

February 1st, 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.

Acting Mayor Duff presided.

There were present also Councillors O'Leary, Hickman, Hann, Colbert, Breen, Galgay, Tilley, Hanlon and Collins

Regrets: His Worship the Mayor

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, City Solicitor and Manager, Corporate Secretariat were also in attendance.

Call to Order and Adoption of the Agenda

SJMC2010-02-01/60R

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

1. Memorandum dated January 29th, 2010 from the Director of Finance and City Treasurer re Formal Approval – Building Canada Fund – Base Component
2. Memorandum dated January 29th, 2010 from the Director of Finance and City Treasurer re Formal Approval – Building Canada Fund – Stimulus Component

Adoption of Minutes

SJMC2010-02-01/61R

It was decided on motion of Councillor Hickman; seconded by Councillor Collins: That the minutes of the January 25th, 2009 meeting be adopted as presented.

Business Arising

**Application to Rezone Land-Civic Number 280-282 Main Road
Applicant: Shawn Lee**

Under business arising, Council considered a memorandum dated January 27th, 2010 from the Director of Planning regarding the above noted.

SJMC2010-02-01/62R

It was moved by Councillor Collins; seconded by Councillor Hanlon: That the following Resolution for St. John’s Municipal Plan Amendment Number 78, 2009 and St. John’s Development Regulations Amendment Number 473, 2009 be adopted: which will then be referred to the Department of Municipal Affairs for Provincial registration in accordance with the requirements of the Urban and Rural Planning Act:

**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE
ST. JOHN’S MUNICIPAL PLAN AMENDMENT NUMBER 78, 2009
AND
ST. JOHN’S DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS AMENDMENT NUMBER 473,
2009**

Under the authority of sections 16, 17 and 18 of the Urban and Rural Planning Act, 2000, the St. John’s Municipal Council:

- a) Adopted St. John’s Municipal Plan Amendment Number 78, 2009 and St. John’s Development Regulation Amendment Number 473, 2009 on the 4th day of January, 2010.
- b) Gave notice of the adoption of St. John’s Municipal Plan Amendment Number 78, 2009 and St. John’s Development Regulations Amendment Number 473, 2009 by advertisements inserted in the Telegram newspaper on the 9th day and 13th day of January 2010.
- c) Set the 26th day of January, 2010 at 7:00 pm at St. John’s City Hall for the holding of public hearing to consider objections and representations.

Now under the authority of Section 23 of the Urban and Rural Planning Act, 2000, the St. John’s Municipal Council approves St. John’s Municipal Plan Amendment Number 78, 2009 and St. John’s Development Regulations Amendment Number 473, 2009 as adopted. **SIGNED AND SEALED** this 1st day of **February, 2010.**

Mayor

City Clerk

The motion being put was unanimously carried.
Proposed Text Amendment to the St. John’s Development Regulations, Multiple Housing Units in the Residential Medium Density (R2) Zone

Under business arising, Council considered a memorandum dated January 28th, 2010 from the Director of Planning regarding the above noted.

SJMC2010-02-01/63R

It was moved by Councillor Galgay; seconded by Councillor Hickman: That the following Resolution for St. John’s Development Regulations Amendment Number 475, 2010 be adopted, which will then be referred to the Department of Municipal Affairs with a request for Provincial registration in accordance with the requirements of the Urban and Rural Planning Act:

**RESOLUTION
ST. JOHN’S DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS
AMENDMENT NUMBER 475, 2010**

WHEREAS the City of St. John’s wishes to make provision for Multiple Dwellings in the Residential Medium Density (R2) Zone.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the City of St. John’s hereby adopts the following text amendment to the St. John’s Development Regulations pursuant to the provisions of the Urban and Rural Planning Act.

- 1. Amend Section 10.4.2 (RESIDENTIAL MEDIUM DENSITY (R2) ZONE: Discretionary Uses) by inserting “(e) Multiple Dwelling not exceeding 6 Dwelling Units (subject to Section 10.4.3(8))” and reordering the section accordingly.**
- 2. Amend Section 10.4.3. (RESIDENTIAL MEDIUM DENSITY (R2) ZONE: Zone Requirements) by adding the following:**

“ (8) Multiple Dwelling

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| a) | Maximum Number of Dwelling Units: | 6 |
| b) | Minimum Density: | 90m² Lot Area per Dwelling Unit |
| c) | Minimum Lot Frontage: | 6 metres per Ground Floor Dwelling unit |
| d) | Maximum Building Height: | 3 storeys |
| e) | Building Line (minimum): | 6 metres |
| f) | Rear Yard (minimum): | 6 metres |
| g) | Side Yards (minimum): | Two of 1.2 metres |
| h) | Side Yard on Flanking Road (minimum): | 6 metres |
| i) | Off-Street Parking Spaces (minimum): | 1 space per Dwelling Unit |
| j) | Landscaping Front Yard: At least 40% of the Front Yard shall be landscaped. However, the Director of Building and Property Management or a designate may vary this requirement where, in his/her opinion, it is deemed warranted and desirable. ” | |

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.

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 1st day of **February, 2010.**

Mayor

City Clerk

I hereby certify that this Amendment has been prepared in accordance with the Urban and Rural Planning Act, 2000.

MCIP

The motion being put was unanimously carried.

Development Committee Report dated January 26th, 2010

Council considered the following Development Committee Report dated January 26th, 2010:

RECOMMENDATION OF APPROVAL:

- 1. Proposed Demolition and Replacement of Dwelling
Virginia and Wayne Halley
Civic No. 53 Battery Road (Ward 2)**

The Development Committee recommends that Council approve the above noted application in accordance with Section 7.12.1(a) of the St. John’s Development Regulations.

- 2. Proposed Demolition and Replacement of Dwelling
Andrew Ploughman
Civic No. 116 King’s Hill Road – Town of Portugal Cove-St. Philips
Broad Cove River Watershed**

The Development Committee recommends that Council approve the above noted application pursuant to Section 104(4)(c) of the City of St. John’s Act. It is also recommended that the applicant be required to remove one of the existing sheds prior to the issuance of a permit to construct the proposed dwelling.

- 3. Proposed Long Term Care Facility
Hearn Fougere Architects Inc. on behalf of the
Provincial Department of Transportation & Works
Newfoundland Drive (Ward 1)**

The Development Committee recommends that Council approve the **attached** Terms of Reference for the Land Use Assessment Report for the above noted proposed development. It is also recommended that once the report has been received and reviewed by City staff to determine if all applicable information has been provided, the Report be advertised for public review and comment.

**4. Proposed Rezoning and Redevelopment for New Lawton's Drugstore
And Medical Clinic
Chimo Construction on behalf of Dr. Cosmos Ho
Civic Nos. 38-42 Bay Bulls Road (Ward 5)**

The Development Committee recommends that Council approve the **attached** Terms of Reference for the Land Use Assessment Report for the above noted proposed development. It is also recommended that once the report has been received and reviewed by City staff to determine if all applicable information has been provided, staff be directed to schedule a public meeting, to be chaired by a member of Council, on the application for rezoning and the Land Use Assessment Report.

**Ronald Penney, Chairperson
City Manager**

SJMC2010-02-01/64R

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

Regarding Item #3, Proposed Long Term Care Facility, Newfoundland Drive, it is also recommended that once the LUAR has been received and reviewed by staff, that a public meeting be scheduled to be chaired by a member of Council, on the Land Use Assessment Report.

Council also asked that the Terms of Reference for the Land Use Assessment Report be modified to include the following :

1. Identify the buffer between the roadway entering the property and the properties on Virginia Place which border on the west side.
2. Identify the accumulative impact of traffic in the area

The motion to adopt the report, including the noted amendments, was unanimously carried.

Public Works & Environment Standing Committee Report dated January 26, 2010

Council considered the following Public Works & Environment Standing Committee

Report date January 26, 2010:

In Attendance: Councillor Sandy Hickman, Chairperson
Deputy Mayor Shannie Duff
Mayor Dennis O’Keefe
Councillor Tom Hann
Councillor Danny Breen
Councillor Sheila O’Leary
Councillor Bruce Tilley
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
Michael Dwyer, Director of Regional Fire Services & Fire Chief
Walt Mills, Director of Engineering
John Barry, Senior Project Engineer
Jim Clarke, Manager of Streets & Parks
Brendan O’Connell, Manager of Environmental Services
Jason Sinyard, Manager of Waste Management
Steve Colford, Operations & Systems Engineer
Phil Hiscock, Operations Assistant, Streets
Shelley Pardy, Waste Diversion Communications Supervisor
Karen Chafe, Recording Secretary

1. **Billboard Signs**

The Committee considered a memo dated January 26, 2010 from the Director of Building and Property Management regarding his Department’s direction to investigate the regulatory requirements for billboard signs in other jurisdictions in an effort to determine an appropriate approach for the City of St. John’s. This information has now been collected.

The Committee recommends that the Director of Building and Property Management meet with industry representatives to discuss the proposed amendments to the regulatory requirements for billboard signs.

2. **Snowclearing – McDonald’s Lane and Ryan’s Lane**

The Committee considered a memo dated January 15, 2010 from Mayor O’Keefe requesting that the City add the snow clearing of McDonald’s Lane and Ryan’s Lane to its list for snow clearing.

The Committee on motion of Councillor Tilley; seconded by Mayor O’Keefe recommends that Council approve the snow clearing of McDonald’s Lane and Ryan’s Lane to the existing contract for Stanley’s Lane and Wild Rose Lane.

3. **Corrugated Metal Storm Sewer Pipe**

The Committee considered a memo dated January 22nd, 2010 regarding the above noted matter.

The Committee on motion of Councillor Tilley; seconded by Deputy Mayor Duff; recommends that corrugated metal storm sewer pipe be removed from City specifications for use in developments and capital works projects.

4. Recycling Facilities in City Owned/Occupied Buildings

Manager/Director of Public Works & Parks regarding the implementation of appropriate recycling systems in City buildings.

The Committee on motion of Councillor Breen; seconded by Deputy Mayor Duff recommends that Council approve the following recommendations:

- **Recommendation # 1: All departments are to be provided a series of mandatory information sessions explaining the City's recycling program. This will include changes within the workplace and changes at home. It is important that City staff understand the program as they will set the example and serve as sources of information for family and friends. Misinformation from City employees will negatively impact the program's success. Waste Management to be responsible for arranging and providing presentations.**
- **Recommendation # 2: All publicly accessible areas of City facilities are to be equipped with separate bins for recyclable paper products and containers. A list of what is acceptable in each bin to be posted adjacent the bin. Property Management to be responsible to provide bins. Waste Management responsible to provide lists of recyclable items.**
- **Recommendation # 3: Every workstation (where practical) to be equipped with a bin for paper products. Most workstations already have this. Property Management to be responsible to provide bins. Waste Management to be responsible to provide lists of recyclable items.**
- **Recommendation # 4: Every staff common area (lunchroom, boardroom, kitchen, etc., where practical) to be equipped with separate bins for paper products and containers. A list of what is acceptable in each bin to be posted adjacent the bin. Property Management to be responsible to provide bins. Waste Management to be responsible to provide lists of recyclable items.**
- **Recommendation # 5: Different colour bins are to be used for paper products and containers to easily identify the difference for users and reduce cross-contamination. Bin colours to be**

standardized throughout the organization. Property Management and Waste Management to work together to identify appropriate colours (ex: blue for paper/grey for containers).

- **Recommendation # 6:** Only transparent blue plastic bags (not garbage bags) are to be used in recycling bins. Property Management to be responsible to provide bags.
- **Recommendation # 7:** Existing collection contracts are to be modified or new contracts called to include the collection of both recyclable paper products and recyclable containers. Collection contracts should be extended to ensure all City owned/occupied facilities are included. Waste Management to be responsible to provide recycling collection to City facilities from which it currently collects garbage. Property Management to be responsible to administer contracts to provide recycling collection to all other owned/occupied City facilities.

