



**Public Meeting of Council
Monday, December 17, 2012 at 7:00 pm
Council Chambers – City Hall**

Mayor Clifford Lee presiding

Present: **Deputy Mayor Stu MacFadyen** **Councillor Rob Lantz**
 Councillor Danny Redmond **Councillor Edward Rice**
 Councillor Jason Coady **Councillor Mitchell Tweel**
 Councillor David MacDonald **Councillor Terry Bernard**
 Councillor Melissa Hilton

Also: **Roy Main, CAO** **Phil Handrahan, DFDS**
 Laurel Palmer Thompson, DO **Hope Parnham, DO**

Regrets: **Councillor Cecil Villard** **Donna Waddell, DCS**

Mayor Lee called the meeting to order and welcomed Jill Robertson of Ekistics as well as members of the media and the public.

1. Waterfront Master Plan – Final Report Presentation to Council by Ekistics

Councillor Jason Coady introduced Jill Robertson of Ekistics and requested her to begin her presentation. Ms Robertson started with a brief synopsis of the process since September. She noted that a number of parties provided input throughout the process and that they had several meetings with members of the Advanced Planning & Priorities Committee, and Planning Committee, Staff, Steering Committee and Heritage Board. The public was engaged through a series of events such as a public open house, walkabout, online survey, Twitter, Facebook and email/phone communications. On November 27, 2012, a presentation of the draft report was given at a well attended public meeting resulting in a number of questions/comments. During that meeting, feedback was generally positive but concerns were raised regarding the balance of height and density on/near the waterfront, zoning map in relation to the 500 Lots and the administration/governance of the plan. As a result of the feedback there has been further refinement to the Plan. She indicated this is a long term development plan of the waterfront, anticipated to be over the next 20-30 years. Ms. Robertson noted that the final report recommendations could be classified into two areas (below) and she provided extensive information on those areas.

Master Plan Recommendations

- Development of Strategic Partnerships
- Expansion of Programming for the Waterfront
- Signage and Wayfinding

Planning Policy Recommendations

- Specific amendments to the Zoning & Development Bylaw
- Dedicated Waterfront Zone

Throughout the presentation, Ms. Robertson provided answers to several questions from Council. Committee members were very positive and supportive of the information presented. Ms. Robertson was thanked for her presentation.

Mayor Lee thanked Chair Coady for completing the Report and stated that the Report will now be left with the Planning & Heritage Committee to review the Report and its recommendations with respect to considering the proposed amendments required to the City's Official Plan and the Zoning & Development Bylaw.

Mr. Handrahan then summarized the anticipated process and timeframe as distributed to Council members.

2. Winter Festival – To Approve Event in Principle

Deputy Mayor MacFadyen, Chair of Economic Development & Culture, indicated that due to the cancellation of the Jack Frost Children's WinterFest in 2013 the City of Charlottetown is proposing to organize a Winter Festival for February 16-18.

In response to a question, Deputy Mayor MacFadyen indicated the City's Tourism Department would be responsible for coordinating the event.

A question was raised regarding the amount of money initially earmarked for Jack Frost. Deputy Mayor MacFadyen suggested that the \$15,000 normally available for Jack Frost be made available for the Winter Festival in 2013.

Mayor Lee asked Council if they were agreeable to transferring \$15,000 originally allotted for the Jack Frost Children's WinterFest to a community winter celebration in February 2013. It was the consensus of Council to proceed with the transfer of funds.

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM