

Committee of the Whole Agenda

May 27, 2025

3:00 p.m. 4th Floor City Hall **Pages** 1. Call to Order 2. Announcements 3. Approval of the Agenda 4. **Adoption of the Minutes** 3 4.1 Minutes of May 13, 2025 5. Presentations/Delegations 5.1 AccessAbility Week Proclamation 6. Finance & Administration - Councillor Ron Ellsworth 7. Public Works - Councillor Ophelia Ravencroft 8. Community Services and Special Events - Councillor Jill Bruce 9. Housing - Councillor Ron Ellsworth 10. **Economic Development & Immigration - Councillor Tom Davis** 11. Arts & Culture - Councillor Sandy Hickman 12. Governance & Strategic Priorities - Mayor Danny Breen 7 12.1 SHAD Memorial 2025 Sponsorship Breakfast 13. Planning - Councillor Maggie Burton 9 13.1 7 Waterford Bridge Road – REZ2500013

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17.	Parks, Open Spaces, and Facilities - Councillor Greg Noseworthy				
18.	Other Business				
19.	Adjournment				

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Minutes of Committee of the Whole - City Council

Council Chambers, 4th Floor, City Hall

May 13, 2025, 3:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor Danny Breen

Deputy Mayor Sheilagh O'Leary

Councillor Ron Ellsworth
Councillor Jill Bruce

Councillor Greg Noseworthy

Councillor Tom Davis
Councillor Carl Ridgeley

Regrets: Councillor Maggie Burton

Councillor Sandy Hickman
Councillor Ophelia Ravencroft

Staff: Kevin Breen, City Manager

Derek Coffey, Deputy City Manager of Finance & Corporate

Services

Jason Sinyard, Deputy City Manager of Planning, Engineering &

Regulatory Services

Lynnann Winsor, Deputy City Manager of Public Works

Cheryl Mullett, City Solicitor

Tracy-Lynn Goosney, Manager of Development Engineering

Theresa Walsh, City Clerk

Jackie O'Brien, Manager of Corporate Communications

Stacey Baird, Legislative Assistant

- 1. <u>Call to Order</u>
- 2. Announcements
- 3. Approval of the Agenda

Recommendation

Moved By Councillor Noseworthy **Seconded By** Councillor Bruce

That the agenda be adopted as presented.

For (7): Mayor Breen, Deputy Mayor O'Leary, Councillor Ellsworth, Councillor Bruce, Councillor Noseworthy, Councillor Davis, and Councillor Ridgeley

MOTION CARRIED (7 to 0)

4. Adoption of the Minutes

4.1 Adoption of Minutes - April 29, 2025

Recommendation

Moved By Deputy Mayor O'Leary **Seconded By** Councillor Davis

That the minutes of April 29, 2025, be adopted as presented.

For (7): Mayor Breen, Deputy Mayor O'Leary, Councillor Ellsworth, Councillor Bruce, Councillor Noseworthy, Councillor Davis, and Councillor Ridgeley

MOTION CARRIED (7 to 0)

- 5. <u>Presentations/Delegations</u>
- 6. Finance & Administration Councillor Ron Ellsworth
- 7. Public Works Councillor Ophelia Ravencroft
- 8. <u>Community Services and Special Events Councillor Jill Bruce</u>
- 9. Housing Councillor Ron Ellsworth
- 10. Economic Development & Immigration Councillor Tom Davis
- 11. Arts & Culture Councillor Sandy Hickman
- 12. Governance & Strategic Priorities Mayor Danny Breen
- 13. Planning Councillor Maggie Burton

13.1 331 Water Street - SGN2500034 - Wall Sign

Deputy Mayor O'Leary expressed concerns about the negative impact the light from the sign may have on customers staying at the Murray Premises. She requested that staff engage with the business owner on the issue.

Recommendation

Moved By Councillor Davis
Seconded By Councillor Ellsworth

That Council approve the wall sign at 331 Water Street, as proposed.

For (7): Mayor Breen, Deputy Mayor O'Leary, Councillor Ellsworth, Councillor Bruce, Councillor Noseworthy, Councillor Davis, and Councillor Ridgeley

MOTION CARRIED (7 to 0)

13.2 56 Brazil Street - DEV2500001 - New Dwelling

Recommendation

Moved By Councillor Davis

Seconded By Councillor Noseworthy

That Council accept this staff report on 56 Brazil Street as the Heritage Report for a proposed new dwelling in Heritage Area 3, as per Section 8(3) of the St. John's Heritage By-Law, and approve the building elevations dated April 17, 2025.

For (7): Mayor Breen, Deputy Mayor O'Leary, Councillor Ellsworth, Councillor Bruce, Councillor Noseworthy, Councillor Davis, and Councillor Ridgeley

MOTION CARRIED (7 to 0)

14. Development - Councillor Carl Ridgeley

14.1 2023 Flood Risk Mapping Study

Recommendation

Moved By Councillor Ridgeley **Seconded By** Councillor Ellsworth

That Council approve the 2023 Flood Risk Mapping Study and adopt the Flood Risk Mapping as presented.

For (7): Mayor Breen, Deputy Mayor O'Leary, Councillor Ellsworth, Councillor Bruce, Councillor Noseworthy, Councillor Davis, and Councillor Ridgeley

MOTION CARRIED (7 to 0)

- 15. <u>Engineering and Regulatory Services Councillor Sandy Hickman</u>
 - 15.1 Adoption of the Commercial Property Tax and Vacancy Relief By-Law
- 16. Sustainability Deputy Mayor Sheilagh O'Leary
- 17. Parks, Open Spaces, and Facilities Councillor Greg Noseworthy
- 18. Other Business
- 19. Adjournment

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 3:11 p.m.

		Mayor

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Decision Note

Title: SHAD Memorial 2024 Sponsorship Breakfast

Date Prepared: May 20, 2025

Report To: Committee of the Whole

Councillor and Role: Mayor Danny Breen, Governance & Strategic Priorities

Ward: N/A

Decision/Direction Required:

Seeking Council's approval to host a breakfast for the staff and students of Shad Memorial 2025.

Discussion – Background and Current Status:

The City has received a request from the Program Director of Shad Memorial requesting that the City sponsor a breakfast at City Hall with the Mayor and/or councillors, followed by a tour of and time spent with Councillors in Chambers. The event consists of about 80 people in total. They have requested the date Tuesday, July 22nd. This annual event has been sponsored by Council since 2007.

Memorial University is one of 18 university campuses in Canada offering the Shad program (www.shad.ca), a nation-wide program designed to offer high-potential high school students the opportunity to be surrounded by other talented youth from across the country. The program strives to hone the skills of tomorrow's potential leaders and provide first-hand access to industry and career options to assist the students in choosing educational and career paths.

Shad is a not-for-profit organization and relies on the support of public and private sector organizations to provide an expansive and high-quality program.

Key Considerations/Implications:

- 1. Budget/Financial Implications: Estimated cost of breakfast is \$4000.00.
- 2. Partners or Interested Parties: Memorial University of NL; SHAD Canada

Decision Note

Title

3. Is this a New Plan or Strategy: No

If yes, are there recommendations or actions that require progress reporting?

If yes, how will progress be reported? (e.g.: through the strategic plan, through Cascade, annual update to Council, etc.)

4. Alignment with Strategic Directions:

A Connected City: Increase and improve opportunities for residents to connect with each other and the City.

N/A

5. Alignment with Adopted Plans: N/A

6. Accessibility and Inclusion: N/A

7. Legal or Policy Implications: N/A

8. Privacy Implications: N/A

9. Engagement and Communications Considerations: N/A

10. Human Resource Implications: N/A

11. Procurement Implications: N/A

12. Information Technology Implications: N/A

13. Information Management Implications: N/A

14. Other Implications: N/A

Recommendation:

That Council sponsor breakfast for the SHAD Memorial 2025.

Prepared by: Theresa Walsh, City Clerk

Approved by:

DECISION/DIRECTION NOTE

Title: 7 Waterford Bridge Road – REZ2500013

Date Prepared: May 21, 2025

Report To: Committee of the Whole

Councillor and Role: Councillor Tom Davis, Planning

Ward: Ward 3

Decision/Direction Required:

To consider rezoning a portion of 7 Waterford Bridge Road to enable an Apartment Building.

Discussion – Background and Current Status:

An application to rezone 7 Waterford Bridge Road came before Council at the Regular Meeting on March 25, 2025, and was rejected. The City has since received two new applications for the property: an application to subdivide 7 Waterford Bridge Road into two Lots and a revised application to rezone a portion of 7 Waterford Bridge Road, which contains the existing dwelling.

The new rezoning application is from Harbour Capital Corp., which proposes to rezone the developed portion of the property from the Residential 1 (R1) Zone to the Apartment 2 (A2) Zone to enable a six (6) unit Apartment Building. Similar to the previous application, the existing Single Detached Dwelling is proposed to be renovated into an Apartment Building.

One driveway is proposed to provide access for both Lots. An access agreement, which is currently being prepared, is required prior to subdivision approval. The application to subdivide will be processed along side the application to rezone. The design of the Apartment Building proposal has not changed from the previous application. Staff have reviewed the application and have no concerns.

Should Council consider rezoning, staff recommend public notification in accordance with Section 4.8 of the Envision St. John's Development Regulations. Please note that since a Municipal Plan amendment is not required, there will not be a commissioner's public hearing so public notification would be the only form of public consultation.

Key Considerations/Implications:

- 1. Budget/Financial Implications: Not applicable.
- 2. Partners or Other Stakeholders: Neighbouring property owners and residents.
- 3. Is this a New Plan or Strategy: No



4. Alignment with Strategic Directions:

A Sustainable City: Facilitate and create the conditions that drive the economy by being business and industry friendly; and being a location of choice for residents, businesses and visitors.

A Sustainable City: Plan for land use and preserve and enhance the natural and built environment where we live.

- 5. Alignment with Adopted Plans: Envision St. John's Municipal Plan and Development Regulations.
- 6. Accessibility and Inclusion: Any accessibility requirements from the National Building Code or Service NL will be applied at the building permit stage.
- 7. Legal or Policy Implications: A map amendment to the Envision St. John's Development Regulations is required.
- 8. Privacy Implications: Not applicable.
- Engagement and Communications Considerations: Consultation will be carried out as per Section 4.8 of the Envision St. John's Development Regulations. Public notification alone is recommended. A project page will be created on the Engage St. John's website.
- 10. Human Resource Implications: Not applicable.
- 11. Procurement Implications: Not applicable.
- 12. Information Technology Implications: Not applicable.
- 13. Other Implications: Not applicable.

Recommendation:

That Council consider rezoning a portion of 7 Waterford Bridge Road from the Residential 1 (R1) Zone to the Apartment 2 (A2) Zone and that the application be advertised in accordance with the Envision St. John's Development Regulations.

Prepared by: Lindsay Church, MCIP, Planner III – Urban Design and Heritage Approved by: Lindsay Lyghtle Brushett, MCIP, Supervisor - Planning and Development

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Report Approval Details

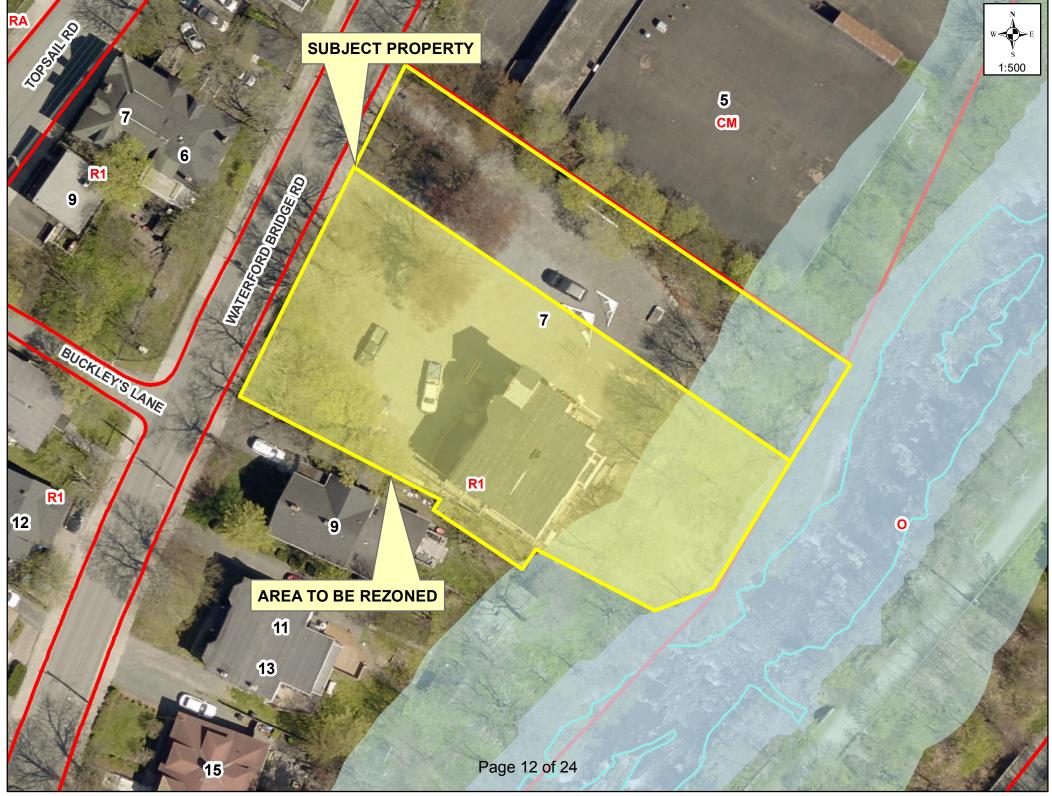
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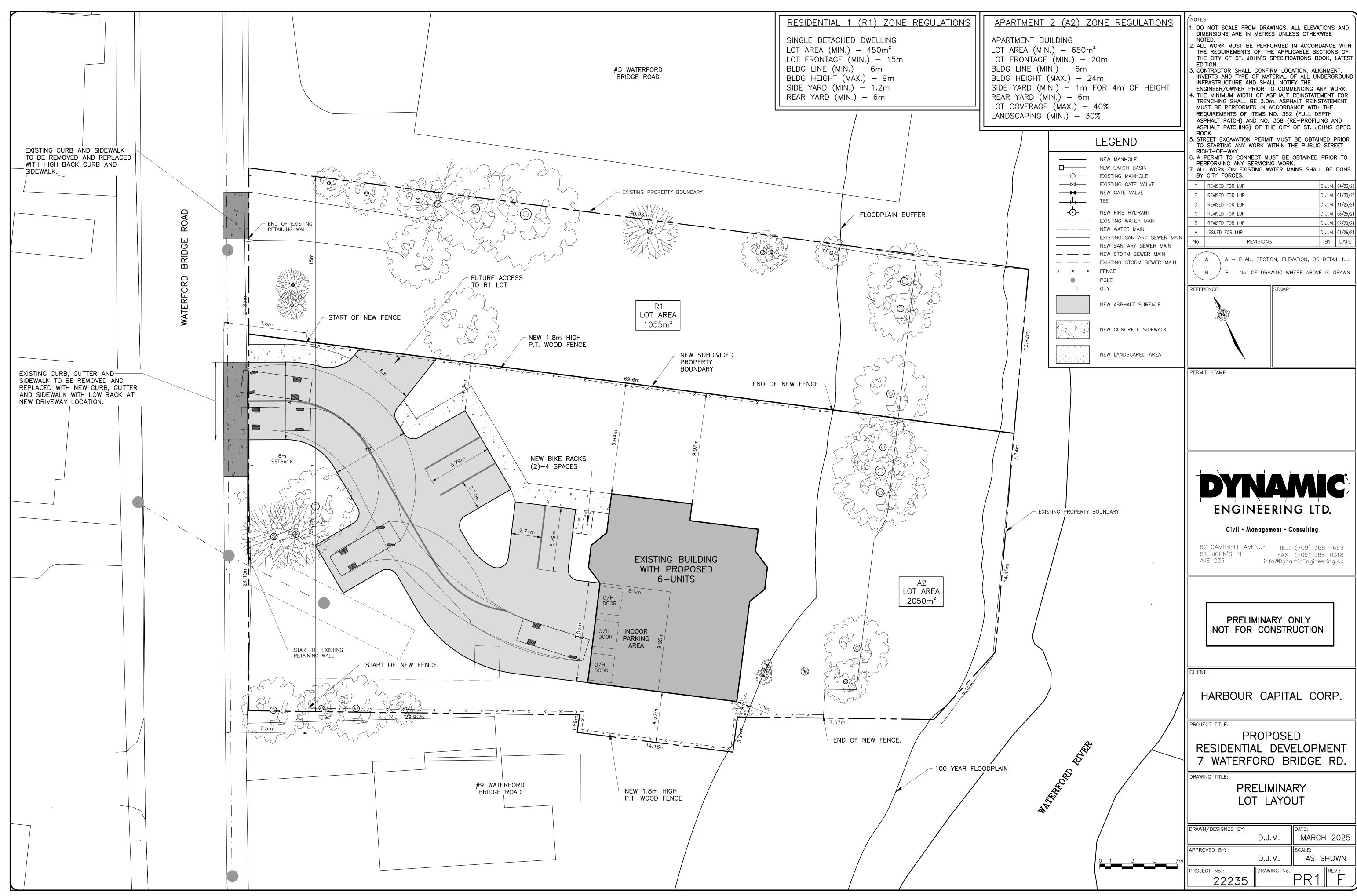
This report and all of its attachments were approved and signed as outlined below:

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Ken O'Brien - May 21, 2025 - 10:34 AM

Jason Sinyard - May 21, 2025 - 11:49 AM





DECISION/DIRECTION NOTE

Title: 4A Middle Battery Road – DEV2400079- New Dwelling

Date Prepared: May 20, 2025

Report To: Committee of the Whole

Councillor and Role: Councillor Tom Davis, Heritage

Ward: Ward 2

Decision/Direction Required:

To approve the design of a new house in a Heritage Area 4 (Battery) at 4A Middle Battery Road.

Discussion – Background and Current Status:

The subject property is located within the Residential District of the Envision St. John's Municipal Plan, is zoned Residential Battery (RB), and is located within Heritage Area 4 (Battery). A location map is attached.

The proposed elevations of the house are attached and meet the requirements of the St. John's Heritage By-Law, Schedule D - Heritage Design Standards for residential buildings in Heritage Area 4 (Battery). Window sizes will be confirmed at the building permit stage to ensure they meet building code, fire, and life safety requirements.

According to section 8(2) of the Heritage By-Law, an application for a new development in a Heritage Area shall require a Heritage Report. Notwithstanding this, "Council may accept a staff report in lieu of the Heritage Report." Staff recommends that Council accept this staff report in lieu of a Heritage Report.

Key Considerations/Implications:

- 1. Budget/Financial Implications: Not applicable,
- 2. Partners or Other Stakeholders: Neighbouring residents and property owners; heritage advocates.
- 3. Is this a New Plan or Strategy: No



- 4. Alignment with Strategic Directions:
 - A Sustainable City: Plan for land use and preserve and enhance the natural and built environment where we live.
 - An Effective City: Ensure accountability and good governance through transparent and open decision making.
- 5. Alignment with Adopted Plans: St. John's Municipal Plan and Development Regulations; St. John's Heritage By-Law.
- 6. Accessibility and Inclusion: Not applicable.
- 7. Legal or Policy Implications: Meets the St. John's Heritage By-Law, Schedule D Heritage Design Standards.
- 8. Privacy Implications: Not applicable.
- 9. Engagement and Communications Considerations: Not applicable.
- 10. Human Resource Implications: Not applicable.
- 11. Procurement Implications: Not applicable.
- 12. Information Technology Implications: Not applicable.
- 13. Other Implications: Not applicable.

Recommendation:

That Council accept this staff report on 4A Middle Battery Road as the Heritage Report for a proposed Single Detached Dwelling in Heritage Area 4 (Battery), as per Section 8(3) of the St. John's Heritage By-Law, and approve the building elevations dated May 2, 2025.

Prepared by: Lindsay Church, MCIP, Planner III – Urban Design and Heritage Approved by: Lindsay Lyghtle Brushett, MCIP, Supervisor – Planning and Development

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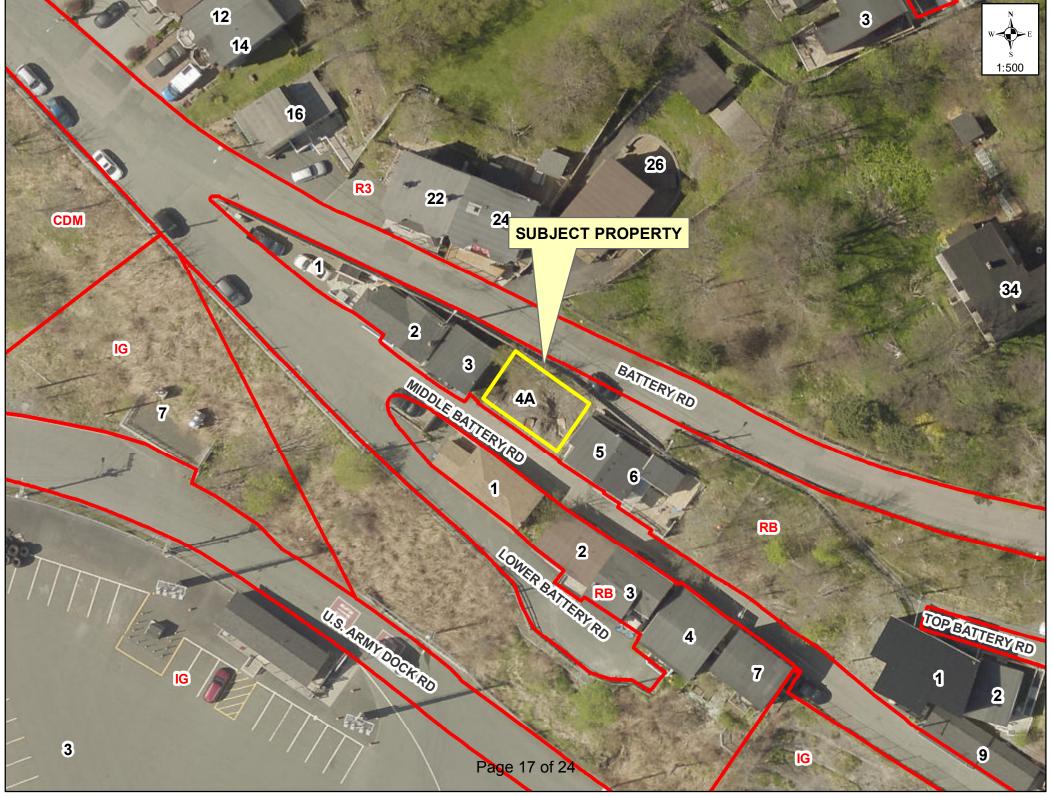
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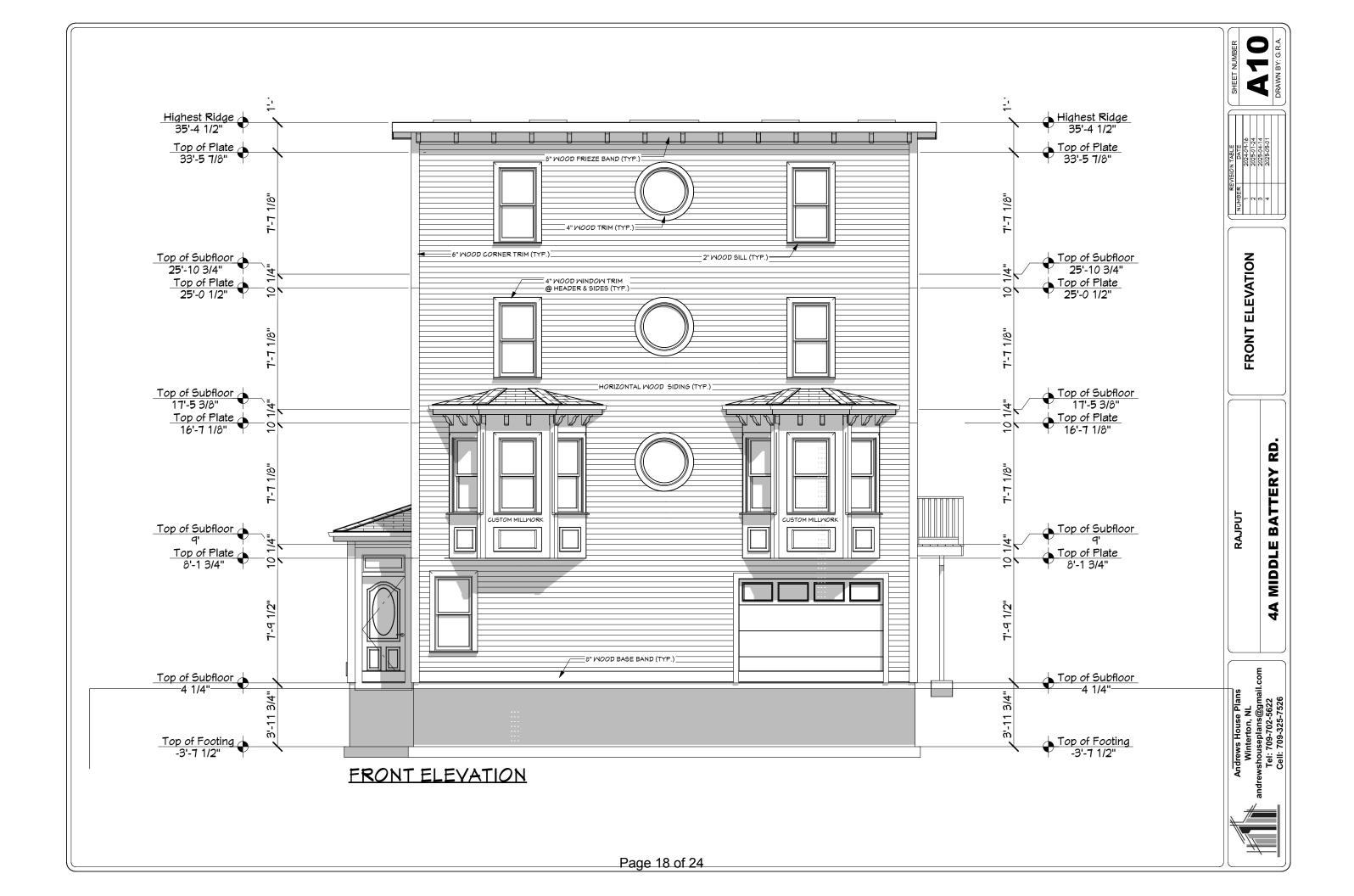
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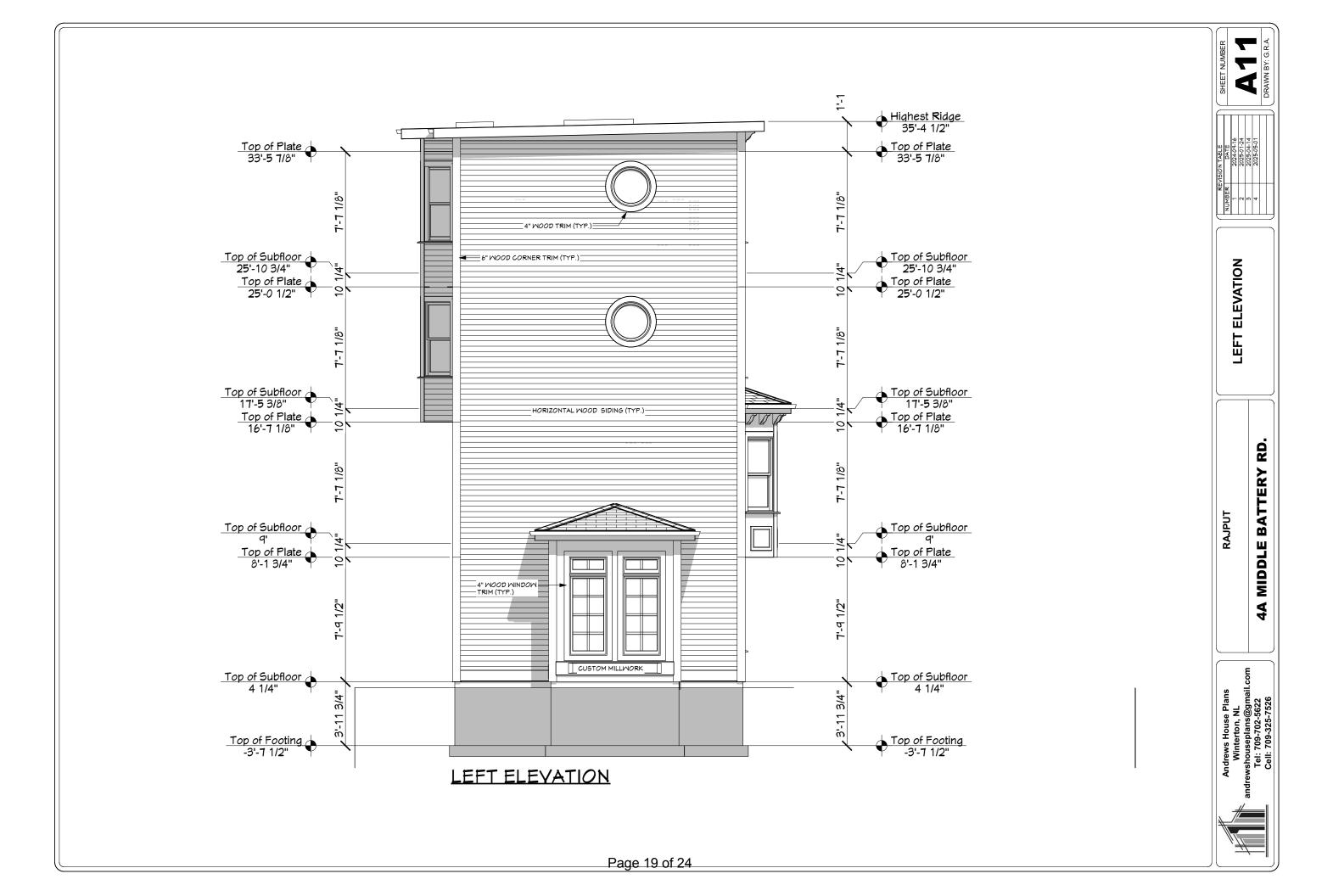
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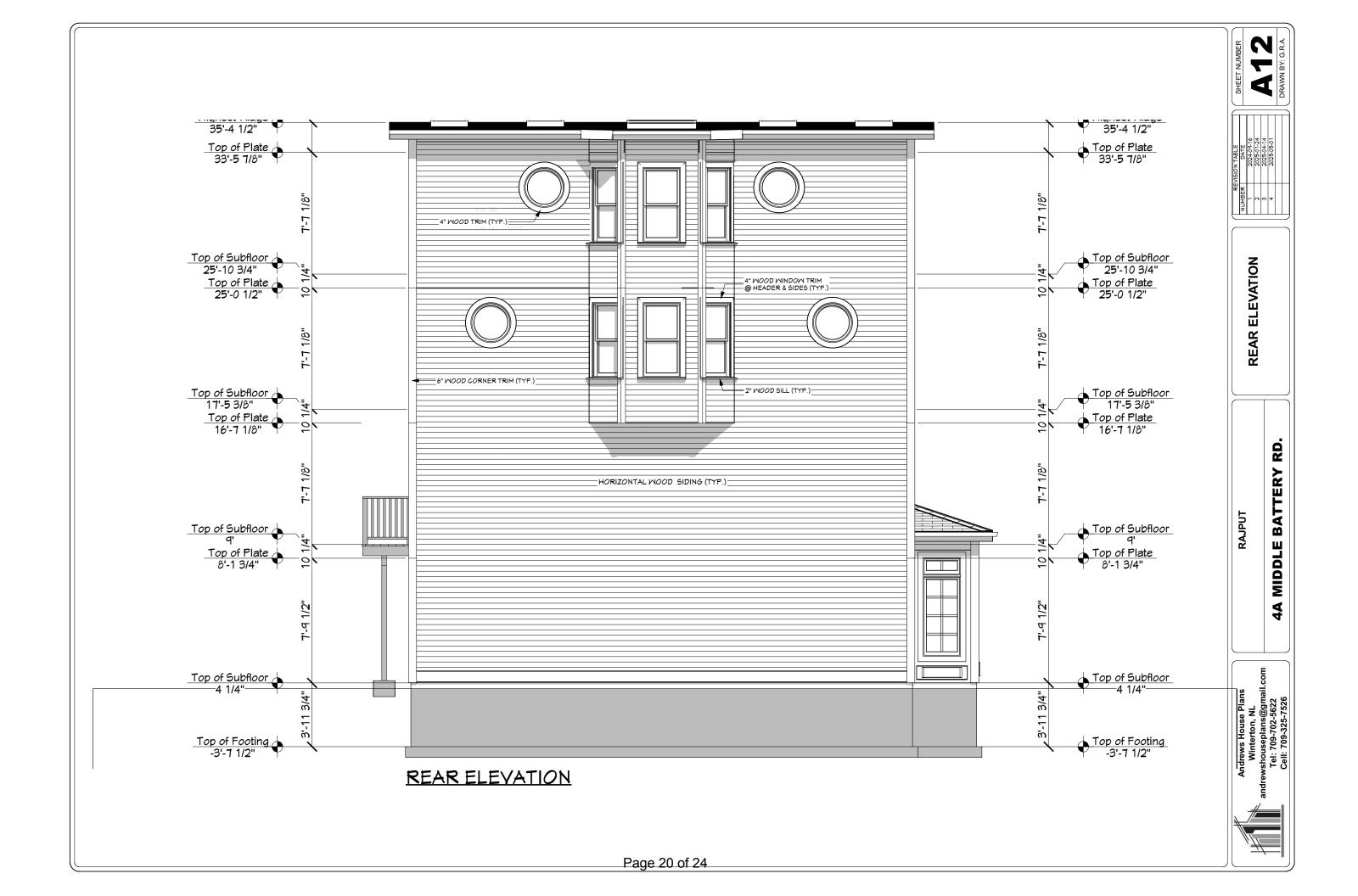
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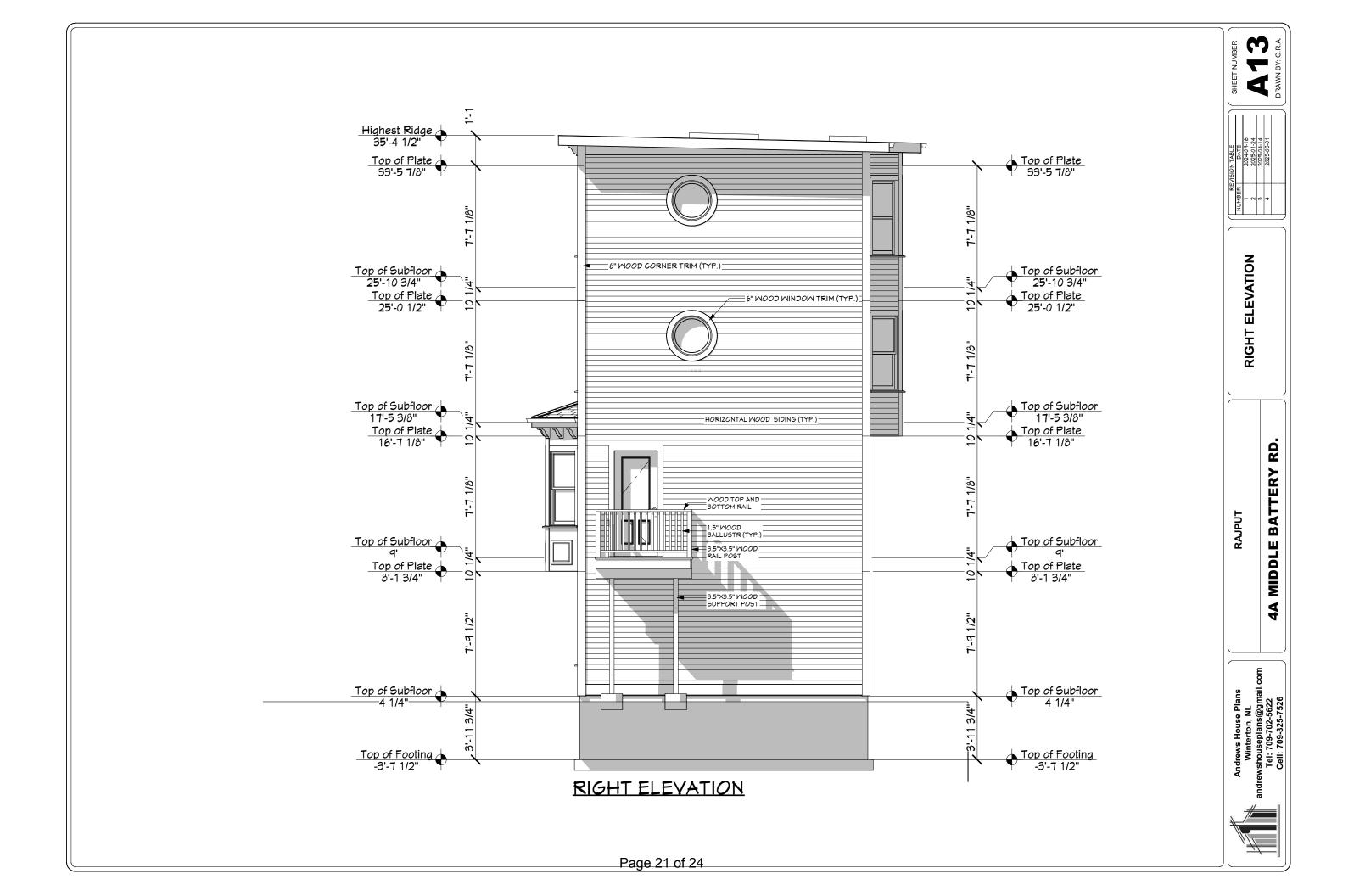
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INFORMATION NOTE

Title: Temporary Traffic Calming Locations - 2025

Date Prepared: May 21, 2025

Report To: Committee of the Whole

Councillor and Role: Councillor Sandy Hickman, Engineering and Regulatory Services

Ward: N/A

Issue:

This information note provides an update on the Temporary Traffic Calming Projects that will be installed in 2025.

Discussion – Background and Current Status:

We will install Temporary Traffic Calming at the following locations in the Summer of 2025:

- Glenyere Street between Birchwynd Street and Virginia Road
- Empire Avenue between Circular Road and Rennies Mill Road
- Smithville Crescent between Strawberry Marsh Road and Long Pond Road

These cushions will remain in place until late fall when they will be removed ahead of the winter weather. Households along these streets will then be surveyed to determine if the traffic calming cushions will be installed permanently. In order for a traffic calming project to move ahead to permanent implementation, at least 60% of households responding to the City survey must be in support of the construction. If the required support is not achieved, the traffic calming project is considered closed and no traffic calming measures are constructed.

Key Considerations/Implications:

- 1. Budget/Financial Implications: Deployment of Temporary Traffic Calming installations is funded through the City's Traffic Calming Budget.
- 2. Partners or Other Stakeholders: N/A
- 3. Alignment with Strategic Directions:

A City that Moves: Improve safety for all users on a well-maintained street network.

Choose an item.



- 4. Alignment with Adopted Plans: N/A
- 5. Accessibility and Inclusion: N/A
- 6. Legal or Policy Implications: N/A
- 7. Privacy Implications: N/A
- 8. Engagement and Communications Considerations: Households of streets where Temporary Traffic Calming will be trialed will be surveyed after removal and notified of outcomes.
- 9. Human Resource Implications: N/A
- 10. Procurement Implications: N/A
- 11. Information Technology Implications: N/A
- 12. Other Implications: N/A

Conclusion/Next Steps:

Temporary Traffic Calming will be installed on the above-mentioned streets this summer 2025 as per the approved adopted Traffic Calming Policy and Procedures.

Report Approval Details

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