

ST. JOHN'S

Committee of the Whole Agenda

January 12, 2022

9:30 a.m.

4th Floor City Hall

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Minutes of Committee of the Whole - City Council Council Chambers, 4th Floor, City Hall

December 15, 2021, 9:30 a.m.

Present:	<p>Mayor Danny Breen Deputy Mayor Sheilagh O'Leary Councillor Maggie Burton Councillor Ron Ellsworth Councillor Sandy Hickman Councillor Debbie Hanlon Councillor Jill Bruce Councillor Jamie Korab Councillor Ian Froude Councillor Carl Ridgeley</p>
Regrets:	<p>Councillor Ophelia Ravencroft</p>
Staff:	<p>Kevin Breen, City Manager Derek Coffey, Deputy City Manager of Finance & Administration Tanya Haywood, Deputy City Manager of Community Services Jason Sinyard, Deputy City Manager of Planning, Engineering & Regulatory Services Cheryl Mullett, City Solicitor Ken O'Brien, Chief Municipal Planner Karen Chafe, City Clerk Jennifer Squires, Legislative Assistant Christine Carter, Legislative Assistant</p>
Others	<p>Kelly McGuire, Communications & Public Relations Officer - Office of the City Manager Brian Head, Manager of Parks & Open Spaces - Public Works Steve Fagan, Supervisor, Traffic Analysis - Planning, Engineering & Regulatory Services Afaf Al-Azzawi, Manager, Transportation Engineering - Planning, Engineering & Regulatory Services</p>

1. **Call to Order**

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 9:30 am.

2. **Approval of the Agenda**

Moved By Deputy Mayor O'Leary

Seconded By Councillor Burton

That the agenda be adopted as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

3. **Adoption of the Minutes**

3.1 **Adoption of Minutes - December 1, 2021**

Recommendation

Moved By Councillor Ellsworth

Seconded By Councillor Bruce

That the minutes of December 1, 2021, be adopted as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

4. **Presentations/Delegations**

4.1 **Municipal Habitat Stewardship Agreement - Expansion Proposal**

Mr. Zachary Burrows, Conservation Biologist of the Stewardship Association of Municipalities presented to Council on the work of the Association and the current stewardship agreement and its potential expansion.

Mr. Burrows noted that in the recent Envision Municipal Plan it was mentioned that the City was considering the addition of more environmentally valuable areas for inclusion in the existing Stewardship Agreement.

SAM's goal is to have a continued commitment to conservation and stewardship within the City of St. John's, ensuring that natural areas remain for future generations. The Association is looking forward to having further conversations with the City toward submitting a proposal for a formal review and expanding the current agreement.

He also thanked the City on behalf of the Association for the City's agreement to host the 2022 Annual General Meeting.

Mr. Burrows was asked what additional protections are provided through the agreement. The Deputy City Manager of Planning, Engineering and Regulatory Services responded that having areas in an agreement is

added protection for the potential rezoning of the protected areas by future Councils.

4.2 Presentation by Seniors Advisory Committee re: Age-Friendly Cities Initiative

Age-Friendly Cities

Ms. Sharon Callahan, Chair of the Senior's Advisory Committee for the City of St. John's presented to Council on the initiative to have the City of St. John's designated as an Age-Friendly City through the World Health Organization.

Ms. Callahan highlighted for Council:

- What is an age-friendly Community?
- What is an age-friendly World?
- The World Health Organization's domains to becoming an age-friendly
- The benefits of the City of St. John's in joining the World Health Organization Global Network
- The benefits of membership of the World Health Organization Global Network
- The progress to date by the local sub-committee and their recommendations
- The next steps required to apply for the recognition of the City of St. John's as an Age-Friendly City through the World Health Organization.

During the discussion after the presentation, the importance of connections between citizens and youth was noted.

It was agreed that City Staff could bring forward information on the current intergenerational programs for Council to discuss at a future meeting.

Recommendation

Moved By Councillor Hanlon

Seconded By Deputy Mayor O'Leary

That Council approve the request from the Seniors Advisory Committee to obtain a letter of commitment from Mayor Danny Breen and to apply to be recognized as an Age-Friendly City through the World Health Organization.

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5. Finance & Administration - Councillor Ron Ellsworth

6. Public Works - Councillor Sandy Hickman

**6.1 Windsor Lake Water Treatment Plant Equipment Reserve Fund
Supply and Install of Ultraviolet Light (UV) Reactors**

Recommendation

Moved By Councillor Hickman

Seconded By Councillor Ellsworth

That Council make funding available through the Windsor Lake Equipment Reserve Fund to support the purchase and installment of three (3) UV reactors for the Windsor Lake WTP.

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- 7. **Community Services - Deputy Mayor Sheilagh O'Leary**
- 8. **Special Events - Councillor Debbie Hanlon**
- 9. **Housing - Councillor Ophelia Ravencroft**
- 10. **Economic Development, Tourism & Immigration - Mayor Danny Breen**
- 11. **Arts & Culture - Councillor Debbie Hanlon**
- 12. **Governance & Strategic Priorities - Mayor Danny Breen**
- 13. **Planning - Councillor Ian Froude**

13.1 275 Elizabeth Avenue, MPA2000013

Councillor Froude presented the Decision Note to Council to consider rezoning 275 Elizabeth Avenue from the Residential 1 (R1) Zone to the Apartment 1 (A1) Zone to allow the development of seven small 3-storey Apartment Buildings.

Councillor Froude advised Council that he was unable to support this motion as it is presented and asked that a decision be deferred to allow Staff the opportunity to receive more information from the developer on the proposal.

Some Council members expressed their concern with the access area on Elizabeth Avenue, the lack of green space being maintained and the density and lack of parking in the drawings presented.

Deputy City Manager of Planning, Engineering and Regulatory Services asked what specifically needs to be addressed with the developer before bringing this back to Council, and the Mayor responded that in particular the density and size of the development on the site.

Council agreed to defer the motion and asked Staff to meet and discuss the concerns expressed by Council with the developer, to get more information prior to considering an amendment.

Recommendation

Moved By Councillor Froude

Seconded By Councillor Ellsworth

That the matter be referred back to Staff and the developer for further information prior to considering an amendment to the Envision St. John's Development Regulations to rezone land at 275 Elizabeth Avenue from the Residential 1 (R1) Zone to the Apartment 1 (A1) Zone to allow a multi-building Apartment Building development.

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13.2 670 Kenmount Road, REZ2100003

Councillor Hickman asked where the access was for this development, and he was advised that access is through Kenmount Terrace.

Recommendation

Moved By Councillor Froude

Seconded By Councillor Burton

That Council consider rezoning a portion of the property at 670 Kenmount Road from the Residential 1 (R2) Zone to the Residential Reduced Lot (RRL) Zone to allow a 60-lot residential development. and that the application be advertised and referred to a virtual public meeting chaired by an independent facilitator.

Further, that the application be referred to the Environment and Sustainability Experts Panel for review and comment on the proposed exemption from wetland deferral.

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14. Development - Councillor Jamie Korab

15. Transportation and Regulatory Services - Councillor Maggie Burton

15.1 Traffic Calming List Update

Councillor Burton introduced the report before Council on the Traffic Calming Study.

The Deputy City Manager of Planning, Engineering and Regulatory Services advised Council that members of the Department would be presenting on the annual traffic calming study as an update for Council. He asked the Manager of Transportation Engineering, Afaf Al-Azzawi, to present the findings to Council.

Members of Council posed questions on the results of the survey including what makes streets eligible, when the surveys are completed, the scoring criteria, the priority streets, etc.

Several members of Council questioned the purpose of conducting traffic calming studies when most streets in the City need to have the speed limit reduced for safety reasons.

There was general support for additional funding be made available to the capital budget in January, aiming for 3 years of funding.

Several other points were raised during the discussion including ensuring that nearby streets that have traffic calming measures in place are also included as many will avoid the measures in place and use an alternate route and continue to use high speeds. Another point raised is the hesitation of pedestrians to use crosswalks and zebra crossings due to the fact that they are worried about oncoming traffic and the threat of being hit. It was also expressed that more than 50% of calls that Councillors receive from their residents deal with speeding on City streets, and that as a Council we need to do more for safety. Enforcement was another point raised and the importance of it.

It was agreed that Council would have a future discussion on the reduction of speed limits within the City.

The Deputy City Manager of Planning, Engineering and Regulatory Services advised that this is an information note to give an update on the current status of streets studied. He noted that there will be a public engagement session held in the new year to determine what is important to residents, and that information will be brought back to Council for their review and discussion.

Councillors expressed their appreciation for the review conducted by Staff on this very important issue.

16. Sustainability - Councillor Maggie Burton & Councillor Ian Froude

16.1 “What We Heard” – Long Pond Flow Control Structure and Flood Mitigation – Public Engagement

Councillor Burton reviewed with Council the next steps involved for the Rennie's River Flood Mitigation project.

As a part of the submission process for the environmental registration of the Long Pond Flow Control Structure and Flood Mitigation Project, a Virtual Public Meeting was held on December 7, 2021. The purpose of the meeting was to present the project scope to the general public in an effort to gain feedback and comments prior to submitting the environmental registration documentation to the Province.

The next step is to submit the application to the Minister of Environment and Climate Change for environmental review.

It was noted by Mr. Scott Windsor, Director of Engineering, that the Minister's decision will be to approve the undertaking or refer it to a higher level of environmental assessment.

Councillor Burton noted that there were concerns raised by those in attendance in particular using Long Pond as a flooding catchment area, the impacts that it would have on the trail and wildlife. The presentation was very clear and the discussions were very productive.

Mr. Windsor noted that there was good information and feedback collected during the public meeting that will be incorporated into the submission.

Councillor Korab asked that Councillor Froude or Councillor Burton be available to attend the next meeting of the Rennie's River Development Foundation Board meeting to give an update to the board on this project.

17. Other Business

17.1 Inspection Services Customer Satisfaction Survey Results

Mr. Randy Carew, Manager of Regulatory Services, presented to Council the results of a customer service survey of inspection services.

Highlights from the survey:

- Survey respondents rated their overall satisfaction with various elements within the inspection and permit process as being 4.2 out of 5. 5 being excellent.
- For inspections that required follow up, 91% were clear on what they needed to do.

Overall Satisfaction – Electrical Inspection	4.14
Overall Satisfaction – Plumbing Inspection	4.32
Overall Satisfaction – Building Inspection	4.07

Mr. Carew noted that to ensure staff continue to have a good sense of the voice of the customer, a perpetual survey is ongoing. Every time a permit is issued, the client is sent a link to a survey asking a few key questions. This approach allows staff to identify issues and concerns and capture meaningful data on an ongoing basis for continuous improvement of the process.

A detailed review will occur on the areas identified as needing improvement and changes will be implemented where appropriate. Feedback will be collected on an ongoing basis.

Members of Council shared their appreciation to the staff in Regulatory Services as they are quite busy and it can be very challenging work and staff can be put into some difficult situations doing that work.

It was noted that for 2021 so far, there have been approximately 6,000 permits granted.

The Deputy City Manager of Planning, Engineering and Regulatory Services commented that it is great to see such high satisfaction ratings, and that he is very proud of the team; they are very busy.

18. **Adjournment**

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 11:32 am.

Mayor

INFORMATION NOTE

Title:	“What We Heard” – Resilient St. John’s Community Climate Plan – Public Engagement Phase 2 of 2 Dec 2021
Date Prepared:	December 14, 2021
Report To:	Mayor and Council
Councillor and Role:	Councillor Maggie Burton & Councillor Ian Froude, Sustainability
Ward:	Ward 4

Issue:

At the Nov 17, 2021 Committee of the Whole, an update was brought to City Council on the draft Resilient St. John's Community Climate Plan planning process, and the second and final stage of public engagement was launched. The engagement included the release of draft actions for the community to reach necessary greenhouse gas emission reduction targets and adaptation actions to address the local impacts of highest risk from projected changes in climate in our community. The purpose of the public engagement was to gather feedback on the drafts proposed actions prior to the development of a final draft for Council's consideration for adoption.

Discussion – Background and Current Status:

Climate change is the biggest challenge of our generation. It is a sustainability cornerstone issue that needs to be addressed to achieve sustainable development and ensure that our efforts for long-term recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic are not undermined by the risks that climate change presents.

City Council declared a climate emergency on November 2019. The Resilient St. John's Community Climate Plan focuses on this sustainability issue by addressing greenhouse gas emissions (GHG) and adaptation to changes in climate. The plan identifies a 30-year strategy for an energy transition, with specific actions for the upcoming years to reduce our community's GHG emissions, while re-enforcing efforts to stabilize energy costs by supporting energy efficiency, and generating economic activity. It also outlines actions to further prepare the City to address the challenges and opportunities presented by the impacts from climate change.

The Resilient St. John's Community Climate Plan's evidence-based and stakeholder-driven development process to-date includes:

- Early public and stakeholder engagement to understand priorities and concerns - [What-We-Heard](#).

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- Development and adoption by City Council of the [Corporate Climate Plan](#) to address the City's operations GHGs associated with the energy used by its operations.
- A holistic community model to understand energy and [GHG emission from our community as a whole](#) currently, and for both a business-as-usual (BAP) and the low-carbon (LC) future captured in this plan.
- A financial analysis of both scenarios to ensure that its implementation results in a positive and equitable benefit to our economy, savings to residents' energy related costs, creation of jobs, and a positive return-on-investment for our community as a whole.
- A stakeholder-driven strategic risk assessment to identify the ongoing and projected impacts to our community from climate change and plan to adapt.
- The second phase of engagement to gather feedback on the proposed path forward.

Key Considerations/Implications:

1. Budget/Financial Implications: none related to the engagement process
2. Partners or Other Stakeholders:

The various Committees of Council and the Multi-Stakeholder Sustainability Team, as well as the public had opportunities to provide feedback to the existing drafts.

St. John's Multi-Stakeholder Sustainability Team:

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| • Government of Newfoundland and Labrador | • Quidi Vidi / Rennie's River Development Foundation | • Destination St. John's |
| • Food First NL | • CMHC | • St. John's Board of Trade |
| • NAACAP | • Department of Fisheries and Oceans | • Canadian Home Builders' Association |
| • Healthy City St. John's | • AIM network | • Grand Concourse Authority |
| • Bike St. John's | • Metrobus | • MUN Botanical Gardens |
| • Newfoundland Federation of Agriculture | • St. John's Airport (YYT) | • Drive Electric NL |
| • Econext (NEIA) | • Newfoundland Power | • North Atlantic |
| • Memorial University | • Home Builders Association | • Martin Batterson |
| • CCNL | • BOMA NL | • East Coast Trail |
| • Professional Engineers and Geoscientists Newfoundland & Labrador | • NOIA | • FFAW |
| • Ducks Unlimited Canada | • MMSB | • Newfoundland and Labrador Public Health Association |
| | | • SWANA |

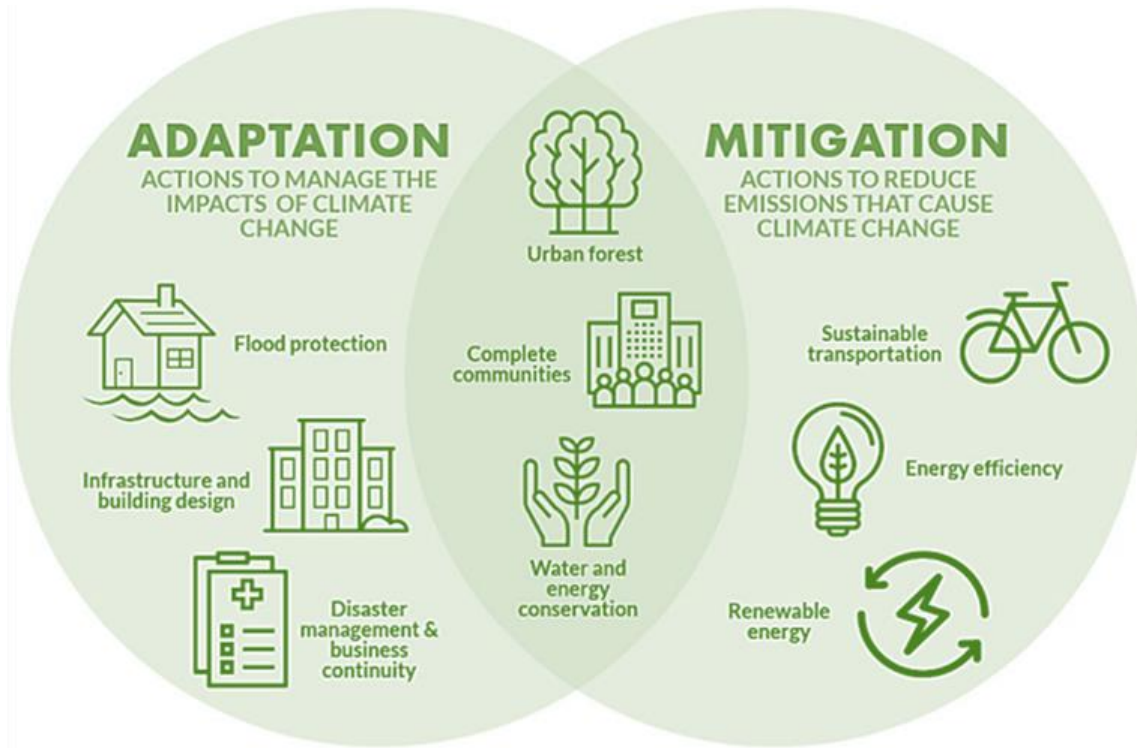
We also thank First Voice and First Light for supporting an ongoing conversation about the role of this plan and environment and climate action more broadly in the healing process of the indigenous peoples in the community.

3. Alignment with Strategic Directions/Adopted Plans:
A Sustainable City; A City That Moves; A Connected City; An Effective City
4. Legal or Policy Implications: N/A
5. Privacy Implications: N/A
6. Engagement and Communications Considerations: Public engagement work was undertaken by staff in Organizational Performance and Strategy in collaboration and the Sustainability Coordinator.
7. Human Resource Implications: N/A
8. Procurement Implications: N/A
9. Information Technology Implications: N/A
10. Other Implications: N/A

Conclusion/Next Steps:

Share the “What We Heard” document on the Resilient St. John’s Community Climate Plan on the engage page.

The “What We Heard” document will be given consideration in finalizing the final Resilient St. John’s Community Climate Plan draft of the plan before being brought to City Council for consideration of adoption.



Resilient **St. John's** Community Climate Plan DRAFT

What We Heard From Public Engagement about the DRAFT actions
Dec. 2021

Disclaimer

- This document aims to provide a summary of what was heard from participants during the public engagement process. It is not meant to reflect the specific details of each submission or conversation word-for-word.
- The City produces a What We Heard document for every city-lead project where public engagement is used to share back with the community the commentary collected and to ensure we heard you correctly.
- The City protects the privacy of those who provide their feedback as per Access to Information and Privacy Legislation.
- The full scope of commentary is used by the project team, city staff, and Council to help inform recommendations and decisions.

Context and background

- St. John's declared a climate emergency in Nov. 2019
 - Staff were directed to develop a plan that assesses climate risks, greenhouse gas emissions reduction targets, actions and strategies, reporting systems, identification of funding sources and collaboration opportunities
- Corporate Climate Mitigation Plan developed and adopted May 2020
- Engagement on the Community Climate Plan started in 2020
- St. John's Multi-Stakeholder Sustainability Team established in 2020 to provide feedback and advice throughout the process
- Consultant hired to develop community energy model and community greenhouse gas emissions mitigation plan
- Staff supervised mitigation and lead adaptation components of the plan
- Draft Plan update presented to Council in Nov. 2021 and final round of engagement planned for Dec. 2021



Purpose of Public Engagement



Inform residents and other interested stakeholders about the DRAFT actions in the plan and seek their feedback.



Share information about the two elements of the plan – adaptation and mitigation.

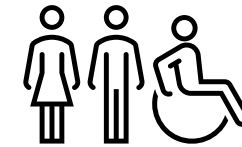


Provide information to lead staff and consultant who will make revisions/modification to the draft for final presentation to Council



Stakeholders

- Residents of St. John's
- City Advisory Committees
- Community groups



Promotion of Public Engagement



- PSA issued Nov. 24
- Social media posts
 - One Facebook post – 3780 impressions, 18 engagements
 - Two Twitter posts – 5082 impressions, 7 engagements
 - One Instagram post – 1124 impressions, 5 engagements
- Two newsletters through EngageStJohns.ca – nearly 3300 registered users each. 46% and 50% open rate
- Council Sustainability Lead radio interview

Points of Engagement

- 1600 visits to EngageStJohns.ca over the life of the project; 217 visited during the draft plan engagement phase; 14 actively engaged on the draft plan
- Meeting with City's Environmental and Sustainability Experts Panel to gather feedback
- Circulation of drafts to City's Multi-Stakeholder Sustainability Team to seek feedback with invitation to public session
- One all-committee meeting with City Advisory committees included representatives from the following:
 - Seniors
 - Inclusion
 - Arts and Culture
 - Affordable Housing
 - Built Heritage
 - Bike St. John's
- Virtual Public Session – 30 people attended
- Submissions from Food First NL, NL Historic Trust
- Meeting with Social Justice Co-op NL and NL Historic Trust
- 4 emails



What we Heard Themes

- Municipal Plan and Development Regulations amendments; Need to de-incentivize sprawl and incentivize mixed use, intensification, and adaptive re-use.
- Electrify vehicles and focus on active transportation and public transit improvements
- Value the existing Built Environment
- Transportation planning to reduce car culture
- Climate action connects to healthy cities, food security, energy poverty.
- Energy cost and efficiency are very important
- Role and intersection with other levels of government
- Plan needs to have more specific details and targets

What We Heard About Support for the Plan

- Focus on those most impacted and least able to adapt is a strong element of the plan
- Economic analysis to make sure path is good economic policy is good
- Bold goals around the net-zero buildings (new and retrofits) is good
- Prominence of bike plan is good but some concerns on implementation approach of the current bike plan
- City committees can provide ongoing support and advise and should stay connected the plan
- Adaptation piece is stronger than the mitigation piece

What We Heard About Municipal Plan and Development Regulations Amendments

- The Plan should have/develop more specific recommendations that support the intention of Envision – complete and mixed neighbourhoods, intensification, including incentives to create more; needs to minimize impacts on natural areas such as wetlands.
- Zoning/rezoning is something the City can influence and there should be overt mentions of the need to reduce sprawl, stop R1 and R2 development areas; Accessible urban areas reduce GHGs
- Require developers to be electric vehicle charging ready, and use heat pumps in new construction including apartments and condos
- Need a solution for EV charging for those who don't have off-street parking spot. Don't want to drive people away from these areas if they want an EV.

What we heard about Electric Vehicles (EVs) and Public Transportation

- While EVs are good, not everyone can afford them; need to make public transportation more accessible and frequent
- Need more EV charging stations in more locations
- Electrifying buses is good, increasing frequency and viability of public transit also needs to be better
- Review of transit has been done – now it needs to be implemented to improve the service and increase ridership, taking people out of cars. This benefits food security too.

What We Heard About the Built Environment

- Plan needs to overtly state the value in preserving built environment and built heritage more generally.
- Need to mandate reuse, adaptive reuse of existing buildings
- Incentivize maintenance and addition over demolish and rebuild
- Prioritize sustainable, future-proof building design in new builds
- Mandate deconstruction versus demolition
 - salvage, recycling of materials, and retrofit to limit waste going to the landfill
- Definition of net-zero should include embedded carbon in the existing built environment is important, even if it is difficult to quantify.

What We Heard about Transportation and Car Culture

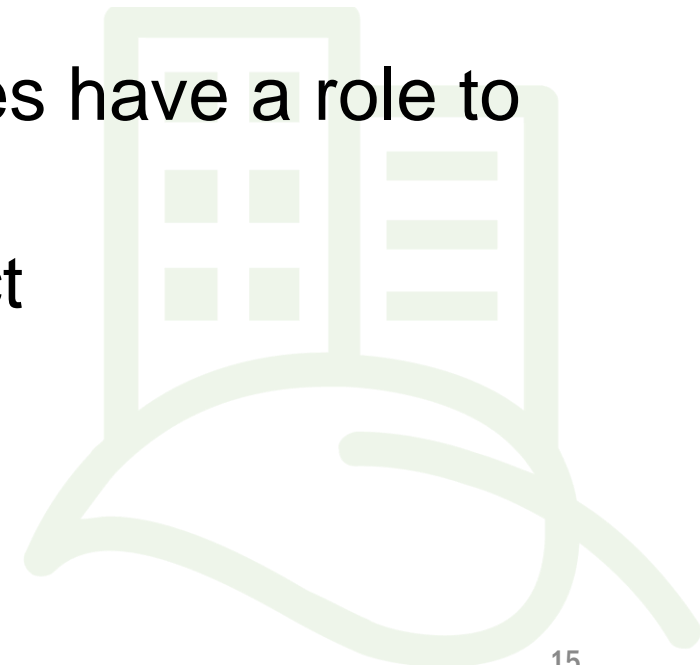
- The City needs to do more to focus on active transportation and public transit and engage with the public on its implementation
- Reduce speed limits to support climate change and safety
- Roads are too wide; transportation plans need to address physical infrastructure to narrow roads, create more bike lanes, bus lanes, etc.
- City needs to make it easier for people to get around on foot; clear sidewalks, remove stairs
- City needs to deliver on already approved targets for mode share

What We Heard About Healthy Cities and Food Security

- Focus on those most impacted and least able to adapt is a strong element of the plan
- Consider relationship between healthy cities and climate considerations is good
- Like link between energy poverty and retrofits
- There is a direct link between food security, public transit, and sidewalk snow clearing, as it relates to access
- Enable community composting
- Climate impacts, even while warming, are not really expected to create a significant and reliable opportunity for agriculture
- Producing more food locally, while it can be good for food security, it must be done properly to not result in environmental damage
- Need to study more global dynamics and impact on local food security

What We Heard About Other Levels of Government

- City plan needs to intersect with other government plans, a brief note on how this is achieved should be included
- Make sure to include considerations for impacts of action from other levels of government and global context
- Municipalities NL and neighbouring municipalities have a role to play in the success of a climate plan
- Cannot wait for other levels of government to act



What We Heard About Energy Costs and Efficiency

- Mandate new homes/buildings to have energy efficient systems
- Affordability of a home includes its monthly bills
- People need rebate programs to make changing away from oil heating systems at least cost neutral or better to accelerate the change
- Mandate sellers/builders/realtors to promote energy efficiency as a selling feature
- A user guide to help people calculate their energy consumption would be interesting

What We Heard About Targets and Details

- Some aspects of the plan lack targets and direct policy direction;
- Timelines need to have more urgency; there is no time to wait
- Some language is very vague and non-committal at this stage
- Concerns about potential delays in implementing the plan if further consultation and waiting on other levels of government required. Need to move on these actions now.
- Need accountability for leadership of the City, including City Council.

What Else We Heard

- Some excited to see the City considering potential use of wind power to meet increased energy demand in the future – some concerned about the need for it to be reliable
- Change language in plan to say the city should look at things from entire environmental ecosystem versus vs climate change lens
- City needs to improve engagement and communication around climate change to ensure people are aware and understand the “why” to change behaviours as projects come to fruition.
- Continue with urban tree planting and naturalization; but engage communities ahead of time
- Do not sign letters of support for oil companies

What Else We Heard

- Some concerns about flood mitigation, berms do not always work
- Need for a community-wide composting solution and service
- Concerns about link between wetlands, waterway buffers and bike plan in its current state.
- Would like to see a user-friendly version of the plan to make it more consumable for the average citizen
- City should be an early adopter by using pilots and demos
- NL Power interested in partnering on several program areas
- FoodFirst NL interested in continuing collaborating on implementation
- CMHC expressed support for the buildings pilots as well



Next Steps



Staff to review all feedback and
consider changes for Final
Version of the Plan



Final Draft Plan to be presented
to Council for adoption
consideration January 2022





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Thank you for your interest in this project. Consultation has now concluded. Check out the Life Cycle or News for updates.



Climate change is the biggest challenge of our generation. It is a sustainability cornerstone issue that needs to be addressed to achieve sustainable development and ensure that our efforts for long-term recovery are not undermined by the risks that climate change presents. The Resilient St. John's Climate Plan focuses on this sustainability issue by addressing energy and climate change impacts.

The plan identifies a 30-year strategy, with specific actions for the upcoming years to reduce our community's greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, while re-enforcing efforts to stabilize energy costs by supporting energy efficiency. It will also provide strategies to further prepare the City to address the

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