November 7th, 2011

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

His Worship the Mayor presided.

There were present also: Deputy Mayor Duff; Councillors O'Leary, Hickman, Colbert, Breen, Galgay, Tilley and Hanlon.

Regrets: Councillors Collins and Hann.

City Manager; Deputy City Manager/Director of Public Works & Parks; Director of Planning, Acting Director of Engineering; City Solicitor, Acting City Clerk and Recording Secretary were also in attendance.

Call to Order and Adoption of the Agenda

SJMC2011-11-07-/554R

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

a. Request by Councillor Hanlon to attend Conference November 15th, 2011 at the Sheraton Newfoundland Hotel Junior Achievement of NL and St. John's Board of Trade Presentation by Rebecca Ryan (Entrepreneur of the Year by the US Assoc. for Small Business and Entrepreneurship)

Adoption of Minutes

SJMC2011-11-07/555R

It was decided on motion of Councillor Tilley; seconded by Councillor Breen: That the minutes of the October 31st, 2011 meeting be adopted as presented.



Business Arising

Application to Rezone Property, Civic Number 402 Back Line (Ward 5) Applicant: Daniel Pike

Under business arising, Council considered a memorandum dated November 3, 2011 from the Director of Planning regarding the above noted.

SJMC2011-11-07/556R

It was moved by Councillor Hickman; seconded by Councillor Breen: That the Resolutions for St. John's Municipal Plan Amendment Number 99, 2011 and St. John's Development Regulations Amendment Number 523, 2011 be adopted as presented; and further, that Mr. Glenn Barnes, a member of the City's commissioner list, be appointed as the commissioner to conduct a public hearing on the amendments, the proposed date for the hearing being Tuesday, November 29, 2011.

RESOLUTION ST. JOHN'S MUNICIPAL PLAN AMENDMENT NUMBER 99, 2011

WHEREAS the City of St. John's wishes to allow the subdivision of property on Back Line for serviced residential building lots.

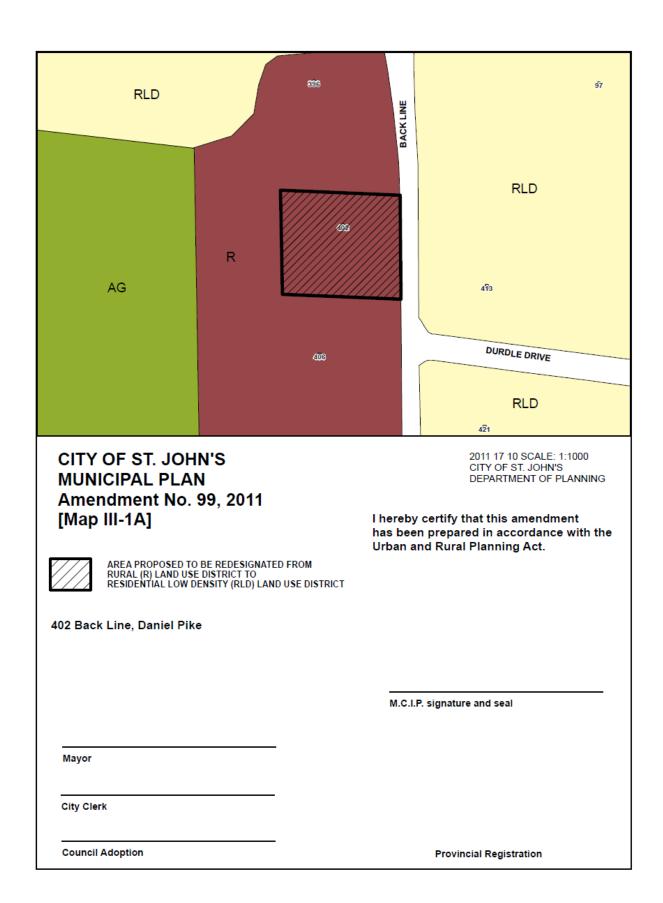
BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the City of St. John's hereby adopts the following map amendment to the St. John's Municipal Plan pursuant to the provisions of the Urban and Rural Planning Act:

Redesignate land at Civic Number 402 Back Line from the Rural Land Use District to the Residential Low Density Land Use District as shown on Map III-1A attached.

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

IN WITNESS THEREOF the Seal of the City of St. John's has been hereunto affixed and this Resolution has been signed by the Mayor and the City Clerk on behalf of Council this 7th day of November, 2011.

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



RESOLUTION ST. JOHN'S DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS AMENDMENT NUMBER 523, 2011

WHEREAS the City of St. John's wishes to allow the subdivision of property on Back Line for serviced residential building lots.

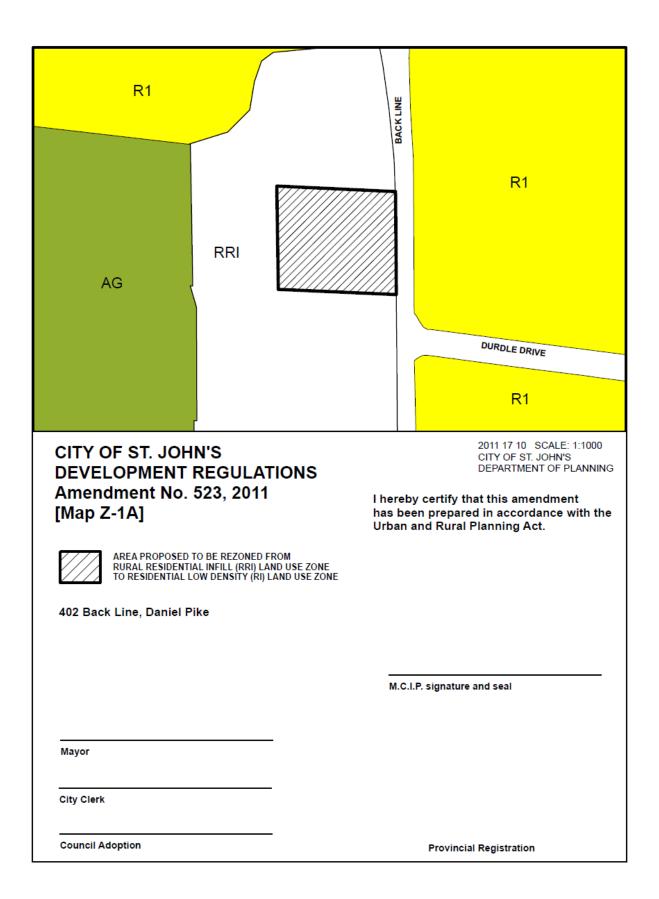
BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the City of St. John's hereby adopts the following map amendment to the St. John's Development Regulations in accordance with the provisions of the Urban and Rural Planning Act.

Rezone land at Civic Number 402 Back Line from the Rural Residential Infill (RRI) Zone to the Residential Low Density (R1) Zone as shown on Map Z-1A attached.

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

IN WITNESS THEREOF the Seal of the City of St. John's has been hereunto affixed and this Resolution has been signed by the Mayor and the City Clerk on behalf of Council this 7th day of November, 2011.

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



The motion being put was unanimously carried.

Application to Rezone Property to the Apartment Medium Density (A2) Zone Property Located Between Blackmarsh Road and Captain Whelan Drive (Ward 3) Applicant: Pinnacle Engineering on Behalf of Dancor Development Ltd.

Under business, Council considered a memorandum dated November 3, 2011 from the Director of Planning regarding the above noted.

SJMC2011-11-07/557R

It was moved by Councillor Hickman; seconded by Councillor Hanlon: That staff be directed to proceed with the rezoning of those parts of the Gulliver Farm Property which are presently zoned as Residential Low Density (R1), to the Apartment Medium Density (A2) Zone; and further, adopted the Resolution as presented for St. John's Development Regulations Amendment Number 525, 2011, which will be referred to the Department of Municipal Affairs for Provincial registration.

RESOLUTION ST. JOHN'S DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONDS AMENDMENT NUMBER 525, 2011

WHEREAS the City of St. John's wishes to allow the construction of a residential apartment development on property located between Blackmarsh Road and Captain Whelan Drive and commonly referred to as the "Gulliver Farm Property".

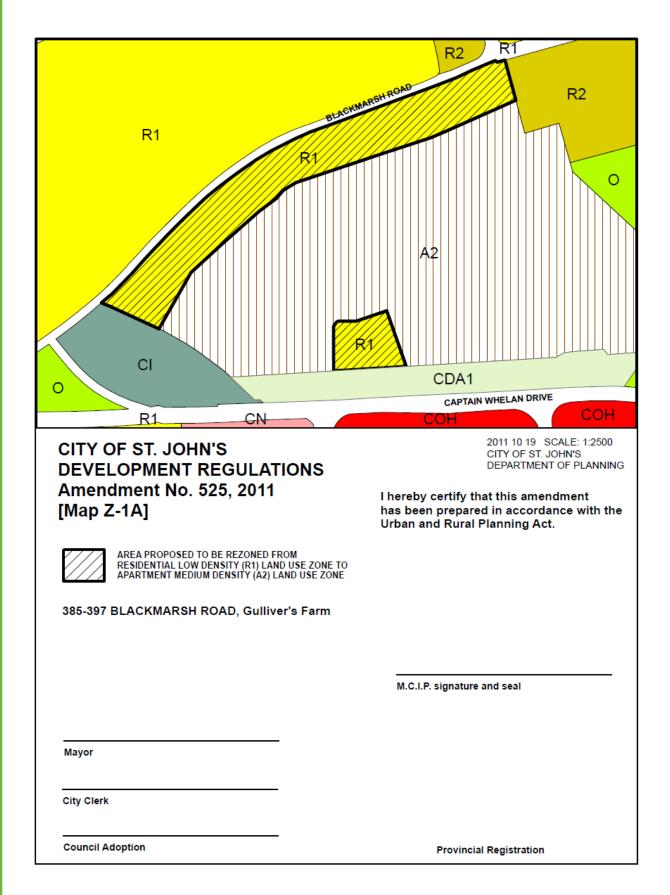
BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the City of St. John's hereby adopts the following map amendment to the St. John's Development Regulations in accordance with the provisions of the Urban and Rural Planning Act:

Rezone land located between Blackmarsh Road and Captain Whelan Drive from the Residential Low Density (R1) Zone to the Apartment Medium Density (A2) Zone as shown on Map Z-1A attached.

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

City Clerk on Behalf of Council this 7 th day o	f November, 2011.
Mayor	I hereby certify that this Amendment has been prepared in accordance with the Urban and Rural Planning Act, 2000.
City Clerk	MCIP

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



As noted by Councillor Hickman, Council at its Regular Meeting on October 24, 2011, considered a public hearing report dated October 18, 2011 which was held to provide an opportunity for public review and comment on an application submitted by Pinnacle Engineering Ltd. on behalf of Dancor Developments Ltd. to rezone land situated off Blackmarsh Road and Captain Whelan Drive and known as the "Gulliver Farm" site from the Residential Low Density (R1) Zone to the Apartment Medium Density (A2) Zone. In addition, a number of submissions were presented by the area residents outlining their concerns/objections to the proposed development.

Council on October 24, 2011 agreed to defer its decision on the rezoning application. Subsequent to that, Councillor Tilley in his capacity as the Ward Councillor for the Blackmarsh Road/Captain Whelan Drive area, organized and chaired a meeting held on October 31, 2011 at St. John's City Hall between representatives of the applicant, the applicant's engineering consultant and ten (10) residents from a number of streets located in the proximity of the Gullier Farm Property. The purpose of this meeting was to provide an opportunity for the representatives of the applicant/developer to provide additional information and/or clarification of the points discussed at the October 18, 2011 public meeting. Councillor Tilley tabled a copy of the minutes of this meeting, which were provided to all members of Council.

Councillor Tilley provided an overview of the project and colored renderings of the project. He noted that the proposed project amounts to 122 units less than the project for single family homes fronting on Blackmarsh Road, approved by Council last year. He noted the issues and concerns of the residents, one of their major concerns being that this particular project would devalue their homes. He noted that the project does not represent low income housing, and stressed the fact that the project is a condominium project with a condominium corporation, which requires enforcement capability of a condominium corporation which require that the properties be maintained properly.

Other issues of concern were traffic, storm water retention, rental units, NLHC construction subsidy, Open Space/Greenery and Parking.



With respect to traffic, Councillor Tilley noted that the Traffic Engineer advised there will be less traffic with respect to this project by 30% over the former approved project. He also noted that it appears that the housing units are set back far enough from the street for adequate parking and provides ample room for snow storage.

Councillor Tilley also noted that there is more than adequate Open Space and Greenery for this project with the planting of two trees per house, which will serve to beautify and enhance the area. He indicated that the purpose of the retention pond is to retain storm water runoff and release it at a predevelopment rate. He indicated the design criteria developed by the city appears to be safe and sustainable. He also noted that the developer will incorporate the retention pond into a landscape featuring grass, trees, walking trails and benches. Councillor Tilley further noted that there will be rules in place to deal with the conduct of owners and renters. Also, with respect to NLHC Construction Subsidy, it is not the intention to retain units and seek NLHC subsidy for construction. The developer does not support the view that such an arrangement would result in ghetto housing.

In conclusion, Councillor Tilley noted that while citizens have expressed concerns, he is confident that this is a sound, economic and viable project for all citizens and one which will address an affordable housing need.

Other members of Council reiterated Councillor Tilley's comments, commended the project and were pleased that the project will address the high demand in the market for affordable housing

Following discussion, the motion being put was unanimously carried.

Notices Published

1. A Discretionary Use Application has been submitted by Sharon Slaney requesting permission to occupy Civic No. 72A Birmingham Street as a Home Occupation for a Light Concept Nail Salon. The proposed business will occupy a floor area of approximately 9 square metres in the basement dwelling unit and will operate seven days a week from 3:00 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. One (1) client will visit at a time and one to two clients will visit per day. One (1) on-site parking space is provided for the business. The applicant is the sole employee. (Ward 3)



SJMC2011-11-07/558R

It was moved by Councillor Tilley seconded by Councillor Breen: That the application be approved.

The motion being put was unanimously carried.

Development Committee Report dated November 1, 2011

The following matter was considered by the Development Committee at its meeting held on November 1, 2011. The staff report is attached for Council's information.

RECOMMENDATION OF REJECTION

1. Civic No. 160 C Bennett's Road Referral from Town of Portugal Cove-St. Philips Applicant: Roy & Linda Roberts – construction of single detached dwelling

The Development Committee recommends that this application be rejected in accordance with Section 104(4) of the City of St. John's Act which states that a person shall not erect a building on land within the catchment area of the Broad Cove River.

Robert Smart, City Manager Chair – Development Committee

SJMC2011-11-07/559R

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

The motion being put was unanimously carried.

Para Transit Committee Report dated October 18, 2011

Council considered the following Para Transit Committee Report dated October 18, 2011:

Attendees: Cecil Whitten, Chairperson

Cecil Goulding, Canadian Council of the Blind Councillor Tom Hann, City of St. John's



Mayor Randy Simms, City of Mount Pearl
Bill Westcott, Epilepsy NL
Scott Batten, ILRC
Ron Ellsworth
Pauline Crann, CPA
Sheena King, CNIB
Bob Bishop, Director of Finance & City Treasurer
Jason Silver, City of Mount Pearl
Susan Tobin, Disability Policy Office, Prov. Govt.
Jennifer Mills, Communications Officer
Susan Ralph, Para Transit Coordinator
Karen Chafe, Recording Secretary

1. Terms of Reference

The Committee recommends Council's adoption of the revised Terms of Reference as attached.

2. Christmas Booking Schedule

The attached Christmas booking schedule has been confirmed by Wheelway Transportation Inc.

3. Public Meeting (November)

A public meeting is tentatively scheduled for November 30, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. in the Foran/Greene Room. The purpose of the meeting is to introduce the City's new para transit contractor MV Transportation and to provide the general public with an opportunity to ask questions.

4. Pre-Sold Tickets for Wheelway Transportation

The Para Transit Coordinator will advise customers to refrain from purchasing pre-sold tickets from Wheelway by November 1st, 2011 to ensure customers do not have a surplus of non-redeemable tickets under the new contract.

Cecil Whitten Chairperson

SJMC2011-11-07/560R

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

The motion being put was unanimously carried.

Development Permits List



Council considered as information the following Development Permits List for the period of October 28, 2011 to November 3rd, 2011:

DEVELOPMENT PERMITS LIST DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING FOR THE PERIOD OF October 28, 2011 TO November 3, 2011

Code	Applicant	Application	Location	Ward	Development Officer's Decision	Date
COM	Leonard Halleran	Home Office for Locksmith Company	30 Navajo Place	4	Approved	11-10-28
RES	Nicole Williams	Rebuild of Singe Detached Dwelling	11 Elm Place	4	Approved	11-11-02

* Code Classification: RES - Residential COM - Commercial AG - Agriculture OT - Other

INST - Institutional IND - Industrial

This list is issued for information purposes only. Applicants have been advised in writing of the Development Officer's decision and of their right to appeal any decision to the St. John's Local Board of Appeal.

Gerard Doran Development Officer Department of Planning

Building Permits List

SJMC2011-11-07/561R

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



Permits List

CLASS: COMMERCIAL

36 GEORGE ST CO RESTAURANT
386 STAVANGER DR CO OFFICE MATHEW YOUDEN MORRISON HERSHFIELD LTD. BUGDEN SIGNS LTD. 50 KENMOUNT RD, EMPIRE THEATRE SN PLACE OF AMUSEMENT 349 KENMOUNT RD MS CUSTOM WORKSHOP
358 MAIN RD MS SERVICE STATION CROWN WOODWORKING LTD. GOULDS IRVING MS SERVICE STATION 351-353 WATER ST E.C. BOONE LTD SN MIXED USE SPIRIT OF NEWFOUNDLAND 6 CATHEDRAL ST RN MIXED U
STEPHEN LEWIS 60 HAYWARD AVE GEORGETOWN BAKE RN BAKERY RN MIXED USE NORTH ATLANTIC SUPPLIES INC. 500-502 WATER ST SW RETAIL STORE NC COMMUNICATIONS USE NC COMMUNICATIONS USE 4 BARTER'S HILL PL BELL ALIANT BELL ALIANT 612 EMPIRE AVE NC COMMUNICATIONS USE 251 EMPIRE AVE BELL ALIANT NC COMMUNICATIONS USE
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THIS WEEK \$ 852,935.00

CLASS: INDUSTRIAL

THIS WEEK \$.00

CLASS: GOVERNMENT/INSTITUTIONAL

JENDORE LTD. 240 WATERFORD BRIDGE RD SW PARKING LOT

THIS WEEK \$ 1,285,000.00

CLASS: RESIDENTIAL

NC SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING NC PATIO DECK HEATHER BROWN 100 BAY BULLS ROAD

JASON KENNEY 24 CASTLE BRIDGE DR

NC ACCESSORY BUILDING 16-18 DURDLE DR MIKE JOYCE

REARDON CONSTRUCTION & DEV LTD 10 FALLOWTREE PL, LOT 120 NC SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING
PRARDON CONSTRUCTION & DEV LTD 7 FALLOWTREE PL, LOT 118 NC SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING



TERRY M STEAD & ERIKA D CHAFE

OF GLENLONAN ST - LOT 65

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SI HALL'S RD

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NC SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING

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NC SINGLE DETACHED WELLI 90 FAULKNER ST NC ACCESSORY BUILDING
70 GLENLONAN ST - LOT 65 NC SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING
53 HALL'S RD NC FENCE TERRY M STEAD & ERIKA D CHAFE 90 FAULKNER ST RN SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING
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RN SINGLE DETACHED & SUB.APT
RN SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING RICHARD M. WHITE 23 GRIFFIN'S LANE
MARIANNE ROGERS 18 HORWOOD ST
SHIRLEY COX 63 LIME ST
WALTER OAKLEY 32 FAHEY ST SW SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING SW SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING PETER LEWIS & TRACEY SHAVE 17 GLENRIDGE CRES

THIS WEEK \$ 4,371,950.00

CLASS: DEMOLITION

REDWOOD MANAGEMENT LTD. 560 TOPSAIL RD DM SINGLE DETACHED & SUB.APT

THIS WEEK \$ 5,000.00

THIS WEEK''S TOTAL: \$ 6,514,885.00

REPAIR PERMITS ISSUED: 2011/10/27 TO 2011/11/02 \$ 146,200.00

LEGEND

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CR CHNG OF OCC/RENOVTNS MS MOBILE SIGN
EX EXTENSION CC CHIMNEY CONSTRUCTION
NC NEW CONSTRUCTION CD CHIMNEY DEMOLITION
OC OCCUPANT CHANGE DV DEVELOPMENT FILE
RN RENOVATIONS WS WOODSTOVE
SW SITE WORK DM DEMOLITION

Payrolls and Accounts

SJMC2011-11-07/562

It was decided on motion of Councillor Colbert; seconded by Councillor O'Leary: That the following Payrolls and Accounts for the weeks ending November 3, 2011 be approved:

Weekly Payment Vouchers For The Week Ending November 3, 2011

PAYROLL

Public Works \$ 338,673.70

Bi-Weekly Casual \$ 21,595.24

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE \$ 6,307,369.46

TI TENANT IMPROVEMENTS

Total: \$ 6,667,638.40

Tender

a. Tender – Recreation Department – Office Space

SJMC2011-11-07/563R

It was moved by Councillor Colbert; seconded by Councillor O'Leary: That the recommendation of the City Solicitor be approved and the tender awarded as follows:

a. That the tender received which far exceeds the expected rent be rejected and that alternate accommodations be found either by re-tendering with changes to the Tender to increase interest and lower the cost, or by utilizing the old Metrobus Building on Freshwater Road if it is suitable.



The motion being put was unanimously carried.

Notice of Motion

Councillor Colbert gave the following Notice of Motion:

<u>TAKE NOTICE</u> that I will at the next regular meeting of Council move a motion to rescind the decision of Council to reject the application by Holy Heart High School to erect a 3' X 6.5' digital sign.

November 2011 Economic Update

Councillor Tilley outlined the highlights of the November 2011 Economic Update as provided by the Department of Economic Development, Tourism & Culture.

Request by Councillor Hanlon to attend Conference November 15th, 2011 at the Sheraton Newfoundland Hotel Junior Achievement of NL and St. John's Board of Trade Presentation by Rebecca Ryan Entrepreneur of the Year by the US Assoc. for Small Business and Entrepreneurship

SJMC2011-11-07/564R

It was moved by Councillor Colbert; seconded by Councillor Galgay: That payment of registration fees for Councillor Hanlon's attendance at the Junior Achievement of NL and St. John's Board of Trade Conference, in the amount of \$79.00 November 15th, 2011 be approved.

The motion being put was unanimously carried.

Councillor Hanlon

Councillor Hanlon noted that November is international anti-bullying month and encouraged everyone to talk to their children and to get involved in the anti-bullying campaign.

Councillor Tilley



Councillor Tilley asked that concerns with respect to traffic and speeding on Hazelwood Crescent be referred to the Police and Traffic Committee for consideration. In this regard, Councillor Tilley referenced a letter from Mrs. Janice St. John.

Councillor Tilley noted that he has received correspondence and phone calls from parents, including the Assistant Vice Principal of Hazelwood Elementary School (copy tabled) respecting their concerns over the lack of school traffic signage at the intersection area of Topsail Road, Forbes Street and Hazelwood Crescent.

Councillor Tilley asked for a thorough review and an appropriate action plan for effective signage at Topsail Road at Forbes Street and Hazelwood Crescent; the School for the Deaf, and Cowan Heights Elementary, St. Matthews School and St. Mary's School, which matter is referred to the Transportation Engineer for follow-up. At the request of the Mayor, the School Board will be asked to take part in the process.

Councillor Galgay

Councillor Galgay who attended the 61st MNL Annual Convention in Corner Brook, November 2 to 5, 2011 tabled the following documents which are on file with the City Clerk's Office:

- 1. Corner Brook 61st Annual Convention, MNL
- 2. Municipal Fiscal Sustainability
- 3. Census of Municipalities in Newfoundland and Labrador 2011

Councillor O'Leary

Councillor O'Leary as well as Councillors Galgay, Hickman and Deputy Mayor Duff, who attended the MNL Convention in Corner Brook, commended the event and spoke of the event as a positive opportunity for municipal leaders to share information and resources. She noted it was a very valuable experience and appreciated the fact the City had such strong representation.



Councillor O'Leary congratulated Deputy Mayor Duff who received an award of recognition for 30 years of municipal service.

Councillor O'Leary thanked the veterinarians of Avalon Animal Hospital for teaming up again this year to provide a one-day complimentary cat neuter program for eligible residents. She also thanked Humane Services Division staff of the Department of Public Works.

Councillor O'Leary advised that she was contacted by Mr. Peter Halley of Spirit of Newfoundland, concerning an issue with vandalism on Cathedral Street. She also noted that the lighting in the area is inadequate. The matter was referred to the Director of Engineering for follow-up.

Councillor O'Leary indicated she feels the Committee Chair Selection process should be more fair and equitable and would like to see a review of the process.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned 6:00 p.m.

