

09 March 2012

City of St. John's Department of Planning & Development 3rd Floor, City Hall St. John's, NL

Attention: Ken O'Brien, Supervisor of Planning Information

Project: 2170-03, The Battery Development Area Additional Guidelines

Re: Final Report

Enclosed for your review is the Final Report for The Battery Area Additional Guidelines.

Revisions have been made in response to comments from a Public Meeting held on Wednesday, February 15th at City Hall, and an internal review. These include:

- Several additional General Comments
- Changes to recommendations for Sheds 11 and 15.

Please let me know if you have any questions or comments.

Sincerely,

PHBGROUP Inc.

Philip Pratt, NLAA, MPMI

Architect

Encl. Final Report

FINAL REPORT



Report Prepared for City of St. John's

The Battery Development Area Additional Guidelines

PHB Project #2170-01 09 March 2012

Prepared by





PHB Project #2170-02

The Battery Development, Area Additional Guidelines

Footprint and Height Control Overlay Table Update to include Non-Residential Properties

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General Comments

- 1. These recommendations are made only on the basis of visual appearance and building massing and do not account for site boundaries, or ownership. The recommendations do not consider or imply suitability in terms of environmental, geotechnical, hydrographic and structural design requirements.
- All existing and former shed and stage structures are or were non-conforming uses in terms of
 present zoning regulations. While continuance of a non-conforming use can be considered as a
 reasonable expectation, change of a non-conforming use or any other approval is completely
 discretionary.
- 3. The same principles and objectives that were part of the original study should be applied to the sheds and stages in terms of "Image of the Battery" and "Impact of views from existing buildings".
- 4. The main justification for repair, replacement, or infill of any of these structures is based on historical use and associations, and the impact on the visual resource. Therefore, any new construction or renovation should be based on the traditional patterns, in terms of form, exterior materials, and fenestration, as outlined in Heritage Area Guidelines.
- 5. Small commercial and fishery activities were the main uses of these structures. These uses should be encouraged if possible in redevelopment.
- 6. The objective and overriding goal is for renovated, rebuilt and new structures to be the same footprint size and roof height as the originals that they replace. Specific applications will be reviewed in terms of these objectives.
- 7. The number of storeys in the table that follows are as seen from the water, not the road, and as with the suggested footprint area, are subject to detailed review, in particular as to original roof height.
- 8. The impact of decks, railings, parking areas, chimneys and landscape will also be subject to review in terms of visual appearance and impact on view.
- 9. The numbers as referenced are the designed shed / stage numbers, not the civic numbers.



Shed /Stage	Status	Condition	Primary Recommendation	Conditions For Repair, Replacement or Infill	Comments
1	Existing	Unstable	Allow	No expansion	Views.
2	Existing	Unstable	Allow	2 Storey maximum, no expansion	
3	Destroyed	-	Allow	2 Storey maximum	Footprint 600sf maximum
4	Existing	Derelict	Allow	2 Storey maximum	Views, Footprint 400sf maximum
5	Existing	Stable	Allow	No expansion	Views.
6	Destroyed	-	Allow	2 Storey maximum	Footprint 600sf maximum
7	Gone	-	No	-	Views
8	Gone	-	Allow	1 Storey maximum	Footprint 400sf maximum, maintain access to beach.
9	Existing	Unstable	Allow	No expansion	Views.
10	Existing	Stable	Allow	No expansion	Views and limited space.
11	Gone	-	Allow	2 Storey maximum	Area 600sf maximum
12	Existing	Stable	Allow	No expansion	Being rebuilt, plans approved.
13	Existing	Stable	Allow	No expansion	Expansion will increase the visual mass of group.
14	Existing	Unstable	Allow	1 Storey maximum 25% lateral expansion maximum	Access is an issue.
15	Vacant	-	No		
16	Existing	Unstable	Allow	No expansion	Limited space between houses.





