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 O=Keefe, Councillors Duff, Colbert, Hickman, Hann, Galgay, Coombs, Ellsworth and Collins.

Regrets: Councillor Puddister

The Chief Commissioner/City Solicitor, Associate Commissioner/Director of Corporate Services and City Clerk, Associate Commissioner/Director of Engineering, Director of Planning, and Manager, Corporate Secretariat were also in attendance.

Call to Order and Adoption of Agenda

SJMC2007-01-22/33R

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

- a. Memorandum dated January 22, 2007 from the Manager, Corporate Secretariat re: Travel by Deputy Mayor O=Keefe
- b. Memorandum dated January 22, 2007 from the Chief Commissioner/City Solicitor re: 11 Pennywell Road, City Land

Adoption of the Minutes

SJMC2007-01-22/34R

It was decided on motion of Councillor Ellsworth; seconded by Councillor Hann: That the Minutes of January 22, 2007 be adopted as presented.

Point of Privilege

Under business arising, Council considered as information a memorandum dated January 16, 2007 from the Chief Commissioner/City Solicitor in response to a

request form the Mayor to provide advice on what constitutes a point of personal privilege.

<u>Proposed Text Amendments - St. John=s Development Regulations</u>

Under business arising, Council considered a memorandum dated January 16, 2007 from the Director of Planning concerning the above noted.

SJMC2007-01-22/35R

It was moved by Councillor Duff; seconded by Councillor Hann: That the following Resolutions for St. John=s Development Regulations Amendment Numbers (a) 396, 2007; (b) 397, 2007; 8 398, 2007; and 399, 2007 be adopted; which will then be referred to the Department of Municipal Affairs with a request for Provincial registration of the amendments in accordance with the requirements of the Urban and Rural Planning Act, 2000:

RESOLUTION ST. JOHN=S DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS AMENDMENT NUMBER 396, 2007

WHEREAS the St. John=s Municipal Council wishes to include a definition for AHeavy Equipment Storage@ and to allow this use as a Discretionary Use in the Rural Residential Infill (RRI) Zone and the Rural Residential (RR) Zone.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the St. John=s Municipal Council hereby adopts the following text amendments to the St. John=s Development Regulations, pursuant to the provisions of the Urban and Rural Planning Act, 2000.

1. Amend Section 2 (Definitions) by adding the following definition:

AHeavy Equipment Storage means the use of land or buildings for the storage or parking of operational heavy motorized vehicles or equipment such as, but not limited to: construction equipment, transportation equipment, agricultural equipment or fisheries equipment, tow trucks, tractors, tractor trailers, semi-trailers, dump trucks, flatbed trucks, utility trucks, graders, excavators and construction trailers, and shall exclude the service or maintenance, the sale or rental, the salvage for scrap or recycling of equipment or materials or the storage of scrap materials from the aforementioned type of vehicles and equipment.

2. Amend Section 7 ASpecial Developments@ by the addition of the following new subsection.

- A7.26 Heavy Equipment Storage is subject to the following requirements:
 - (a) Open storage of heavy equipment shall be restricted solely to the rear yard and shall not be visible from a street;
 - (b) Open storage of heavy equipment shall be screened from adjoining land uses in accordance with the provisions of Section 8.5.1; and
 - (c) The heavy equipment is owned and/or operated by the owner and/or resident of the property.@
- 3. Amend Section 10.34.2 Discretionary Uses Agriculture (AG) Zone by repealing subsection 10.34.2 (b) Discretionary Uses and substituting the following:
 - A10.34.2(b) Heavy Equipment Storage subject to Section 7.26 and provided

that approval has been granted by the Land Development Advisory Authority under the St. John=s Urban Region (Agriculture) Development Area Regulations.@

- 4. Amend Section 10.38.2 Discretionary Uses Rural (R) Zone by repealing subsection 10.38.2 (e) and substituting the following:
 - A10.38.2(e) Heavy Equipment Storage subject to Section 7.26.@
- 5. Amend Section 10.40.2 Discretionary Uses Rural Residential (RR) Zone by adding a new subsection to read as follows:
 - A10.40.2(j) Heavy Equipment Storage subject to Section 7.26.@
- 6. Amend Section 10.41.2 Discretionary Uses Rural Residential (RRI) Zone by adding a new subsection to read as follows:
 - A10.41.2(f) Heavy Equipment Storage subject to Section 7.26.@

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the St. John=s Municipal Council 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 I and the City Clerk on behalf of Council this 22 nd day of January, 2007.	of		
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Director of Corporate Services/City			

RESOLUTION ST. JOHN=S DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS AMENDMENT NUMBER 397, 2007

WHEREAS the St. John=s Municipal Council wishes to clarify the minimum lot frontage requirement for semi-detached dwellings in the Residential Battery (RB) Zone as designated in the St. John=s Development Regulations.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the St. John=s Municipal Council hereby adopts the following text amendment to the St. John=s Development Regulations, pursuant to the provisions of the Urban and Rural Planning Act, 2000.

Amend Section 10.8.3 - Zone Requirements - the Residential Battery (RB) Zone by repealing Section 10.8.3 (4) (b); and substituting it with the following:

A 10.8.3(4)(b) Lot Frontage (minimum) 7.5 metres per Dwelling

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the St. John=s Municipal Council 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 22nd day of January, 2007.

	Mayor	I hereby certify that this Amendment has been prepared in accordance with the Urban and Rural Planning Act, 2000. MCIP
Director of Services/City Clerk	Corporate	

RESOLUTION ST. JOHN=S DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS AMENDMENT NUMBER 398, 2007

WHEREAS the St. John=s Municipal Council wishes to amend the provisions of the St. John=s Development Regulations respecting Seniors= Apartment Buildings.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the St. John=s Municipal Council hereby adopts the following text amendments to the St. John=s Development Regulations, pursuant to the provisions of the Urban and Rural Planning Act, 2000.

1) Repeal the present Section 7.19 - Seniors= Apartment Building and substitute it with the following:

A7.19 Seniors= Apartment Buildings

Seniors= Apartment Buildings are subject to the following requirements:

- Parking for non-residential uses shall comply with Section
 of these Regulations; and
- 2) Uses complementary to a Seniors= Apartment Building

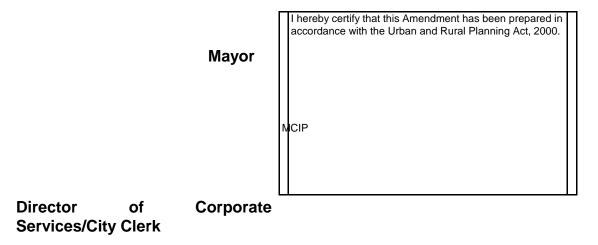
may be allowed by Council as a Discretionary Use in designated zones.@

- 2) Add AUses complementary to a Seniors= Apartment Building (subject to Section 7.19)@ to Section 10.11.2 Discretionary Uses Apartment Special (AA) Zone.
- 3) Add AUses complementary to a Seniors= Apartment Building (subject to Section 7.19)@ to Section 10.12.2 Discretionary Uses Apartment Low Density (A1) Zone.
- 4) Add AUses complementary to a Seniors= Apartment Building (subject to Section 7.19)@ to Section 10.13.2 Discretionary Uses Apartment Medium Density (A2) Zone.
- 5) Add AUses complementary to a Seniors= Apartment Building (subject to Section 7.19)@ to Section 10.14.2 Discretionary Uses Apartment High Density (A3) Zone.
- 6) Add AUses complementary to a Seniors= Apartment Building (subject to Section 7.19)@ to Section 10.15.2 Discretionary Uses Apartment Downtown (AD) Zone.
- 7) Add AUses complementary to a Seniors= Apartment Building (subject to Section 7.19)@ to Section 10.18.2 Discretionary Uses Commercial Office (CO) Zone.
- 8) Add AUses complementary to a Seniors= Apartment Building (subject to Section 7.19)@ as a Discretionary Use to Section 10.19 Commercial Office Hotel (COH) Zone.
- 9) Add AUses complementary to a Seniors= Apartment Building (subject to Section 7.19)@ as a Discretionary Use to Section 10.32 Institutional (INST) Zone.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the St. John=s Municipal Council 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 22nd day of January, 2007.



RESOLUTION ST. JOHN=S DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS AMENDMENT NUMBER 399, 2007

WHEREAS the St. John=s Municipal Council wishes to modify the provisions of the St. John=s Development Regulations regarding the deferral and timing of decisions on applications.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the St. John=s Municipal Council hereby adopts the following text amendments to the St. John=s Development Regulations pursuant to the provisions of the Urban and Rural Planning Act, 2000.

Repeal Section 5.2.4 - ADeferment/Withdrawal of the Application@ and substitute the following:

A5.2.4 Deferment/Withdrawal of the Application

- 1) At the written request of the applicant, Council or an Officer may defer consideration of an application;
- Where an applicant requests deferral of an application and the application is subject to the publication notification procedures set out in Section 5.5 of these Regulations, the application may be deferred for a maximum period of ninety (90) calendar days from the date of receipt from the applicant of the written request for deferral. Should the applicant not reactivate and proceed with the application within the ninety (90) calendar day period, the application

shall be considered withdrawn; and

3) An application may be withdrawn only on receipt of a written request from the applicant.@

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the St. John=s Municipal Council requests the Minister of Municipal Affairs to register the amendment in accordance with 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 Council this 22nd day of January, 2007.

Mayor	
Director of Corporate	
Services & City Clerk	

The motion being put was unanimously carried.

Application to Rezone Property for a New Pharmacy/Medical Clinic, Former Newfoundland Margarine Company Property, LeMarchant Road, Plazacorp Retail **Properties**

Under business arising, Council considered a memorandum dated January 17, 2007 from the Director of Planning regarding the above noted application and advising that the Land Use Assessment Report has now been submitted by engineering consultants on behalf of the applicants and reviewed by City staff, and it is now in order to proceed to the public meeting which is scheduled for Tuesday, February 6,

I hereby certify that this Development Regulations Amendment has been prepared in accordance with the Urban and Rural Planning

MCIP stamp and signature

Application to Rezone Property for an Office

2007 at 7:00 p.m.

Building, Ricketts Road, LeMarchant Road 1995 Ltd. Under business arising, Council considered a memorandum dated January 18, 2007 from the Director of Planning regarding the above noted.

SJMC2007-01-22/36R

It was moved by Councillor Duff; seconded by Councillor Hann: That the following Resolutions for St. John=s Municipal Plan Amendment Number 44, 2007 and St. John=s Development Regulations Amendment Number 400, 2007 be adopted: and further, that Mr. Glenn Barnes, a member of the City=s Commissioner list be appointed to conduct a public hearing and to prepare a report with recommendations for Council=s consideration on the proposed amendments, the proposed date for the hearing being February 12, 2007.

RESOLUTION ST. JOHN=S MUNICIPAL PLAN AMENDMENT NUMBER 44, 2007

WHEREAS the St. John=s Municipal Council wishes to redesignate land on Rickett=s Road from the Residential High Density Land Use District to the Commercial General Land Use District in order to permit the construction of an office building.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the St. John=s Municipal Council hereby adopts the following map amendment to the St. John=s Municipal Plan pursuant to the provisions of the Urban and Rural Planning Act, 2000:

Redesignate land at Rickett=s Road behind Civic Number 130 LeMarchant Road from the Residential High Density Land Use District to the Commercial General Land Use District as shown on Map II - 1A attached.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the St. John=s Municipal Council 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 22nd day of January, 2007.

Mayor

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M.C.I.P. signature and seal

Director of Corporate Services/ City Clerk

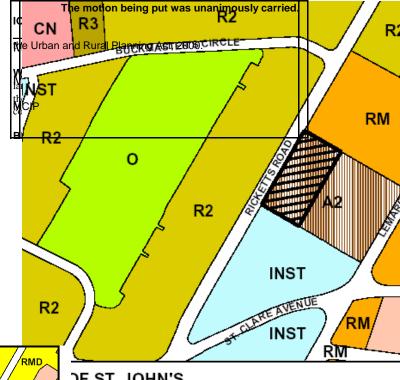
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AREA PROPOSED TO BE REZONED FROM APARTMENT MEDIUM DENSITY (A2) LAND USE ZONE TO COMMERCIAL NEIGHBOURHOOD (CN) LAND USE ZONE

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RESOLUTION ST. JOHN=S DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS AMENDMENT NUMBER 400, 2007

WHEREAS the St. John=s Municipal Council wishes to rezone land on Rickett=s Road from the Apartment Medium (A2) Zone to the Commercial Neighbourhood (CN) Zone to permit the construction of an office building.

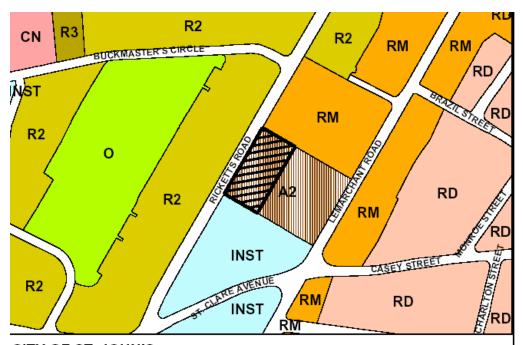
BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the St. John=s Municipal Council hereby adopts the following map amendment to the St. John=s Development Regulations pursuant to the provisions of the Urban and Rural Planning Act, 2000.

Rezone land at Rickett=s Road behind Civic Number 130 LeMarchant Road from the Apartment Medium Density (A2) Zone to the Commercial Neighbourhood (CN) Zone as shown on Map Z-1A attached.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the St. John=s Municipal Council requests the Minister of Municipal Affairs to register the amendment in accordance with 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 22nd day of January, 2007.

Mayor	I hereby certify that this Development Regulations Amendment has been prepared in accordance with the Urban and Rural Planning Act.
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Director of Corporate Services & City Clerk	



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LAND USE ZONING AND SUBDIVISION REGULATIONS 1994 AMENDMENT No. 400, 2007 [MAP Z-1A]



AREA PROPOSED TO BE REZONED FROM APARTMENT MEDIUM DENSITY (A2) LAND USE ZONE TO COMMERCIAL NEIGHBOURHOOD (CN) LAND USE ZONE

RICKETT'S ROAD - REAR 130 LEMARCHANT ROAD

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

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MAYOR

DIRECTOR CORP. SERVICES/CITY CLERK

COUNCIL ADOPTION

M.C.I.P. signature and seal

The motion being put was unanimously carried.

C. Notices Published

1. A Discretionary Use Application has been submitted by Karl F. Stack (Progressive Paving Plus) requesting permission to establish and operate an asphalt paving business from Civic No. 731-733 Main Road. The proposed business will necessitate the storage of heavy equipment at the site which storage will include a dump truck, utility trailer, asphalt roller and back hoe. (Ward 5)

MEMORANDUM DATED JANUARY 16, 2007 FROM THE DIRECTOR OF PLANNING

SJMC2007-01-22/37R

It was decided on motion of Councillor Collins; seconded by Councillor Hann: That the application be approved, along with the proposed text amendment to the Development Regulations for AHeavy Equipment Storage@, subject to submission by the applicant of a plan for review by City staff which satisfies the screening requirements of the Development Regulations for AHeavy Equipment Storage@ uses in the RRI Zone.

2. A Discretionary Use application has been submitted by Fred Parsons requesting permission to establish and operate a **Home Occupation** for the purpose of the retail and repair of All Terrain Vehicles (ATV=s) from the accessory building/garage currently on the property at Civic No. 45 Main Road. The proposed Home Occupation will occupy 80 m² in the accessory building. Business hours will be 8:30 a.m to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Saturday. Offstreet parking can accommodate ten (10) vehicles and the business will employ a staff of one (1). (Ward 5)

SJMC2007-01-22/38R

It was decided on motion of Deputy Mayor O=Keefe; seconded by Councillor Ellsworth: That the application be approved.

Public Hearings

a. Public Hearing Report dated January 8, 2007
 Memorandum dated January 10, 2007 from the Director of Planning

consider an application from Mr. Max Watton to rezone property at Civic Number 70 Freshwater Road (the former Murphy Estate) from the Residential High Density (R3) Zone to the Apartment Low Density (A1) Zone. The applicant advised that the purpose of the rezoning is to permit the construction of an eight (8) unit, two-storey residential condominium development. In this regard, Council also considered a memorandum dated January 10,2007 from the Director of Planning. Councillors Duff and Galgay noted that in staff=s opinion, the revised site plan satisfactorily addresses the concerns of area residents raised at the public meeting.

SJMC2007-01-22/39R

It was moved by Councillor Duff; seconded by Councillor Hickman: That the following Resolution for St. John=s Development Regulations Amendment Number 401, 2007 which would have the effect of rezoning the application property at Civic Number 70 Freshwater Road to the Apartment Low Density (A1) Zone and of placing a height restriction for apartment buildings at this location to a maximum of two (2) storeys (to a maximum height of 8 metres), be approved, which will then be referred to the Department of Municipal Affairs with a request for Provincial registration of the rezoning and text amendment in accordance with the requirements of the Urban and Rural Planning Act, 2000;

RESOLUTION ST. JOHN=S DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS AMENDMENT NUMBER 401, 2007

WHEREAS the St. John=s Municipal Council wishes to amend the zoning designation of property situated at Civic Number 70 Freshwater Road in order to permit the construction of a residential apartment development.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the St. John=s Municipal Council hereby adopts the following map amendment to the St. John=s Development Regulations pursuant to the provisions of the Urban and Rural Planning Act, 2000.

1. Rezone land at Civic Number 70 Freshwater Road from the Residential High Density (R3) Zone to the Apartment Low Density (A1) Zone as shown on Map Z-1A attached.

2. Repeal Section 10.12.3(1)(f) (Maximum Building Height for Apartment Buildings in the Apartment Low Density (A1) Zone) and replace it with a new subsection to read as follows:

A10.12.3(1)(f) Apartment Buildings - Building Height (maximum)three (3) storeys (not exceeding 12 metres) except for the property at Civic Number 70 Freshwater Road (and referred to as the former Murphy Estate) where the maximum building height is limited to two (2) storeys (not exceeding 8 metres).

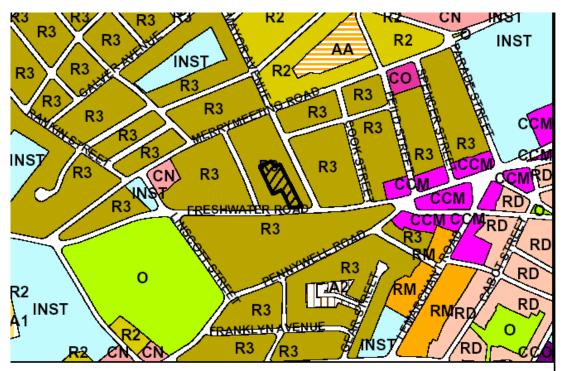
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the St. John=s Municipal Council requests the Minister of Municipal Affairs to register the amendment in accordance with the Urban and Rural Planning Act.

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 22nd day of January, 2007.

Mayor	
Director of C	Corporate Services

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

MCIP stamp and signature



CITY OF ST. JOHN'S LAND USE ZONING AND SUBDIVISION REGULATIONS 1994 AMENDMENT No. 401, 2007 [MAP Z-1A]

SCALE= 1:5000

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AREA PROPOSED TO BE REZONED FROM RESIDENTIAL HIGH DENSITY (R3) LAND USE ZONE TO APARTMENT LOW DENSITY (A1) LAND USE ZONE

70 FRESHWATER ROAD

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

MAYOR	
DIRECTOR CORP. SERVICES/CITY CLERK	
COUNCIL ADOPTION	M.C.I.P. signature and seal

and further, that Approval-in-Principle be granted to the proposed new residential development to be constructed at the application site subject to the following conditions:

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- 1. Approval by Council of the rezoning of the subject property to the Apartment Low Density (A1) Zone and subsequent Provincial registration of the rezoning;
- 2. Submission by the proponent of detailed site plans, siteservicing plans, landscaping plans, and building plans for the proposed residential development;
- 3. Compliance of the application with all requirements of the Departments of Engineering, Public Works and Parks, Building and Property Management and Planning;
- 4. Compliance with all applicable requirements of the St. John=s Development Regulations; and
- 5. Review of the building elevations by the City=s Heritage Officer for the proposed residential development as the subject property is located in Heritage Area 3.

The motion being put was unanimously carried.

Development Committee Report dated January 16, 2007

Council considered the following Development Committee Report dated January 16, 2007:

RECOMMENDATION OF REJECTION:

 Variance of Non-Conformity/Change of Use Application Proposed Furniture and Bedding Showroom and Warehouse Star of the Sea Hall Mr. Gary Hennessey and Mr. Ron Butler Civic No. 40 Henry Street Residential Downtown (RD) Zone - Ward 2

The Development Committee recommends that Council reject the above noted application as sufficient room to accommodate the required truck maneuvers on the site is not available.

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OTHER

 Proposed Ten (10) Storey Seniors= Independent and Assisted Living Building (Adult Living Condominiums)
 50325 Newfoundland and Labrador Ltd.
 Tiffany Lane - Ward 4

The Development Committee recommends that Council approve the <u>attached</u> Terms of Reference for the Land Use Assessment Report for ABuilding B@ of the proposed seniors= development. Council is also requested to determine whether it wishes to proceed with public notification of the application and Land Use Assessment Report, once the report has been received and reviewed by staff. This process would include a newspaper notice, notices mailed to property owners in the area, and posting of the Assessment Report on the City=s website. Alternatively, Council could schedule a public meeting on the application and Land Use Assessment Report. The public meeting would be chaired by a member of Council.

Ron Penney, Acting Chairperson Chief Commissioner/City Solicitor

SJMC2007-01-22/40R

Regarding Item #1, it was decided on motion of Councillor Duff; seconded by Councillor Hickman: That the Committee=s recommendation of rejection of the application as sufficient room to accommodate the required truck manoeuvres on the site is not available, be accepted.

SJMC2007-01-22/41R

Regarding Item #2: It was decided on motion of Councillor Duff; seconded by Councillor Hickman: That the Committee=s recommendation that Council approve the Terms of Reference as presented for the Land Use Assessment Report for ABuilding B@ of the proposed seniors= development, be accepted, and further, agreed that staff be directed to proceed with public notification of the application and Land Use Assessment Report, once the report has been received and reviewed by staff.

Tourism Standing Committee Report dated January 16, 2007

Council considered the following Tourism Standing Committee Report dated January 16, 20007:

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In Attendance: Councillor Sandy Hickman, Chairperson

Deputy Mayor Dennis O=Keefe

Councillor Shannie Duff Councillor Gerry Colbert Councillor Tom Hann Councillor Frank Galgay Councillor Ron Ellsworth

Ron Penney, Chief Commissioner/City Solicitor

Elizabeth Lawrence, Director of Economic Development,

Tourism & Culture

Kevin Gushue, Manager of Tourism Development Deborah Cook, Tourism Development Coordinator Margaret Donovan, Tourism Industry Coordinator

Todd Lehr, Tourism Analyst Kelly Butler, Recording Secretary

Councillor Hickman called the meeting to order.

Delegation - Mr. Roger Flood, President & CEO - Marine Atlantic

The Committee met with Mr. Roger Flood to discuss issues related to the future of Marine Atlantic. Mr. Flood provided the Committee with an overview of the current operations of Marine Atlantic. He advised that the current fleet is comprise of four vessels including a freighter and two purpose-built ships (Caribou and Smallwood). The purpose-built ships are state of the art, but because of their age require ongoing maintenance. The fleet=s newest acquisition is the Erickson, which is smaller than the two purpose-built ships, however, it is one of the only vessels in North America that meets both Canadian and European standards. Mr. Flood also discussed the need to upgrade and/or replace the existing fleet, however, he noted that such a decision would rest with Transport Canada.

A number of other issues were also discussed including the need for improved service quality, a marketing and promotion strategy, and an expanded Argentia service. It was noted that the City=s position on these and other issues was outlined in its submission to the Advisory Committee examining the future of Marine Atlantic. (A copy of this submission forms part of these minutes and is on file with the City Clerk=s Department.) Mr. Flood noted that the public=s perception of Marine Atlantic has been based mainly on unflattering media reports, however, he noted that the company carries out customer satisfaction surveys on a regular basis and its rates have continually been in the 95th percentile. In comparisons with similar companies providing similar services world-wide, Marine Atlantic ranks

highly in most categories such as fee rates, vessel utilization, turn-around times, etc. Regarding the need for a marketing strategy, Mr. Flood agreed that this was a valid point, however, he noted that there are a number of internal issues which must be dealt with before an effective marketing and promotion strategy can be developed and implemented.

Councillor Hickman inquired if Marine Atlantic had any future plans for the construction of a second dock in Port Aux Basques. Mr. Flood responded that this project is included in the company=s corporate plan, however, the plan has yet to receive final approval from Transport Canada. It is hoped that approval will be given this year, but nothing is definite at this point.

(Following the discussion, Mr. Flood retired from the meeting.)

Adoption of Agenda and Minutes

The agenda and November 16th minutes were approved and adopted as presented.

New Year=s Eve Review

The Director of Economic Development, Tourism, and Culture advised that there is a working Committee comprised of staff and other stakeholders which oversees the planning and logistics for the New Year=s Eve event. She indicated that she is currently awaiting feedback from the Committee which is in the process of reviewing a number of issues in relation to this year=s New Year=s Eve festivities. As soon as the working committee submits its report, it will be referred to the Tourism Standing Committee for review and consideration.

Proposed Elimination of the Visitor Tax Rebate Program

The Committee considered as information a briefing note from the Department of Economic Development, Tourism, and Culture regarding the above noted matter. The Federal Government is proposing to amend the Excise Tax Act to eliminate the GST/HST Visitor Rebate Program. It is expected that this will be done in the Government=s next budget.

The Manager of Tourism Development noted that a number of organizations have made representations to the Federal Government opposing this proposal. He indicated that staff will continue to monitor this issue and will advise if any action is required.

National Tourism Strategy

The Committee considered as information a briefing note from the Department of Economic Development, Tourism, and Culture regarding the above noted matter.

It was noted that local tour operators will be adversely impacted by the impending elimination of the GST exemption for tour operators and convention planners, and

this will in turn affect the City=s ability to attract conventions.

Following a brief discussion, the Committee recommended the following:

That Council write the Honourable Maxime Bernier, Federal Minister for Industry (with a copy to the Provincial Minister of Tourism, Recreation and Culture, Tom Hedderson) commending them for National Tourism Strategy Initiative and urging a continuation of the GST exemption for tour operators and convention planners.

Branding/Logos

Councillor Colbert requested a progress report on the issue paper which staff were directed to prepare regarding the above noted matter.

The City Solicitor/Chief Commissioner advised that the review is underway, and staff will submit a report as soon as it is completed.

Amalgamation of Economic Development and Tourism Standing Committees
Councillor Hann inquired whether further consideration had been given to combining
the Economic Development Committee and the Tourism Committee into one single
committee.

It was noted that this issue was discussed at a meeting of the Economic Development Committee in December 2005, and it was agreed at that time that the two committees would remain as separate entities. There are no plans to revisit the issue at this time.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

Councillor Sandy Hickman Chairperson

SJMC2007-01-22/42R

It was moved by Councillor Hickman; seconded by Councillor Hann: That the report be adopted as presented.

The motion being put was unanimously carried.

Development Permits List

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Council considered as information the following Development Permits List for the period of January 12, 2007 to January 18, 2007:

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DEVELOPMENT PERMITS LIST DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 12, 2007 TO JANUARY 18, 2007

Code	Applicant	Application	Location	Ward	Developme nt Officer's Decision	Date
Res.	Mr. David Burry & Ms. Jean Grant	Construction of Single Detached Dwelling	Between Civic No. 30 Carondale Drive & Civic No. 25 Brennan Field	Ward 5	Application Rejected: Contrary to Section 10.3.3(1)(f)	07 01 16
Res.	Mr. Jack White	Proposed In-House Garage & Driveway Access	Civic # 37 Newtown Road (Newtown Road at Howley Avenue Ext.)	Ward 2	Application Rejected: Contrary to Section 8.3.3.(1)(a)	07 01 17

NOTES:

*	Code	Classification:

RES - Residential INST - Institutional COM - Commercial IND - Industrial AG - Agriculture

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.

Ed Murray Development Officer Department of Planning

Building Permits List

SJMC2007-01-22/43R

It was decided on motion of Councillor Duff; seconded by Councillor Ellsworth: That the recommendation of the Director of Building & Property Management with respect to the following Building Permit List be approved:

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Permits List

CLASS: COMMERCIAL

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HILL-ROM CANADA SWISS CHALET SMART SET PENNINGTON'S THYME ADDITIONELLE (COWAN'S OPTICAL) NEWFOUNDLAND LIQUOR COMMISSION PROFESSIONAL APPAREL NEEDS NELLA LTD (J.W. ALLAN CO LTD) NFLD. LIQUOR COMMISSION MARIE'S MINI MART NEEDS CONVENIENCE TRAVEL CUTS LTD. SALON 56 JUMBO VIDEO MARIE'S MINI MART 24/7 SECURITY SERVICES INC. SALVATION ARMY NAT.RECYCLING AUTO SOURCE INC. LOOKING GOOD NEEDS CONVENIENCE NEEDS CONVENIENCE A.I.M.E. PHYSIOTHERAPY INC. NEEDS AIRPORT HEIGHT'S DENTAL NFLD. LIQUOR CORPORATION CITY OF ST. JOHN'S ESSENTIAL CHIROPRATOR PIZZA EXPERTS ACTIVE WOMEN NEEDS CONVENIENCE SIGNAL HOBBIES NEEDS JUMBO VIDEO #46 STAND "N" TAN PLAZA BOWL GRIFFITHS GUITAR WORKS KENTSIRVING, LIMITED FUTURE SHOP DIVE NFLD. NEWFOUNDLAND LIQUOR COMMISSION EARLY ACHIEVERS INC. NORTH ATLANTIC REFINING LTD. NORTH ATLANTIC REFINING LTD. SPARTAN STANLEY'S LEGROWS TRAVEL DOLLARS STORE RAINBOW DAY CARE CENTRE HARVEY'S OIL BURSEY CONTRACTING SOUTHWEST PROPERTIES ATLANTIC ENTERPRISES CROMBIE DEVELOPMENTS LIMITED		
HILL-ROM CANADA 2	8 MEWS PL, HILL-ROM CANADA	CO WAREHOUSE
SWISS CHALET	U ABERDEEN AVE	MS RESTAURANT
SMART SET	79B ABERDEEN AVE	MS RETAIL STORE
PENNINGTON'S	95A ABERDEEN AVE	MS RETAIL STORE
THYME	95B ABERDEEN AVE	MS RETAIL STORE
ADDITIONELLE	95C ABERDEEN AVE	MS RETAIL STORE
(COWAN'S OPTICAL)	31 AIRPORT RD	SN SERVICE SHOP
NEWFOUNDLAND LIOUOR COMMISSION	260 BLACKMARSH RD	MS RETAIL STORE
PROFESSIONAL APPAREL	203 BLACKMARSH RD	MS RETAIL STORE
NEEDS	100 BROOKFIELD RD	MS CONVENTENCE STORE
NELLA LTD (T W ALLAN CO LTD)	94 ELIZABETH AVE	MS RETAIL STORE
NEID ITOHOD COMMISSION	55 FIT7ABETH AME	MG DETATI STODE
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NEEDS CONVENTENCE	174 PDFCUMATED DD	MC CONVENTENCE STORE
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TRAVEL CUTS LTD.	15 COLDSTONE OF	MS OFFICE
SALON 56	15 GOLDSTONE ST	MS SERVICE SHOP
JUMBO VIDEO	12-20 HIGHLAND DR	MS RETAIL STORE
MARIE'S MINI MART	12-20 HIGHLAND DR	MS CONVENIENCE STORE
24/7 SECURITY SERVICES INC.	58 KENMOUNT RD	MS OFFICE
SALVATION ARMY NAT.RECYCLING	49-51 KENMOUNT RD	MS RETAIL STORE
AUTO SOURCE INC.	229 KENMOUNT RD	MS COMMERCIAL GARAGE
LOOKING GOOD	409 KENMOUNT RD	MS RETAIL STORE
NEEDS CONVENIENCE	330 LEMARCHANT RD	MS CONVENIENCE STORE
NEEDS CONVENIENCE	330 LEMARCHANT RD	MS CONVENIENCE STORE
A.I.M.E. PHYSIOTHERAPY INC.	204-206 MAIN RD	MS CLINIC
NEEDS	430-432 MAIN RD	MS CONVENIENCE STORE
AIRPORT HEIGHT'S DENTAL	237 MAJOR'S PATH	SN CLINIC
NFLD. LIQUOR CORPORATION	8 MERRYMEETING RD	MS RETAIL STORE
CITY OF ST. JOHN'S	40 MUNDY POND RD	MS ADMIN BLDG/GOV/NON-PROFIT
ESSENTIAL CHIROPRATOR	119 NEW COVE RD	MS CLINIC
PIZZA EXPERTS	446 NEWFOUNDLAND DR	MS EATING ESTABLISHMENT
ACTIVE WOMEN	446 NEWFOUNDLAND DR	MS CLUB
NEEDS CONVENTENCE	449 NEWFOUNDLAND DR	MS CONVENTENCE STORE
SICNAL HORRIES	36 DENDONN OF	MG DETATI GTODE
NEEDS	36 PEARSON ST	MS CONVENTENCE STORE
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PLAZA BUWL	117 DODEWALK LANE, PLAZA BOWL	SN PLACE OF AMUSEMENT
GRIFFITHS GUITAR WORKS	II / ROPEWALK LANE	MS RETAIL STORE
KENTSIRVING, LIMITED	IU STAVANGER DR	MS RETAIL STORE
FUTURE SHOP	20 STAVANGER DR	MS RETAIL STORE
DIVE NFLD.	386 STAVANGER DR	MS RETAIL STORE
NEWFOUNDLAND LIQUOR COMMISSION	55 STAVANGER DRIVE	MS RETAIL STORE
EARLY ACHIEVERS INC.	397 STAVANGER DR	MS DAY CARE CENTRE
NORTH ATLANTIC REFINING LTD.	446 TOPSAIL RD	MS SERVICE STATION
NORTH ATLANTIC REFINING LTD.	446 TOPSAIL RD	MS SERVICE STATION
SPARTAN	681 TOPSAIL RD	MS RETAIL STORE
STANLEY'S	26-34 TORBAY RD	MS TAVERN
LEGROWS TRAVEL	10 ELIZABETH AVE	MS OFFICE
DOLLARS STORE	TORBAY RD	MS RETAIL STORE
RAINBOW DAY CARE CENTRE	280 TORBAY RD	MS DAY CARE CENTRE
HARVEY'S OIL	714 TORBAY RD	MS PETROLEUM USE
BURSEY CONTRACTING	496 TOPSAIL RD, TEMP TRATIER	NC ACCESSORY BUILDING
SOUTHWEST PROPERTIES	215 WATER ST. LEVEL 5 OPENING	RN OFFICE
ATLANTIC ENTERPRISES	THE VILLAGE-430 TOPSATE RD	RN SHOPPING CENTRE
CROMBIE DEVELOPMENTS LIMITED	30 KENMOUNT RD	RN RETAIL STORE
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		THIS WEEK \$ 862,550.00
		TO DATE \$ 1,015,800.00
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CLASS: INDUSTRIAL

THIS WEEK \$.00 TO DATE \$ 300,000.00

CLASS: GOVERNMENT/INSTITUTIONAL

RCMP "B" DIVISION HEADQUARTERS 100 EAST WHITE HILLS RD RN ADMIN BLDG/GOV/NON-PROFIT FED GOVT (SIR HUMPH. GILBERT) 175-177 DUCKWORTH ST,3RD FLR RN ADMIN BLDG/GOV/NON-PROFIT

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THIS WEEK \$ 50,000.00 TO DATE \$ 407,500.00

CLASS: RESIDENTIAL

	605	
ROGER PENDER	695 EMPIRE AVE	NC ACCESSORY BUILDING
NELL HAYE	40 HOPEDALE CRES, LOT 200	NC SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING
GARY COLE	20 ST. LAURENT ST	NC ACCESSORY BUILDING
DR. DAMODAR VAZE	695 EMPIRE AVE 40 HOPEDALE CRES, LOT 200 20 ST. LAURENT ST 10 SACKVILLE ST	NC PATIO DECK
GARY J. WHITE	28 GOLF AVE	CR SUBSIDIARY APARTMENT
KING GEORGE V PROPERTIES INC.	28 GOLF AVE 93 WATER ST-UNIT 101	CR CONDOMINIUM
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KING GEORGE V PROPERTIES INC.	93 WATER ST-UNIT 103	CR CONDOMINIUM
KING GEORGE V PROPERTIES INC.	93 WATER ST-UNIT 104	CR CONDOMINIUM
	93 WATER ST-UNIT 201	
KING GEORGE V PROPERTIES INC.	93 WATER ST-UNIT 202	CR CONDOMINIUM
KING GEORGE V PROPERTIES INC.	93 WATER ST-UNIT 203	CR CONDOMINIUM
	93 WATER ST-UNIT 204	
KING GEORGE V PROPERTIES INC.	93 WATER ST-UNIT 301	CR CONDOMINIUM
KING GEORGE V PROPERTIES INC.	93 WATER ST-UNIT 302	CR CONDOMINIUM
	93 WATER ST-UNIT 303	
KING GEORGE V PROPERTIES INC.	93 WATER ST. UNIT 401	CR CONDOMINIUM
KING GEORGE V PROPERTIES INC.	93 WATER ST-UNIT 402	CR CONDOMINIUM
GARY J. WHITE	28 GOLF AVE	EX SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING
BILL WHITE	74 GOWER ST	RN SINGLE DETACHED & SUB.APT
ARVIND ACRAKYA	9 POLINA RD	RN SINGLE DETACHED & SUB.APT
COREY & NANCY WELLS	43 SEABORN ST	RN SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING
ERCO HOMES	28 GOLF AVE 74 GOWER ST 9 POLINA RD 43 SEABORN ST 9 VEITCH CRES	RN SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING
		THIS WEEK \$ 468,500.00
		TO DATE \$ 2,073,266.00
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CLASS: DEMOLITION

THIS WEEK \$.00 TO DATE \$ 75,256.00

THIS WEEK''S TOTAL: \$ 1,381,050.00

TOTAL YEAR TO DATE: \$ 3,871,822.00

REPAIR PERMITS ISSUED: 2007/01/11 TO 2007/01/17 \$ 5,800.00 2006/12/28 TO 2007/01/17 \$ 31,750.00 YTD

LEGEND

CO CHANGE OF OCCUPANCY
RN RENOVATIONS
MS MOBILE SIGN
SN SIGN
NC NEW CONSTRUCTION EX EXTENSION
CR CHNG OF OCC/RENOVTNS
SW SITE WORK
DM DEMOLITION

Payrolls and Accounts

SJMC2007-01-22/44R

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It was decided on motion of Councillor Duff; seconded by Councillor Ellsworth: That the following Payrolls and Accounts for the week ending January 18, 2007 be approved:

Weekly Payment Vouchers For The Week Ending January 18, 2007

PAYROLL

Public Works \$ 345,808.11 Bi-Weekly Casual \$ 8,975.25

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Cheque No. 111332 - 111626 \$ 4,308,284.21 (Includes Direct Deposits/Transfers/Eqp. Leasing)

Total:

Letter dated January 16, 2007 to Deputy Mayor O=Keefe from Mr. Daniel G. Pottle re letter of thanks to the City on behalf of the Nunatsiavut Government for <u>providing the Nippik Inuit Drummers a place to practice and store their</u> equipment

Council considered the above noted letter.

Martin=s Meadow, Estate of George Tessier

Council considered a memorandum dated January 12, 2007 from the Chief Commissioner/City Solicitor regarding the above noted.

SJMC2007-01-22/45R

It was moved by Councillor Ellsworth; seconded by Councillor Coombs: That the recommendation of the Chief Commissioner/City Solicitor that the Estate of George Tessier be compensated in the amount of \$967.50 with respect to the Martin=s Meadow interests, be approved.

The motion being put was unanimously carried.

Bulk Garbage & Recyclable Metals Collection Contracts

Council considered a memorandum dated January 11, 2007 from the Director of Director of Public Works & Parks regarding the above noted.

SJMC2007-01-22/46R

It was moved by Councillor Ellsworth; seconded by Councillor Coombs: That the recommendation of the Director of Public Works & Parks that the contracts for Bulk Garbage & Recyclable Metals Collection with Newfound Disposal be extended for a one year period in accordance with the terms of the existing contracts, be approved.

The motion being put was unanimously carried.

Letter dated January 7, 2007 to His Worship the Mayor from R.G. Parsons, Brigadier-General, extending thanks for the support extended to members of the <u>Task Force Afghanistan Roto 3</u>

Council considered the above noted letter.

Travel by Deputy Mayor O=Keefe

Council considered a memorandum dated January 22, 2007 from the Manager, Corporate Secretariat regarding travel by Deputy Mayor O=Keefe.

SJMC2007-01-22/47R

It was decided on motion of Councillor Colbert; seconded by Councillor Coombs: That travel by Deputy Mayor O=Keefe as part of a Cruise St. John=s Marketing Initiative seeing the City of St. John=s and the St. John=s Port Authority partner in making a series of sales calls to targeted cruise lines in Miami, Fort Lauderdale, Los Angeles and Seattle, February 19 - 23, 2007, be approved.

11 Pennywell Road, City Land

Council considered a memorandum dated January 22, 2007 from the Chief Commissioner/City Solicitor regarding the above noted.

SJMC2007-01-22/48R

It was moved by Councillor Coombs; seconded by Councillor Hann: That the recommendation of the Chief Commissioner/City Solicitor that approval be granted to proceed with the sale of City land at 11 Pennywell Road based on an agreement reached with the property owner at 13 Pennywell Road, be approved.

The motion being put was unanimously carried.

Councillor Galgay

Councillor Galgay advised that he recently attended the graduating ceremonies for the Life Skills Program sponsored by the Boys and Girls Clubs (Buckmaster=s Circle), and tabled a Certificate of Appreciation which was presented to the City of St. John=s during the ceremony, for its support of the Boys and Girls Club.

Councillor Collins

Councillor Collins offered condolences to Councillor Puddister and his family on the recent passing of his mother.

Adjournment

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

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