**Councillor Sandy Hickman
Chairperson**

SJMC2010-02-01/65R

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

During discussion, Councillor O'Leary stressed the importance of litter awareness and asked that litter photos distributed by her at the Public Works and Environment Committee meeting be made available to the members of Council who were not in attendance. Councillor O'Leary also asked that the Deputy City Manager and Director of Public Works and Parks provide the time frame for the distribution of the new pickup schedule, the time frame for the installation of the extra litter bins, budgeted for 2010 and the plan for the lid design.

Following discussion, the motion being put was unanimously carried.

Development Permits List

Council considered as information the following Development Permit List for the period January 22 to 28, 2010:

**DEVELOPMENT PERMITS LIST
DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING
FOR THE PERIOD OF January 22, 2010 TO January 28, 2010**

Code	Applicant	Application	Location	Ward	Development Officer's Decision	Date
COM	Custom Cabinets and Supplies Limited	Commercial Subdivision – Lot No.1	East White Hills Rd	1	Approved	10-01-27
COM	Strickland's Auto Salvage Ltd	Car Sales Lot	386 Blackhead Road	5	Approved	10-01-28
AG	Karla Furey and Kevin Anderson	Large Animal Rehab Centre and Single Detached Dwelling	79 Cochrane Pond Road	5	Rejected under Section 15 by Department of Agriculture	10-01-18

<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

SJMC2010-02-01/66R

**It was decided on motion of Councillor Hann; seconded by Councillor Tilley:
That the recommendation of the Director of Building and Property
Management with respect to the following Building Permits List be approved:**

2010/01/27

Permits List

CLASS: COMMERCIAL

GOLDEN PHOENIX REST	56 KENMOUNT RD	SN RESTAURANT
HUMPHREY'S BAR & RESTAURANT	177-179 NEW GOWER ST	SN RESTAURANT
PAYLESS SHOESOURCE	430 TOPSAIL RD, PAYLESS SHOES	SN RETAIL STORE
THE GOV.COUNC.-S.A. CANADA E.	105 TORBAY RD	MS HOME FOR AGED
HAYWARD INTERIORS PLUS INC.	205 KENMOUNT RD	NC ACCESSORY BUILDING
CHIMO CONSTRUCTION	17-23 MEWS PL	RN OFFICE
LUC VIAU	36 GEORGE STREET	RN RESTAURANT
NEWLAB ENGINEERING LIMITED	83 THORBURN RD	CR OFFICE
CHIMO CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT	158 EAST WHITE HILLS RD	TI MIXED USE
SHEPELL FGI CLINIC	8-10 ROWAN ST	CR CLINIC

THIS WEEK \$ 494,200.00

CLASS: INDUSTRIAL

THIS WEEK \$.00

CLASS: GOVERNMENT/INSTITUTIONAL

ST. JOHN'S FIRST ASSEMBLY	759 EMPIRE AVE	SN CHURCH
G.J. CAHILL & CO.	240 WATERFORD BRIDGE RD	RN COMMERCIAL SCHOOL

THIS WEEK \$ 1,501,500.00

CLASS: RESIDENTIAL

PRO-TECH CONSTRUCTION	89 CASTLE BRIDGE DR. LOT 96	NC SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING
COLIN CROFT	13 JAMIE KORAB ST	NC PATIO DECK
G. MARTIN	344 PENNYWELL RD	NC PATIO DECK
NEW VICTORIAN HOMES	2 SOLDIER CRES, LOT 46	NC SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING
TIMOTHY HEFFERNAN & CRYSTAL	27 GREEN ACRE DR	CO HOME OFFICE
BRYHANNA GREENOUGH AND	2 BATES HILL	CR MIXED USE
BRADLEY & SHARILEE WAY	115 FIRDALE DR	EX SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING
FRANK WHELAN	34 BARTER'S HILL PL	RN SEMI-DETACHED DWELLING
RICHARD BURSEY	87 BRAD GUSHUE CRES	RN SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING
ALLAN KWABIAH AND	283 ELIZABETH AVE	RN SUBSIDIARY APARTMENT
JEANNE M. O'BRIEN	108 GOWER ST	RN TOWNHOUSING
NFLD & LABRADOR HOUSING CORP.	32 MCKAY ST	RN SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING
GERALD AND RITA DOWNEY	9 SKANES AVE	RN SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING
NOSEGARD HOLDINGS LIMITED	CANSO PLACE	SN VACANT LAND

THIS WEEK \$ 495,580.00

CLASS: DEMOLITION

SHARON WALSH NIKLAS	6 TOP BATTERY RD	DM SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING
NFLD & LABRADOR HOUSING CORP.	2 LITTLE ST	DM TOWNHOUSING
NFLD & LABRADOR HOUSING CORP.	4 LITTLE ST	DM TOWNHOUSING
NFLD & LABRADOR HOUSING CORP.	6 LITTLE ST	DM TOWNHOUSING
NFLD & LABRADOR HOUSING CORP.	8 LITTLE ST	DM TOWNHOUSING
CIR MANAGEMENT LTD.	430 TOPSAIL RD	DM RETAIL STORE

THIS WEEK \$ 275,100.00

THIS WEEK'S TOTAL: \$ 2,766,380.00

REPAIR PERMITS ISSUED: 2010/01/20 TO 2010/01/27 \$ 13,000.00

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

SJMC2010-02-01/67R

It was decided on motion of Councillor Hann; seconded by Councillor Tilley: That the following Payrolls and Accounts for the week ending January 28th, 2010 be approved:

**Weekly Payment Vouchers
For The
Week Ending January 28, 2010**

PAYROLL

Public Works	\$ 387,143.98
Bi-Weekly Casual	\$ 470,076.09

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

	\$ 2,777,547.79
Total:	\$3,181,891.10

Tenders

- a. **Tender – Data Loggers (90 units plus on-site training)**
- b. **Tender – Robin Hood Bay Landfill Re-Engineering Contract 4L – Fabrication & Installation of Railing**
- c. **Proposals – Engineering Consulting Services Forest Road Watermain Upgrading**

SJMC2010-02-01/68R

It was moved by Councillor Hann; seconded by Councillor Hickman: 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. **G & M Project Management in the amount of \$57,701.50 (taxes not included)**
- b. **Metal World Inc. in the amount of \$168,710.18**
- c. **Newfoundland and Labrador Consulting Engineers Limited**

(Regarding Item c – The Director of Engineering was asked to provide the cost of the Engineering Consulting Services to be provided by Newfoundland and Labrador Consulting Engineers Ltd.)

Former School House, Quidi Vidi Village Road

Council considered a memorandum dated January 27th, 2010 from the Director of Building and Property Management regarding the above noted.

SJMC2010-02-01/69R

It was moved by Councillor Hanlon; seconded by Councillor Galgay: That the recommendation of the Director of Building and Property Management that a tender be issued for the demolition and removal of the former School House, Quidi Vidi Village Road, be approved.

The motion being put was unanimously carried.

Quarterly Travel Report for the fourth quarter of 2009

Council considered as information the Travel Report for the fourth quarter of 2009.

Letter of thanks dated January 24, 2010 from Chief of Police, J.F. Browne, RNC re Community Celebration Task Force

Council acknowledged the above noted letter from the Chief of Police.

Formal Approval – Building Canada Fund – Base Component

Council considered a memorandum dated January 29, 2010 from the Director of Finance and City Treasurer regarding the above noted.

SJMC2010-02-01/70R

It was moved by Councillor Hann; seconded by Councillor Tilley: That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to enter into an agreement on behalf of Council for the following projects, with costs as detailed in the attached schedule “A”, and approved under the Building Canada Fund – Base Component, totaling \$12,824,319.00:

- 1. Street Rehabilitation**
- 2. Retaining Walls and Sidewalks**
- 3. Bay Bulls Road Upgrade**
- 4. Blackmarsh Road Upgrade**
- 5. Brookfield Road Upgrade**
- 6. Quidi Vidi Lake Weir**

The motion being put was unanimously carried.

Formal Approval – Building Canada Fund – Stimulus Component

Council considered a memorandum dated January 29, 2010 from the Director of Finance and City Treasurer regarding the above noted.

SJMC2010-02-01/71R

It was moved by Councillor Hann; seconded by Councillor Tilley: That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to enter into an agreement on behalf of Council for the following projects with costs as detailed in the attached Schedule “A”, and approved under the Building Canada Fund – Stimulus Component, totaling \$85,460,000.00:

- 1. Watermain Upgrade-Forest Road**
- 2. Sewer Replacement – Kelley/Everard Drive**
- 3. Renovate Municipal Depot**
- 4. Storm Sewer-Northeast Land Assembly**
- 5. Water Treatment – Bay Bulls Big Pond**
- 6. Water Treatment – Petty Harbour Long Pond**

The motion being put was unanimously carried.

Councillor O’Leary

- In speaking to the issues of litter and garbage, Councillor O’Leary encouraged members of the general public to use the City’s 311 service to register their complaints and concerns.
- Councillor O’Leary advised of a recently formed Committee comprised of her, Karen Hickman, Executive Director, St. John’s Clean and Beautiful, Scott Cluney, Downtown Development Corporation, Seamus O’Keefe, George Street Association, to deal with cigarette butt litter, basically focused on the downtown area, starting with the George Street area.
- Councillor O’Leary commended organizers and volunteers of the Hearts for Haiti Newfoundland who worked tirelessly on the recent fundraising event.
- Councillor O’Leary updated Council on the Neighbourhood Watch Program pilot project which will end towards the end of February, noting that the Neighbourhood Watch Coordinator Position will be in place and will be housed within the Community Development Division.

Councillor Hickman

- Councillor Hickman noted that the City's snow clearing crews have been working on picking up litter in and around the City.

Councillor Hann

- Councillor Hann noted that the plan to install bike racks on buses was discussed at a recent meeting of the St. John's Transportation Commission and the plan will move forward as soon as they occupy the new building. Councillor Hann further advised that pre-tender estimates for the new building are expected this week and pending staff review, tenders will be called shortly thereafter, likely "turn sod" early spring.
- Councillor Hann advised that Metrobus is conducting a reassessment of service and how it can tie in to the downtown traffic. He further noted that consideration will also be given to how to go about promoting a regional transit system.

Council Breen

- Councillor Breen noted that on Saturday, CBC sponsored their annual Hockey Day in Canada event with St. John's being designated as a satellite location. Councillor Breen noted that the REAL Program was a significant benefactor of that event, with the NHL Players Association, through its Goals and Dreams Program, together with CBC, donating 50 sets of hockey equipment to the REAL program at an approximate cost of \$25,000. He thanked NHL Players Association and the CBC for putting off this event locally and keeping in mind the City's REAL Program.

Council asked that letters of thanks be forwarded to the NHL Players Association and the CBC.

Councillor Galgay

- Councillor Galgay advised that he recently visited the Buckmaster's Circle Community Centre and spoke with some of the residents of the Livingstone

Street/Cabot Street area, who are very grateful to the City and the cooperating partners, the Provincial and Federal Governments for the funding of the Martin's Meadow Park and the Buckmaster's Circle Playground.

Councillor Tilley

- Councillor Tilley asked that a letter of congratulations be forwarded to Elizabeth Marshall on her appointment to the Canadian Senate.

Councillor Hanlon

- Councillor Hanlon congratulated the Chalker Place Neighbourhood Community Centre and advised that they are looking for volunteers to assist with their day to day running of their centre.
- Councillor Hanlon advised of plans for round table discussions to be held in Ward 4 on February 18 at 95 Bonaventure Avenue.
- Councillor Hanlon noted that Municipalities Newfoundland and Labrador are encouraging members to donate to the Haiti Relief effort, and through the Federation of Canadian Municipalities are encouraging members to volunteer for the FCM Construction Program through the Canadian Red Cross. She noted she will apprise Council of the details of MNL's donation pending meetings to be held in Wabush.

Acting Mayor Duff

- Acting Mayor Duff acknowledged the initiatives of other groups, churches etc. towards the Haiti Relief Fund. She commended the contribution of the artists who always respond very generously.

- Acting Mayor Duff noted she received a number of concerns with respect to Council's decision to no longer purchase tables for fundraisers or participate in charity golf tournaments. She assured residents that this is a contained decision related only to dinners and golf tournaments because of the fact it was not deemed to be the most effective way to support those groups, and noted that the City is not cutting other grants.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

MAYOR

CITY CLERK