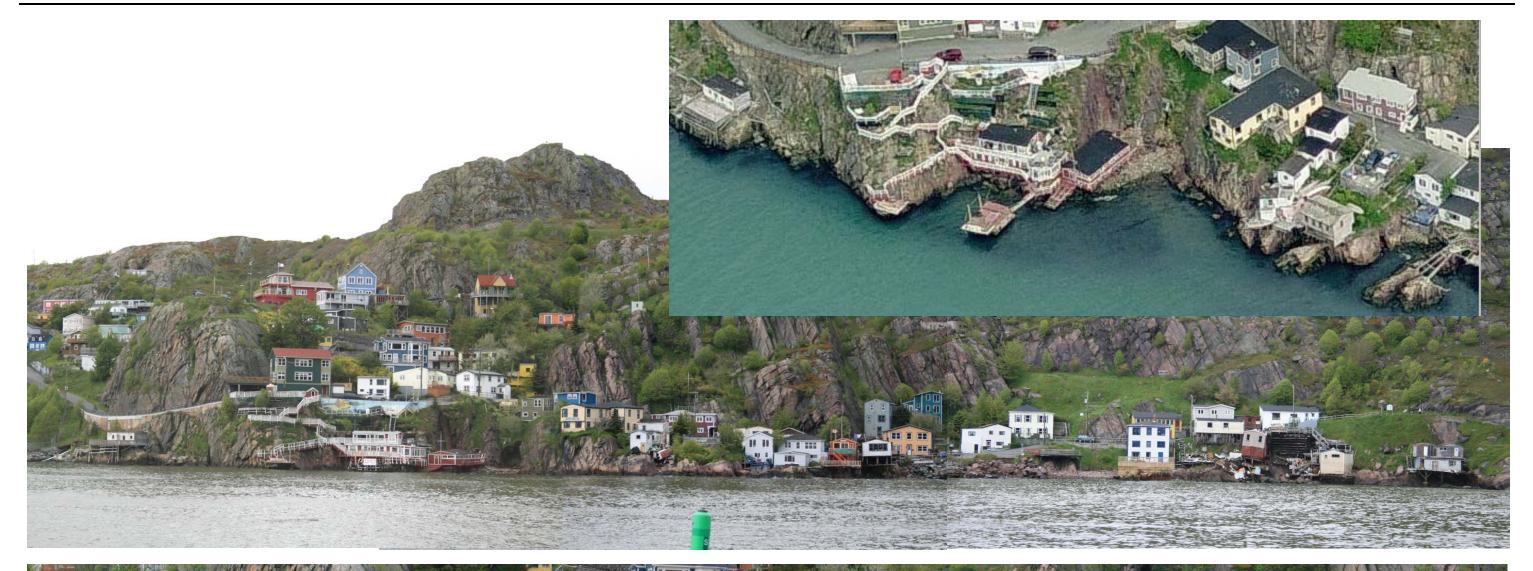


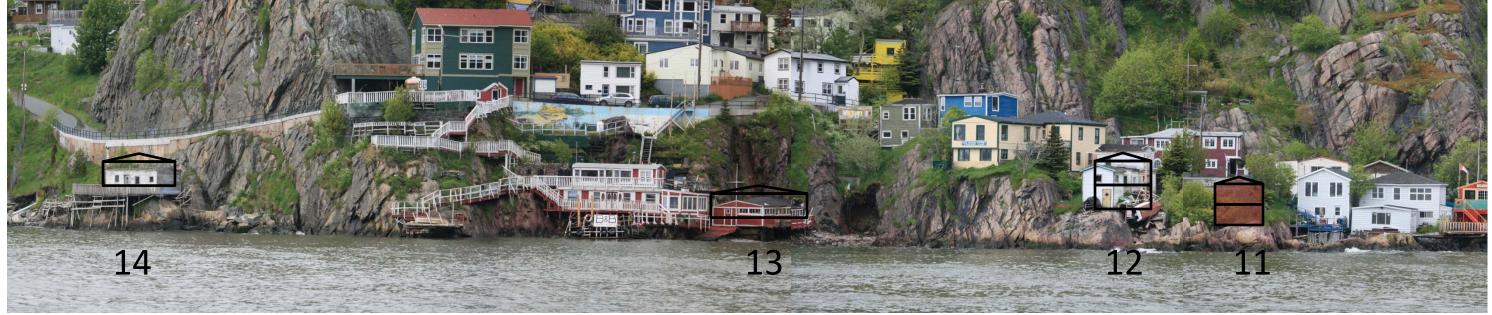
















COUNCIL DIRECTIVE

REGULAR MEETING Date: 2011/11/28 12:00:00 AM CD# R2011-11-28/10

To:

Cliff Johnston

Position:

Director of Planning

RE:

Planning & Housing Standing Committee - November 23, 2011

Item # 8 - The Battery Development Area - Additional Guidelines - Report prepared by PHB

Group on behalf of the City (Ward 2).

DECISION:

Council agreed to the Committee's recommendation that the proposed guidelines for the sheds/stages be referred to a public meeting to be chaired by a member of Council. These recommendations will be incorporated as an appendix to the

St. John's Development Regulations in the same manner as the

recommendations of the original Battery Development Guideline Study.

Action:

As required.

Date:

2011/11/28

Signed by:

P. Bartlett

Acting City Clerk

Status Comments:

Closed By:

Cliff Johnston

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cc:

Eng./Plan./Bldg.(Minus Cliff)

Response Required:

YES

Response deadline:

2011/12/16

Response Received:

Attachments: