

May 7, 2007

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 Colbert, Hickman, Hann, Puddister, Galgay, Coombs, Ellsworth, and Collins.

Regrets: Councillor Duff.

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

Call to Order and Adoption of the Agenda

SJMC2007-05-07/230R

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

- a. Memorandum dated May 4, 2007, from the Director of Finance re: RFP for Benefits and Pension Consultants**
- b. Memorandum dated May 4, 2007, from the Director of Planning re: Application for Renovations, Building 106 East Drive, Pleasantville**
- c. Councillor Galgay's Report on the 2007 Offshore Technology Conference and Working Meeting of the World Energy Cities Partnership in Houston, Texas -April 30-May 3, 2007**

Adoption of Minutes

SJMC2007-05-07/231R

It was decided on motion of Councillor Ellsworth; seconded by Councillor Hann: That the minutes of the April 30, 2007, meeting be adopted as presented.

Notices Published

1. **A Discretionary Use Application** has been submitted by Puglisevich Group of Companies requesting permission to establish and operate a Commercial School from the first floor of their building at **Civic No. 611 Torbay Road**. The proposed teaching area will comprise a floor area of 47 m⁵ (504 ft⁵, plus practical skills area of 71 m⁵ (768 ft⁵). Student parking for the proposed use will be provided on-site. **(Ward 1)**.

SJMC2007-05-07/232R

It was decided on motion of Councillor Puddister; seconded by Councillor Galgay: That the application be approved.

2. **A Discretionary Use Application** has been submitted by Gerald Pinsent requesting permission to develop **Civic No. 10 Gilbert Street** into a two (2) unit Infill Housing Dwelling. The additional apartment unit will be located in the basement of the dwelling and will have a floor area of 78 m⁵. There is no off-street parking for the subject property. **(Ward 2)**

SJMC2007-05-07/233R

It was decided on motion of Councillor Puddister; seconded by Councillor Galgay: That the application be approved.

Development Committee Report - May 1, 2007

Council considered the following Development Committee Report dated May 1, 2007:

RECOMMENDATION OF APPROVAL:

1. **Kenny's Pond Retirement Centre
Proposed Six (6) Storey Retirement Residents'
(Former Central Park Lodge site)
Sheppard Case Architects Inc.
Macdonald Drive (Ward 4)**

The Development Committee recommends that the revised building rendering and building elevations along with the approved site/site servicing plan and approved landscape plan be considered in the LUAR and that a standard Development Agreement be prepared for execution by the Developer and the City.

**Ron Penney, Acting Chairperson
Chief Commissioner/City Solicitor**

Councillor Ellsworth noted the revised building plans include lower elevations than what was submitted in the original application, and there should be no major impact on area residents.

SJMC2007-05-07/234R

It was decided on motion of Councillor Hann; seconded by Councillor Ellsworth: That the Committee's recommendation that the revised building rendering and building elevations along with the approved site/site servicing plan and approved landscape plan be considered in the LUAR and that a standard Development Agreement be prepared for execution by the Developer and the City be accepted.

Planning and Housing Committee Report - April 26, 2007

Council considered the following Planning and Housing Committee Report dated April 26, 2007:

In Attendance:

- Councillor Frank Galgay, Acting Chairperson
- Councillor Sandy Hickman
- Councillor Tom Hann
- Councillor Art Puddister
- Councillor Ron Ellsworth
- Councillor Wally Collins
- Mr. Ron Penney, Chief Commissioner/City Solicitor
- Mr. Art Cheeseman, Associate Commissioner/Director of Engineering
- Mr. Cliff Johnston, Director of Planning
- Mr. Dave Blackmore, Director of Building & Property Management
- Mr. Jim Clarke, Acting Director of Public Works & Parks
- Mr. Walt Mills, Development Engineer
- Mr. Robin King, Transportation Engineer
- Mr. Joe Sampson, Manager of Development
- Mr. Ken O'Brien, Manager of Planning & Information
- Ms. Debbie Reid, Internal Auditor
- Ms. Kelly Butler, Recording Secretary

1. Delegation - Proposed Residential Development – Heavy Tree Road (Ward 5)

The Committee met with Mr. Gerry Coughlan and Mr. Bill Doyle regarding the above noted matter.

The Committee recommends that Council rescind its motion of March 5, 2007, to defer consideration of the rezoning application pending completion of the St.

John's Agricultural Development Area Boundary Review by the Provincial Government.

If this recommendation is accepted by Council, staff will then proceed to do a technical review of the rezoning application and prepare a report and recommendation on the application for the consideration of the Planning and Housing Committee.

****The appropriate Notice of Motion is attached****

2. Delegation – Mr. Gerald Power re: Proposed Rezoning of Property – Cuckhold's Cove Road (Ward 2)

The Committee met with Mr. Gerald Power to discuss his revised rezoning application for his property on Ballast Road, with access off Cuckhold's Cove Road. The Committee also considered the attached memorandum dated April 20, 2007, from the Director of Planning and the Manager of Planning and Information regarding Mr. Power's application.

The Committee recommends that the rezoning application be rejected.

*****PLEASE SEE CORRESPONDENCE SUBMITTED BY MR. POWER SUBSEQUENT TO THE APRIL 26TH MEETING, FOR COUNCIL'S CONSIDERATION*****

3. Civic No. 2-4 Symes Bridge (Ward 5) – City Owned Property

The Committee considered the attached memorandum dated April 24, 2007, from the Director of Engineering regarding the above noted matter.

The Committee directed staff to schedule a public meeting to be chaired by a member of Council to consider rezoning of the City owned property at 2-4 Symes Bridge from the Commercial Local (CL) Zone to the Open Space (O) Zone. The tentative date for the public meeting is Tuesday, May 29, 2007.

4. Proposed Text Amendment – St. John's Development Regulations – Definition of Heritage Use

The Committee considered the attached memorandum dated April 23, 2007, from the Director of Planning regarding the above noted matter.

The Committee directed staff to advertise the proposed text amendment for public review and comment. Upon completion of this process, the amendment will be referred to a future Regular Meeting of Council for consideration of adoption.

5. Application for Light Industrial Use – J.M.J. Holdings Limited – Building 106 East Drive, Pleasantville (Ward 1)

The Committee considered the **attached** memorandum dated April 16, 2007, from the Manager of Development regarding the above noted matter.

The Committee recommends that the application be rejected.

6. Proposed Rezoning of Property – Stavanger Drive (Ward 1) – Cabot Development Corporation Limited

The Committee considered the **attached** memorandum dated April 26, 2007, from the Director of Planning and the Manager of Planning and Information regarding the above noted matter.

Staff advised the Committee that the Department of Public Works and Parks, in conjunction with the Department of Engineering and the Department of Planning, will prepare design criteria which will assist in determining the number of reduced building lots which could be considered along a street in a new subdivision in order to address City snow clearing/snow removal operational issues. Such criteria could then be included in the City's Subdivision Design Manual.

The Committee agreed that upon completion of further technical review of the rezoning application by staff and further consultation with the applicant on the number and location of reduced building lots that could be considered for this new residential development, that the application be advertised for public review and comment. Upon completion of this process, the application will be referred to a future Regular Meeting of Council for consideration of approval.

7. Proposed Rezoning of Property – Former Sprung Greenhouse Site, Brookfield Road (Ward 5) – NLHC and Leary's Brook Holdings Limited

The Committee considered the **attached** memorandum dated April 23, 2007, from the Director of Planning and the Manager of Planning and Information regarding the above noted matter.

Staff advised the Committee that the Department of Public Works and Parks, in conjunction with the Department of Engineering and the Department of Planning, will prepare design criteria which will assist in determining the number of reduced building lots which could be considered along a street in a new subdivision in order to address City snow clearing/snow removal operational issues. Such criteria could then be included in the City's Subdivision Design Manual.

The Committee agreed that upon completion of further technical review of the application by staff and further consultation with the applicant on the number and location of reduced building lots that could be considered for this new

residential development, that the application be referred to a public meeting to be chaired by a member of Council.

8. Proposed Rezoning of Property to Accommodate a Seniors Apartment Building – Civic No. 421-425 Main Road (Ward 5) – Mr. Cyril Martin

The Committee considered the attached memorandum dated April 23, 2007, from the Director of Planning and the Manager of Planning and Information regarding the above noted matter.

The Committee directed staff to advertise the rezoning application for public review and comment. Upon completion of the process, the application will be referred to a public meeting to be chaired by a member of Council.

9. Kilbride Concept Plan

The Committee considered the attached memorandum dated April 26, 2007, from the Director of Planning regarding the above noted matter.

The Committee recommends that the Kilbride Concept Plan be adopted and finalized by Council with one future access to Block 2 (which is located on the south side of Bay Bulls Road between Griffin's Lane and Connolly's Lane) for future development of the area to be via Connolly's Lane, and the other required access to be via Griffin's Lane or directly to Bay Bulls Road.

In addition, the Committee agreed to direct staff to schedule a public meeting to be chaired by a member of Council to discuss the proposed rezoning of Blocks 2 and 3 identified in the concept plan from the Comprehensive Development Area (CDA) to the Residential Low Density (R1) Zone and the Open Space (O) Zone. Once the date of the public meeting has been determined, this information will be forwarded to Council.

**Councillor Frank Galgay
Acting Chairperson**

SJMC2007-05-07/235R

It was decided on motion of Councillor Hann; seconded by Councillor Ellsworth: That the recommendations of the Committee be accepted, with the exception of Item #5 which was deferred at the request of the applicant.

With respect to Recommendation #1, Councillor Galgay gave the following Notice of Motion:

TAKE NOTICE that I will at the next regular meeting of Council move a motion that Council rescind its decision of March 5, 2007 to defer processing of an

application submitted by Triple D Holdings Limited to rezone property off Heavy Tree Road to permit a residential development, pending a review by the Provincial Government of the current boundaries of the St. John's Agricultural Development Area.

Regarding Item #9, Councillor Collins advised that the City will be holding a public meeting to discuss possible zoning designations for Blocks 2 and 3 of the concept plan. The date of the public meeting will be advertised for the information of area residents.

Development Permits List

Council considered as information the following Development Permits List for the period of April 27, 2007 to May 3, 2007:

Code	Applicant	Application	Location	Ward	Development Officer's Decision	Date
Ind.	Bell Aliant	Proposed OPI Site	Casey Street	Ward 2	Application Approved	07 04 30
Ind.	Bell Aliant	Proposed OPI Site	Mundy Pond Road @ Mews Centre	Ward 3	Application Approved	07 04 30
Ind.	Bell Aliant	Proposed OPI Site	Higgins Line @ Howley Building	Ward 4	Application Approved	07 04 30
Ind.	Bell Aliant	Proposed OPI Site	Sudbury Street	Ward 2	Application Approved	07 04 30
Com.	Ms. Tania Fraize	Family Home Child Care Service	Civic No. 34 Cottonwood Crescent	Ward 5	Application Approved	07 04 30
Ag.	Mr. Scott O'Connell	Indoor Horse Riding Arena	Equine Meadows Civic No. 29 Heavy Tree Road	Ward 5	Application Rejected: Contrary to Section 7.15.2(b)	07 05 01
Res.	Ms. Laura O'Shea	Proposed Site Improvements: Installation of Driveway	Civic No. 95 Waterford Bridge Road	Ward 3	Application Approved	07 05 01
Com.	S.E.A. Contracting Limited	Proposed Entrance Canopy: Paramount Building	Civic No. 34 Harvey Road	Ward 2	Application Approved	07 05 01
Com.	Picture Perfect Pet Parlour	Proposed Dog Boarding Kennel	Civic No. 196 Thorburn Road	Ward 4	Application Rejected: Contrary to Section 10.41.1	07 05 02

NOTES:

*	Code Classification:			
	RES	- Residential	INST	-
	COM	- Institutional		
		- Commercial	IND	-
	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

SJMC2007-05-07/236R

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

2007/05/02

Permits List

CLASS: COMMERCIAL

L.A. WEIGHT LOSS	30 KENMOUNT RD - L.A.WEIGHT	SN CLUB
ROGERS BUSSEY LAWYERS	102-104 LEMARCHANT RD	SN OFFICE
E. B. GAMES	THE VILLAGE-430 TOPSAIL RD	SN RETAIL STORE
TED DOYLE	204 DUCKWORTH ST	RN SERVICE SHOP
MARCO SERVICES	100 CROSBIE RD	NC ACCESSORY BUILDING
BELL ALIANT	FACTORY LANE - 5TH FLOOR	RN OFFICE
MR. BRIAN YOUNG	12 CUCKHOLD'S COVE RD EAST	RN WAREHOUSE
PAR HOLDINGS LIMITED	120 LEMARCHANT RD	RN OFFICE
FORTIS PROPERTIES CORPORATION	136-140 WATER ST, RESTAURANT	CR RESTAURANT
MANNA BAKERY LIMITED	342 FRESHWATER RD	EX BAKERY
FACILITIES DESIGN GROUP INC.	279 PORTUGAL COVE RD	CR RETAIL STORE
CATHERINE P. BROOKS	562 WATER ST.	RN MIXED USE
ALIANT	BONAVENTURE AVE, OPI	NC COMMUNICATIONS USE
ALIANT	CONWALL AVE, OPI	NC COMMUNICATIONS USE
ALIANT	KENMOUNT RD, OPI	NC COMMUNICATIONS USE
BREEN'S ENTERPRISES LTD.	326 LOGY BAY RD	CR CONVENIENCE STORE
STARBUCKS COFFEE	215 WATER ST, STARBUCKS	CR RESTAURANT
RCMP	100 EAST WHITE HILLS RD	CR ADMIN BLDG/GOV/NON-
PROFIT		
SIGNAL HILL DEVELOPMENT	22 ST. JOSEPH'S LANE	EX CONDOMINIUM
PERENNIAL MANAGEMENT	40 ABERDEEN AVE -SUITE 201/202	TI OFFICE
ACTION FIBERGLASS &	615 KENMOUNT ROAD	NC SERVICE STATION

THIS WEEK \$ 1,769,400.00
TO DATE \$ 17,903,790.00

CLASS: INDUSTRIAL

THIS WEEK \$.00
TO DATE \$ 1,524,967.00

CLASS: GOVERNMENT/INSTITUTIONAL

GRAND CONCOURSE AUTHORITY WATER ST, THOMAS RICKETTS' MEM NC ADMIN BLDG/GOV/NON-
PROFIT
PUBLIC WORKS & GOVERNMENT 80 EAST WHITE HILLS RD PUB WK RN ADMIN BLDG/GOV/NON-
PROFIT

THIS WEEK \$ 3,222,122.00
TO DATE \$ 7,742,622.00

CLASS: RESIDENTIAL

STEVE KING 15 ASHBOURNE DR, LOT 39 NC SINGLE DETACHED
DWELLING
ROBERT HISCOCK BACK LINE - LOT 6 NC SINGLE DETACHED
DWELLING
RAYSUE BRUSHETT 15 BRAD GUSHUE CRES, LOT 5-43 NC SINGLE DETACHED
DWELLING
TRABON CONSTRUCTION 43 BRAD GUSHUE CRES - LOT 5-57 NC SINGLE DETACHED
DWELLING
CAROLYN DOBBIN 10 CASSINO PL NC ACCESSORY BUILDING
GERARD & SHEILA MAHER 45 COWAN AVE NC ACCESSORY BUILDING
PATRICK WILSON 112 DOOLING'S LINE NC ACCESSORY BUILDING
ALIANNT EXETER AVE - ALIANNT NC ACCESSORY BUILDING
MICHAEL OWENS 54 GOODRIDGE ST NC ACCESSORY BUILDING
BRAD DYKE 246 GREEN ACRE DR NC FENCE
VID BISHOP 18 GULLAGE ST NC ACCESSORY BUILDING
COREY STRICKLAND 20 GULLAGE ST NC ACCESSORY BUILDING
LEROY LILLY 93 GUZZWELL DR NC FENCE
BRIAN E HUNT 37 HOPEDALE CRES-LOT 165 NC SINGLE DETACHED
DWELLING
KEVIN/DORIS & RAYMOND CONNOLLY 99 HOWLETT'S LINE NC FENCE
WARREN EDWARD BRODERICK 17 IRISH LOOP ST NC FENCE
GIBRALTAR DEVELOPMENT 35 JULIEANN PL, LOT 115 NC SINGLE DETACHED
DWELLING
RODNEY MAURICE 64 JORDAN PL NC SINGLE DETACHED
DWELLING
GARY & BONNIE HUDSON 11 LAMBERT PL NC SINGLE DETACHED
DWELLING
ADRIAN & CAROLYN GRAHAM 51 LOGY BAY RD NC PATIO DECK
PRO TECH CONSTRUCTION LTD 41 MACBETH DR, LOT 6-15 NC SINGLE DETACHED
DWELLING
CARDINAL HOMES LIMITED 2 MACLAREN PL, LOT 105 NC SEMI-DETACHED DWELLING
CARDINAL HOMES LIMITED 3 MACLAREN PL, LOT 106 NC SEMI-DETACHED DWELLING
CARDINAL HOMES LTD. 16 MACLAREN PL, LOT 28 NC SEMI-DETACHED DWELLING
CARDINAL HOMES LTD. 17 MACLAREN PL, LOT 27 NC SEMI-DETACHED DWELLING
TERRY & ROXANNE HURLEY 44 MAIN RD NC FENCE
SAMUEL/MARGARET/NICOLE GOSSE 160 MUNDY POND RD NC ACCESSORY BUILDING
CHAD CUMMINGS 20 NEWHOOK PL NC ACCESSORY BUILDING
CHRISTINE O'GRADY 232 OLD BAY BULLS RD, O'GRADY NC ACCESSORY BUILDING
ROBERT & S. SQUIRES 7 O'REGAN PL NC ACCESSORY BUILDING
TERRY WALSH CONTRACTING 5 OTTER DR, LOT 100 NC SINGLE DETACHED
DWELLING
WAYNE SPURRELL 49 PALM DR, LOT 169 NC SINGLE DETACHED
DWELLING
ALIANNT POPLAR AVE -ALIANNT NC ACCESSORY BUILDING
RODNEY & SANDRA LEWIS 17 RUSS HOWARD ST, LOT 109 NC SINGLE DETACHED
DWELLING
PRO-TECH CONSTRUCTION LTD. 2 SHORTALL ST, LOT 24 NC SINGLE DETACHED

DWELLING	PRO-TECH CONSTRUCTION LTD.	6 SHORTALL ST, LOT 26	NC SINGLE DETACHED
DWELLING	RAYMOND & DEBORAH HISCOCK	26 TORNGAT CRES	NC ACCESSORY BUILDING
	PAUL ROSSITER	8 WADLAND TERRACE	NC ACCESSORY BUILDING
	KENNETH J. NORMAN	11 WARFORD RD	NC SINGLE DETACHED &
SUB.APT	PAUL & BEVERLEY SEARS	112 BONAVENTURE AVE	CO HOME OFFICE
	LLOYDETTA QUAICOE	6 SLADE PL	CO HOME OCCUPATION
	TODD PARSONS	54 BURRY PORT ST	CR SUBSIDIARY APARTMENT
	SUSAN J. MORGAN & J. GAYLE	2 GREGG PL	CR SUBSIDIARY APARTMENT
	JOHN & SHEENA LEONARD	28 CARPASIAN RD	EX SINGLE DETACHED
DWELLING	ELIZABETH KING ANDRIEUX	3 EXETER AVE	EX SINGLE DETACHED
DWELLING	ADRIAN & CAROLYN GRAHAM	51 LOGY BAY RD	EX PATIO DECK
	JOSEPH S. COLBERT	695A MAIN RD	EX SINGLE DETACHED
DWELLING	DONOVAN HOMES LTD.	120 EDISON PL	RN SEMI-DETACHED DWELLING
	DAVID BARRON	8 GOWER ST	RN SEMI-DETACHED DWELLING
	SCOTT GRANVILLE	62A NEWTOWN RD	RN TOWNHOUSING
	TRUMAN & ELIZABETH COLLINS	22 ST. LAURENT ST	RN SINGLE DETACHED &
SUB.APT	CHRISTOPHER A. FITZGERALD	2 WALSH'S SQ	RN SEMI-DETACHED DWELLING
	BONNIE PARSONS	801 WATER ST	RN MIXED USE
	BERT HICKMAN	67 HUNTINGDALE DR	SW VACANT LAND
	RETCARE PROPERTIES INC.	135 MACDONALD DR	SN APARTMENT BUILDING
			THIS WEEK \$ 3,222,040.00
			TO DATE \$ 20,407,138.00

CLASS: DEMOLITION

DWELLING	DAVID DRUKEN	86 LINEGAR AVE	DM SINGLE DETACHED
DWELLING	TRIPLE A EXCAVATING	120 NEW PENNYWELL RD	DM SINGLE DETACHED
DWELLING	PATRICK JOHN KENNY	24 SKANES AVE	DM SINGLE DETACHED
DWELLING			
			THIS WEEK \$ 12,100.00
			TO DATE \$ 168,856.00

THIS WEEK'S TOTAL: \$ 8,225,662.00

TOTAL YEAR TO DATE: \$ 47,747,373.00

REPAIR PERMITS ISSUED: 2007/04/26 TO 2007/05/02 \$ 105,900.00
 2006/12/28 TO 2007/05/02 \$ 541,730.00 YTD

LEGEND

CO CHANGE OF OCCUPANCY	EX EXTENSION
NC NEW CONSTRUCTION	TI TENANT IMPROVEMENTS
RN RENOVATIONS	SW SITE WORK
SN SIGN	CD CHIMNEY DEMOLITION
MS MOBILE SIGN	WS WOODSTOVE
CR CHNG OF OCC/RENOVTNS	DM DEMOLITIO

Payrolls and Accounts**SJMC2007-05-07/237R**

It was decided on motion of Deputy Mayor O'Keefe; seconded by Councillor Colbert: That the following Payrolls and Accounts for the week ending May 3, 2007, be approved:

**Weekly Payment Vouchers
For The
Week Ending May 3, 2007**

PAYROLL

Public Works	\$ 271,090.19
Amalgamation	\$ 507,092.96
Bi-Weekly Administration	\$ 484,383.21
Bi-Weekly Management	\$ 476,702.57

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Cheque No. 115753 – 116037 (Includes Direct Deposits/Transfers/Equip. Leasing)	\$1,696,038.71
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Total: \$3,435,307.64

Tenders

- a. Request for Proposals - Fire Alerting System
- b. Tender - Supply of Hydrated Lime (Bulk)
- c. Tender - Supply of Chlorine Gas (Bulk)
- d. Request for Proposals - Benefits and Pension Consultants

SJMC2007-05-07/238R

It was decided on motion of Councillor Colbert; seconded by Deputy Mayor O'Keefe: That the recommendations of the Director of Finance and City Treasurer be approved and the tenders awarded as follows:

- a. **RFP awarded to the low bidder, Aliant, in the amount of \$150,833.95 (HST included) total over 5 years;**
- b. **East Chem Inc. in the amount of \$98,775.00 (HST extra);**
- c. **East Chem Inc. in the amount of \$199,660.00 (HST extra);**

- d. **RFP awarded to Johnson Inc. to provide all the services contemplated in the RFP for a period of five years, commencing June 1, 2007.**

Notice of Motion - St. John's Electrical By-Law

Councillor Ellsworth gave the following Notice of Motion:

TAKE NOTICE that I will at the next regular meeting of Council move to enact an amendment to the St. John's Electrical By-Law so it contains the provision that contractors must call for inspections and must obtain final certificates.

Proposed Traffic Enforcement Unit

Council considered a memorandum dated May 3, 2007, from Councillor Art Puddister regarding the above noted matter.

Councillor Puddister advised that Council has agreed to revisit this matter in the near future.

Proposed Road Closure - New Gower Street to Springdale Street - Saturday, May 12, 2007

Council considered a memorandum dated May 3, 2007, from the Associate Commissioner/ Director of Engineering regarding the above noted matter.

SJMC2007-05-07/239R

It was decided on motion of Councillor Galgay; seconded by Councillor Hickman: That Council approve the closure of the westbound lanes of New Gower Street between Queen Street and Springdale Street on Saturday, May 12, 2007 (alternate date Sunday, May 13, 2007) between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

Household Hazardous Waste Days 2007

Council considered as information a memorandum dated May 2, 2007, from the Director of Public Works and Parks regarding the above noted matter.

Request for Waiver of Fees - Salvation Army Cemetery Extension - Blackmarsh Road/Pearce Avenue

Council considered a memorandum dated May 3, 2007, from the Director of Planning regarding the above noted matter.

SJMC2007-05-07/240R

It was decided on motion of Councillor Puddister; seconded by Councillor Galgay: That Council waive all applicable application fees, subdivision fees, and development fees pertaining to the proposed rezoning and extension of the Salvation Army Cemetery on Blackmarsh Road/Pearce Avenue.

Economic Update - May 2007

Council considered as information the Economic Update for May 2007 from the Department of Economic Development, Tourism, and Culture.

Report on the 2007 Offshore Technology Conference and Working Meeting of the World Energy Cities Partnership in Houston, Texas -April 30-May 3, 2007

Councillor Galgay tabled the above noted report for Council's information.

Deputy Mayor O'Keefe

Deputy Mayor O'Keefe referenced the issue of panhandlers on the median at the intersection of Columbus Drive and Thorburn Road, noting that they are obstructing traffic and are posing a safety hazard to motorists when they approach vehicles to solicit for money.

The Chief Commissioner/City Solicitor indicated that he would refer the matter to the RNC for follow up.

Councillor Hickman

Councillor Hickman advised that the deadline for Expressions of Interest for the City's Muralist Program is May 22nd.

Councillor Hickman referenced a conversation he had with a local tour operator regarding the unsightly condition of George Street. He noted that while the street has not yet been scheduled for summer clean up, visitors and tourist still frequent the area. He asked that the area be cleaned up, in particular, Prince Edward Plaza and the stage area which has been damaged by snow clearing operations.

The matter was referred to the Director of Engineering and the Director of Public Works for appropriate action.

Councillor Galgay

Councillor Galgay advised that Wednesday, May 16th is Municipal Awareness Day, and the Newfoundland and Labrador Federation of Municipalities will be asking all municipalities to sign a proclamation in this regard.

Councillor Collins

Councillor Collins referenced Item #8 of the Planning Committee report, noting that the application is to rezone land at 421-425 Main Road from the Residential Low Density (R1) Zone to the Apartment Low Density (A1) Zone to accommodate a residential development of a two storey, 21 unit apartment building. The application will be referred to a public meeting.

Councillor Collins advised that a meeting of the Southbrook Residents Committee will be held on Tuesday, May 8th at 7:00 p.m. in Conference Room A, City Hall.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

MAYOR

CITY CLERK