**

21. Old Topsail Road

The speeds in the middle of Old Topsail Road have changed from mid to high 60's to low 50's which was achieved with traffic calming. The Committee was provided with a summary of before and after speed and volume data.

22. Carrick Drive - Traffic Calming Update:

The Carrick Drive plan was distributed to residents; only 40% responded with the majority supporting the plan; however, 60% of residents are needed to proceed. Some residents are concerned about the roundabouts in front of their properties.

Motion: Moved by Danny Breen, seconded by Bruce Tilley:

That the speed cushions be installed as per the plan and to consult the residents regarding the roundabouts. **Motion Carried.**

23. Traffic Calming Warrant Analysis Summary Report:

A lengthy discussion took place around this report. Councillor Breen suggested that those needing something minor be taken care of first and the major items done as funding is provided. Robin noted that Council gave a directive in the Strategic Plan to look at these plans; however, if Council wants to speed up this process, then Dawn is going to need some help to move along the process.

24. Quidi Vidi Village Traffic Calming:

Councillor Galgay asked for an update. Dawn reported that it's very difficult to put any kind of cushion in Quidi Vidi for traffic calming. Robin suggested that we include Forest Road in the discussion and see if they would be interested in putting cushions there. Dawn suggested that driver feedback signs would help in this area.

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OTHER BUSINESS

1. East Drive, Pleasantville:

There is no reason to park on this street so No Parking will continue.

2. Calgary Street:

Residents are insistent there is a lot of traffic there from people short-cutting on that street. Dawn will check the counters again and then a meeting can be set up with residents.

3. Soldier Crescent:

A new playground was put in by the City and now the Canada Post mailboxes have been located in front of the playground causing safety concerns for the children. Robin pointed out that it would have been a Development decision to put the mailboxes here.

4. Parking Meters:

Robin reported that the tender has gone out, and parking meters should be in place within the next six to eight weeks.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:15 pm.

Councillor Gerry Colbert, Chairperson

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It was moved by Councillor Colbert; seconded by Councillor O'Leary: That the Committee's recommendations with the exception of Item #20 be approved.

Regarding Item #24 Quidi Vidi Village Traffic Calming – Councilor Galgay asked for a staff response to be referred to the Committee for consideration.

Following discussion, the motion being put was unanimously carried.

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Regarding Item #20 Bicycle Lanes in Cowan Heights area, it was moved by Councillor Tilley; seconded by Councillor Hickman: That the entire bicycle lanes plan be re-examined with the view to looking at the usage on the bicycle trails on Frecker Drive, Cowan Avenue and Canada Drive prior to start of the lane paintings next May.

Following a lengthy discussion, Council accepted a friendly amendment to the motion that the matter be referred for consideration to the incoming Council.

The motion as amended being put was unanimously carried.

Audit Committee Report of July 18th, 2013

Council considered the following Audit Committee Report of July 18th, 2013:

IN ATTENDANCE: Councillor Sandy Hickman, Chairperson

Councillor Danny Breen Councillor Bruce Tilley

Mr. Robert Smart, City Manager

Mr. Neil Martin, Deputy City Manager, Corporate Services/City Clerk

Mr. Bob Bishop, Director of Finance and City Treasurer

Ms. Diane Winsor, Director, Human Resources Mr. Nathan Barrett, Manager, Accounting Services

Mr. Sean Janes, City Internal Auditor

Mr. David Royle, Auditor I

Mr. Harold Squires, Citizen Representative Ms. Sandy Abbott, Recording Secretary

1. 2011 Travel Claims Report:

The Committee considered the 2011 Travel Claims Report presented by Mr. Dave Royle. Management recommendations were as follows:

a) Travel Expense Policy:

- Approval of travel expenses outside of the budget by the City Manager
- Revise the travel forms and policy to be consistent
- Add references to expenses for baggage fees, collision damage waiver, internet, etc.

b) <u>Testing of Travel Expense Statements (TES):</u>

- Registration and conference programs be attached to the statements
- Employees provide explanations when actual expenses are higher than those in the conference program, etc.

c) Overall Travel Expenses:

• Overall travel expenses were underspent by \$82,734 in 2011

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• 7 departments overspent their travel budgets by slightly more than \$1,000 and did not request approval from the City Manager/Council.

d) Per Diem Amounts:

The Committee considered a comparison of per diem amounts of various municipalities. Some discussion took place around raising the per diem amount for the City. The consensus of the Committee was that \$55 per diem paid by the City was reasonable.

2. Salary Administration Audit Report:

The Committee considered the 2011 Travel Claims Report presented by Mr. Sean Janes. Management recommendations were as follows:

a) Salary Systems:

- Development of an overall compensation policy to consolidate the City's current compensation policies
- Development of a procedure for a regular comparison of the remuneration paid for jobs at the City with similar positions in the market.

b) Management Car Allowances:

- Review the rationalization for the provision of management car allowances
- Review the rates paid for management car allowances
- Devise a new method for adjusting the rates of management car allowances and the maximum reimbursement amount for business use insurance
- Create a single, comprehensive policy on management car allowances.

c) City's Management Car Allowances Policy:

- Add a definition for the term, "frequent basis", to the policy
- Include guidelines in the policy for determining which job classifications require the use of a personal vehicle
- Provide guidance on the method to be used for estimating the annual mileage driven
- Develop a standardized form to be used for justification of management car allowances
- Add a section to the policy on mileage claims
- Revise Section II of the policy on mileage brackets so that it is more user-friendly
- Add a section to the policy on business use insurance
- Review section III of the policy to determine if it is still appropriate
- Add a section to the policy on how management car allowance payments are to be handled when an employee is absent from work

d) Management Overtime Allowances:

- A new single, comprehensive policy be developed
- A review of management overtime allowances be conducted
- A section be added to the policy regarding how management overtime allowances are to be handled when an employee is absent from work

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3. 2013-2015 Audit Plan:

The Committee considered the Audit Plan for 2013-2015, a copy of which is attached to this Report.

Discussion ensued around the feasibility of hiring a third auditor as the cost savings associated with the implementation of the recommendations in the Salary Administration report would be enough to pay for a new position for a year. The potential for additional savings and increased revenues related with the Inspection Services Division Audit, which is currently in the report writing stage, would also be significant.

Moved by Sandy Hickman, seconded by Bruce Tilley: That the 2013-2015 Audit Plan be approved as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

Councillor Sandy Hickman Chairperson

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

The motion being put was unanimously carried.

Nomenclature Committee Report of August 8th, 2013

Council considered the following Nomenclature Committee Report of August 8th, 2013:

Date: August 8th, 2013

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of Council

From: Nomenclature Committee
Re: Committee Recommendations

Council approval is requested for the following Street names:

St. John's International Airport – Road Network Realignment

St. John's International Airport Authority

- 1. World Parkway
- 2. Navigator Avenue
- 3. Jetstream Avenue

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

The motion being put was unanimously carried.

Development Permits

Council considered as information the following Weekly Development Permits for the period August 2, 2013 to August 16, 2013:

DEVELOPMENT PERMITS LIST DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING FOR THE PERIOD OF August 2, 2013 TO August 15, 2013

Code	Applicant	Application	Location	Ward	Development Officer's Decision	Date
RES	Fairview Investments Ltd.	Twenty (23) Lot Residential Development	Westgate Stage 4 Kenmount Road	4	Approved	13-08-02
RES		Residential Building Lot	20 Brennan Field	5	Approved	13-08-05
RES		Subdivide for Additional Residential Building Lot	417-421 Back Line Road	5	Approved	13-08-05
COM		Home Office for First Aid Training Admin	32 Ladysmith Drive	4	Approved	13-08-06

* Code Classification:

RES - Residential
COM - Commercial
AG - Agriculture
OT - Other

INST - Institutional IND - Industrial

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.

Gerard Doran
Development Officer
Department of Planning

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Building Permits List – June 19 to August 1, 2013

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It was decided on motion of Deputy Mayor Duff; seconded by Councillor Hann: That the recommendation of the Deputy City Manager, Planning, Development & Engineering with respect to the following building permits be approved:

Building Permits List Council's August 19, 2013 Regular Meeting

Permits Issued: 2013/08/01 To 2013/08/14

Class: Commercial

54 Kenmount Rd	Sw	Restaurant
10 Elizabeth Ave	Ms	Retail Store
44 Elizabeth Ave	Ms	Eating Establishment
15 International Pl	Sn	Office
61 Kelsey Dr - Royal Bank	Sn	Bank
187 Kenmount Rd	Sn	Office
204-206 Main Rd	Ms	Clinic
1 Marconi Pl	Ms	Retail Store
22 O'leary Ave	Ms	Restaurant
22 O'leary Ave	Ms	Restaurant
78 O'leary Ave	Ms	Club
36 Pearson St	Ms	Office
28 Stavanger Dr	Ms	Service Station
651 Topsail Rd	Sn	Commercial Garage
681 Topsail Rd	Ms	Retail Store
320 Torbay Rd	Ms	Retail Store
340 Torbay Rd	Ms	Service Station
370 Torbay Rd	Ms	Office
464 Torbay Rd	Ms	Retail Store
141 Torbay Rd	Ms	Restaurant
141 Torbay Rd	Ms	Service Shop
141 Torbay Rd	Ms	Service Shop
141 Torbay Rd	Ms	Retail Store
Torbay Road-Torbay Rd Mall	Ms	Retail Store
411 Torbay Rd	Ms	Eating Establishment
411 Torbay Rd	Ms	Eating Establishment
Georges Pond Rd - Trailer #1	Nc	Single Detached Dwelling
Georges Pond Rd - Trailer # 2	Nc	Accessory Building
15 George St	Nc	Fence
41 Churchill Sq	Cr	Restaurant
17-19 Pippy Pl, Sassytuna	Cr	Commercial School
210-214 Water St -Suite 400	Rn	Restaurant
606 Water St	Rn	Retail Store
1 Clift's - Baird's Cove	Rn	Parking Lot
370 Torbay Rd	Rn	Office
87 O'leary Ave	Rn	Mixed Use
125 Kelsey Dr, Price Waterhouse	Rn	
80 Mews Pl	Nc	
15 Hebron Way, Lot B	Nc	
	2.0	

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This Week \$ 6,961,100.00

Class: Industrial

385 Water St Rn Industrial Use

This Week \$.00

Class: Government/Institutional

60 Newtown Rd Nc Fence

This Week \$ 3,500.00

Class: Residential

7 Amherst Hts	Nc	Fence
7 Amherst Hts	Nc	Fence
3 Banyan Pl	Nc	Accessory Building
41 Barrows Rd	Nc	Fence
26 Bavidge St	Nc	Fence
1335 Blackhead Rd	Nc	Accessory Building
20 Brennan Field	Nc	Single Detached Dwelling
232 Brookfield Rd	Nc	Accessory Building
8 Browne Cres	Nc	Patio Deck
152 Campbell Ave	Nc	Patio Deck
35 Carpasian Rd	Nc	Fence
4 Carrick Dr	Nc	Accessory Building
102 Carter's Hill	Nc	Fence
95-97 Carter's Hill	Nc	Patio Deck
145 Castle Bridge Dr	Nc	Accessory Building
18 Cleary Dr	Nc	Swimming Pool
18 Cleary Dr	Nc	Accessory Building
10 Country Grove Pl	Nc	Accessory Building
13 Country Grove Pl	Nc	Accessory Building
2 Cuckhold's Cove Rd - Lot #2	Nc	Single Detached Dwelling
11 Cypress St	Nc	Fence
340 Duckworth St	Nc	Parking Lot
28 Dunkerry Cres, Lot 276	Nc	Single Detached Dwelling
47 Duntara Cres	Nc	Fence
27 Durham Pl	Nc	Fence
81 Eastbourne Cres	Nc	Accessory Building
122 Edison Pl	Nc	Patio Deck
461 Empire Ave	Nc	Accessory Building
204 Forest Rd - Lot #1	Nc	Single Detached Dwelling
50 Glenlonan St	Nc	Fence
21 Hussey Dr	Nc	Accessory Building
35 Kenai Cres, Lot 234	Nc	Single Detached Dwelling
220 Ladysmith Dr, Lot 507	Nc	Single Detached Dwelling
41 Ladysmith Dr	Nc	Fence
36 Long Pond Rd	Nc	Accessory Building
612 Main Rd	Nc	Single Detached Dwelling
7 Maple St	Nc	Accessory Building
3 Marsland Pl	Nc	Accessory Building
28 Miranda St	Nc	Patio Deck
8 Munich Pl, Lot 2	Nc	Single Detached & Sub.Apt
103 New Cove Rd	Nc	Fence
18 Oberon St	Nc	Fence
8 Ophelia Pl,Lot 208	Nc	Single Detached Dwelling
48 Orlando Pl, Lot 189	Nc	Single Detached & Sub.Apt

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50 Orlando Pl, Lot 190	Nc	Single Detached & Sub.Apt
4 Parliament Pl	Nc	Fence
102 Pearltown Rd	Nc	Accessory Building
12 Pine Bud Ave	Nc	Single Detached Dwelling
50 Pleasant St	Nc	Single Detached Dwelling
225 Portugal Cove Rd	Nc	Patio Deck
225 Portugal Cove Rd	Nc	Fence
45 Prince Of Wales St	Nc	Patio Deck
50 Quidi Vidi Village Rd 88 Royal Oak Dr	Nc Nc	Fence Fence
16 Scott St	NC	Patio Deck
28 Scott St	Nc	Fence
21 Sequoia Dr	Nc	Accessory Building
100 Shoal Bay Rd	Nc	Patio Deck
100 Shoal Bay Rd	Nc	Accessory Building
39 Shoal Bay Rd	Nc	Accessory Building
24 Stanford Pl Lot 37	Nc	Single Detached Dwelling
10 Surrey Pl	Nc	Patio Deck
52 Teakwood Dr	Nc	Single Detached Dwelling
7 Tiffany Lane	Nc	Fence
28 Tigress St, Lot 622	Nc	Single Detached & Sub.Apt
11 Titania Pl Lot 168	Nc	Single Detached Dwelling
46 Wadland Cres	Nc	Fence
105 Eastbourne Cres	Cr	Single Detached & Sub.Apt
36 Iceland Pl	Cr	Subsidiary Apartment
10 Murphy's Lane	Cr	Subsidiary Apartment
3 Newhook Pl	Cr	Day Care Centre
6 Gooseberry Lane	Ex	Single Detached Dwelling
43 Hawker Cres	Ex	Single Detached Dwelling
300 Brookfield Rd	Rn	Single Detached Dwelling
3 Chapel St	Rn	Semi-Detached Dwelling
2a Cowperthwaite Crt	Rn -	Townhousing
29 Dauntless St	Rn	Single Detached & Sub.Apt
8 Cookstown Rd	Rn	Single Detached Dwelling
9 Fairwood St 21 Firdale Dr	Rn	Fence
51 Freshwater Rd	Rn Rn	Single Detached & Sub.Apt
47 Gisborne Pl	Rn	Semi-Detached Dwelling Townhousing
48 Hamilton Ave	Rn	Semi-Detached Dwelling
48 Hawker Cres	Rn	Single Detached Dwelling
13 Hutchings St	Rn	Single Detached Dwelling
48 Monkstown Rd	Rn	Semi-Detached Dwelling
9 Nascopie Cres	Rn	Townhousing
11 Nascopie Cres	Rn	Townhousing
15 Nascopie Cres	Rn	Townhousing
17 Nascopie Cres	Rn	Townhousing
19 Nascopie Cres	Rn	Townhousing
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47 Nascopie Cres	Rn	Townhousing
49 Nascopie Cres	Rn	Townhousing
51 Nascopie Cres 53 Nascopie Cres	Rn	Townhousing Townhousing
14 Polina Rd	Rn Rn	Single Detached & Sub.Apt
51 Quidi Vidi Rd	Rn	Single Detached & Sub.Apt Single Detached Dwelling
		Single Detached Dwelling
33 Torngat Cres	Rn	

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20 Warren Pl	Rn Single Detached Dwelling
92 Highland Dr	Sw Single Detached Dwelling
14 Mcgrath Pl W	Sw Single Detached & Sub.Apt
16 Mcgrath Pl W	Sw Single Detached & Sub.Apt
13 Oakridge Dr	Sw Single Detached Dwelling
24 Stavanger Dr	Ms Retail Store

This Week \$ 12,337,312.00

Class: Demolition

This Week \$ 12,000.00

This Week's Total: \$ 19,313,912.00

Repair Permits Issued: 2013/08/01 To 2013/08/14 \$ 168,550.00

Legend

Co Change Of Occupancy Sn Sign
Cr Chng Of Occ/Renovtns Ms Mobile Sign
Ex Extension Cc Chimney Construction
Nc New Construction Cd Chimney Demolition
Oc Occupant Change Dv Development File
Rn Renovations Ws Woodstove
Sw Site Work Dm Demolition
Ti Tenant Improvements

Year To Date Comparisons					
August 19, 2013					
Туре	2012	2013	% Variance (+/-)		
Commercial	\$145,300,400.00	\$66,300,200.00	-54		
Industrial	\$3,600,100.00	\$131,000.00	-96		
Government/Institutional	\$15,200,200.00	\$71,300,700.00	369		
Residential	\$124,400,400.00	\$104,800,700.00	-16		
Repairs	\$3,400,700.00	\$2,900,300.00	-15		
Housing Units (1 & 2 Family Dwellings)	413	298			
Total	\$291,901,800.00	\$245,432,900.00	-16		

Respectfully Submitted,

David Blackmore, R.P.A.
Deputy City Manager - Planning, Development & Engineering

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Payrolls and Accounts

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It was decided on motion of Deputy Mayor Duff; seconded by Councillor Hann: That the following Payrolls and Accounts for the week ending August 8, and August 15th, be approved:

Weekly Payment Vouchers For The Week Ending August 8, 2013

Payroll

Public Works \$ 151,774.37

Bi-Weekly Casual \$ 445,976.64

Accounts Payable \$1,872,646.37

Total: \$2,470,397.38

Weekly Payment Vouchers For The Week Ending August 15, 2013

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Payroll

Public Works	\$ 430,540.45
Bi-Weekly Administration	\$ 937,742.91
Bi-Weekly Management	\$ 696,350/11
Bi-Weekly Fire Department	\$ 594.609.07
Accounts Payable	\$ 5,185,830.59

Total: \$ 7,844,973.13

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Tenders

- a. Tender Two (2) New Small Service Vans
- b. Tender Single Space Parking Meters and Software
- c. Tender Kiwanis Street Construction (Ladysmith Drive to Kelsey Drive)
- d. Tender Sprinkler Upgrade St. John's Recreation Centre, Buckmasters Circle

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It was decided on motion of Deputy Mayor Duff; seconded by Councillor Hann: That the recommendations of the Deputy City Manager, Corporate Services & City Clerk; the Director of Engineering and the Acting Deputy City Manager, Public Works, be approved and the tenders awarded as follows:

- a. Avalon Ford Sales @ \$61,562.43, taxes extra
- b. JJ McKay Canada Ltd. @ \$629,709.90, taxes extra
- c. Pyramid Construction Ltd. @ \$1,203,262.42
- d. Vipond Fire Protection @ \$225,491.50

Notice of Motion

Councillor Collins gave the following Notice of Motion:

TAKE NOTICE that I will at a future Regular Meeting of the St. John's Municipal Council move a motion to rescind Council's decision of August 5th, 2013 to reject the proposed amendments for Maddox Cove Road to rezone land from the Open Space Reserve Zone to the Rural Residential Infill Zone for future residential building lots.

DATED THIS 19th DAY OF AUGUST, 2013

Petition

Councillor Galgay tabled a petition the prayer of which reads as follows and which was referred to the Deputy City Manager, Planning, Development and Engineering:

"We, the undersigned, as residents of Hamel Street (South – in the area closest to Freshwater Road) are calling on the City of St. John's Council to <u>take immediate action to curb traffic</u> congestion and peaceful enjoyment issues being experienced in our neighbourhood.

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Lack of action by City Council as a result of a 40-car taxi stand being allowed to operate on the grounds of the Ultramar Service Station on Freshwater Road has resulted, not only, in over-crowded long-term parking on the Street by the personal vehicles of taxi driver, but also in the following events impacting our peaceful enjoyment of our homes. Namely:

- 1. Obstruction
- 2. Noise
- 3. Pollution and Litter
- 4. Increased crime and vandalism and
- 5. Overall impact on the peaceful enjoyment of our properties"

Other Business

Memorandum dated August 19th, 2013 from Deputy Mayor Duff, Chair Arts Advisory Committee Re: Poet Laureate Tom Dawe's Report, 2010-2013____

Council considered as information the above noted memorandum from Deputy Mayor Duff along with Poet Laureate Tom Dawe's Report, 2010 - 2013.

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It was moved by Deputy Mayor Duff; seconded by Councillor Collins: That the Poet Laureate Tom Dawe's Report, 2010-2013 be referred to the Arts Advisory Committee.

The motion being put was unanimously carried.

St. Pat's Ballfield

Council considered a memorandum dated August 16, 2013 from the Acting Deputy City Manager of Public Works concerning St. Pat's Ballfield.

SJMC2013-08-19/377R

It was moved by Councillor Galgay; seconded by Councillor Breen: That funding in the amount of \$150,000.00 plus HST be approved and allocated out of the City's three year capital budget, to allow the completion of the improvements to St. Pat's Ballfield.

The motion being put was unanimously carried.

Shea Heights Lookout

Council considered a memorandum dated August 19, 2013 from the Acting Deputy City Manager of Public Works concerning the above noted.

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It was moved by Councillor Galgay; seconded by Councillor Breen: That improvements to the Shea Heights Lookout on Blackhead Road be approved at a cost of \$130,790.21, HST included, and funded from the annual sustaining grant provided to the Grand Concourse, and further, if that funding is already committed, that funding be allocated for the project out of the City's three year capital budget.

The motion being put was unanimously carried.

Councilor O'Leary

Councillor O'Leary tabled a document Titled "City needs stronger heritage preservation regulations" which was referred to the Planning & Housing Standing Committee for consideration.

Councillor O'Leary tabled an article by Occupy Newfoundland and Labrador concerning the Battery Hotel and Public Transit which was referred to the Parks Department for consideration.

Councillor O'Leary raised a problem in relation to clogged culverts and stagnant water in the Linegar Avenue, Shea Heights area which was referred to the Director of Engineering for follow-up.

Adjournment

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

MAYOR	
CITY CLERK	