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Re: Iqaluit submission: Nunavut Planning Commission

I acknowledge receipt of Brian Aglukark's letter to me dated January 11, 2017. I also appreciate receiving copies of the NPC draft land use plan and maps which I was able to pick up from City Hall at the end of last week, after my return on January 10th.

I had committed to drafting a submission outline for the City of Iqaluit by January 13th, 2017 – effectively NPC's deadline for municipalities and others. Given City resources, especially in our Lands and Planning Department, my work travel, vacation and Christmas holidays – and without additional support from elsewhere or funding to hire a consultant to provide assistance, there was no way the City was going to be able to submit a comprehensive and complete submission by January 13th.

Upon drafting the possible City of Iqaluit draft submission to NPC, it became evident the enormity of the task, if the City attempted to take the lead in developing a submission on behalf of the whole community. The City's mandate is two-fold, its primary one is to fulfill its specific areas of direct responsibility, such as provision of services to citizens e.g. water and sewage, garbage pick-up, disposal and solid waste management, road maintenance, recreation programs, land development and management within municipal boundaries, etc. and more broadly to represent, work with other levels of government, businesses, NGOs and citizens on issues that affect the community.

The City is in a slightly better position to develop a NPC submission on areas and activities it is responsible for e.g. water sources (Lake Geraldine and secondary backup or next location creek/river past Road to Nowhere subdivision), wastewater plant upgrade, closing the existing dump and new landfill, etc. However, to take such a narrow approach would mean that a lot of other planned and known vs possible and hoped for development and activities would be not be included and worse yet be formally excluded from the NPC land use plan for our community and surrounding area.

Examples of known and planned activities or development that is not within the City's direct responsibility are the new deep sea port, small craft harbour,





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admin@city.iqaluit.nu.ca www.city.iqaluit.nu.ca new airport, Peregrine Diamonds, Federal Government geoscience GEM research and mapping, Frobisher Bay seabed mapping, and almost certainly a lot more that the City may not be aware of. Which leads to the list of potential and hoped for activities that may or may not proceed in the next five years, such as fibre optic network in Baffin Bay/Davis Strait up Frobisher Bay to Iqaluit, new hydro project, possible windmills and/or solar panel or tidal power project, and other projects or activities possibly envisioned for by other levels of Government, Inuit organizations via Inuit Development Corporations, other private sector initiatives, and activities related to land use, development and management.

Therefore, it became abundantly clear and obvious that the community absolutely requires additional resources and assistance to develop a sufficiently accurate, complete and comprehensive submission to NPC about known and planned plus possible and hoped for activities, developments and/or projects in the reasonable foreseeable future.

I appreciate that NAM submitted its request to INAC to receive funding on behalf of the municipalities for such assistance but that the primary reason for denial was that INAC had provided NPC this exact type of funding. The only problem is that NPC meetings in the communities, including the last one in Iqaluit, did not undertake a full inventory of activities and developments of all the relevant and key stakeholders. From what I've been told by staff and stakeholders that NPC, nor its staff has not taken that approach beyond a meeting before City of Iqaluit Council in 2012 and the latest regional meeting with tacked on "workshop" with maps to write or draw known activities and developments. As such it seems that Amarok HTO and QIA CLARC members or other key Iqaluit community groups or businesses e.g. Peregrine Diamonds, QC, QE, etc. did not attend the November NPC meeting to provide the necessary input for Iqaluit and surrounding area regarding current, future or possible land uses.

While INAC is of the opinion that NPC received consultation funds for the communities, the fact is that the City and our community hasn't had the necessary support, either from NPC or any other entity, we require to develop a fulsome, meaningful and useful land use plan submission.

Iqaluit, as the capital and the largest community in Nunavut, has not only more people living and working here, but there are a number of key stakeholders that work in or have projects and activities in our surrounding area, related to resource exploration, tourism, transportation, fisheries, telecommunications, research, etc., significantly more than many of the other territory's communities. The City cannot be reasonably expected to know and/or represent those interests in a NPC land use submission.





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admin@city.iqalult.nu.ca www.city.iqalult.nu.ca You can find attached the draft outline that I produced as a possible template in which a consultant would use as a possible guideline for further engagement and consultation in the development of an Iqaluit NPC submission. In the end, such an outline ended up being a mix of specific known projects and activities to stating anything and everything as broadly as possible with no fixed area to put on a map except to state within the municipality and/or South Baffin region. In my opinion, the outline is only useful as a guide for further community engagement and development of a submission — and definitely not as is.

While NPC stated at the November meeting that the land use plan is not expected to be perfect, which is totally understandable, it should also not be so incomplete as not to fulfill the original intent and purpose of having a land use plan.

The City of Iqaluit and many other key stakeholders have shared their views that there was an expectation that there would be more assistance and engagement to the communities to produce meaningful submissions which would guide land use planning, use and development – for developers, Inuit/Nunavummiut, government and government agencies e.g. IPGs, etc. it's also been made abundantly clear to the City by multiple sources that amending or revising the land use plan – in the event that something is forgotten e.g. fibre optic, hydro project, tidal energy project, etc. there may be significant processes that must be undertaken which can and almost certainly lead to delays for such a project, incurring additional costs and/or worst case scenario, causing a project not to proceed – even though the activity and/or project could be very beneficial to the proponent and our community.

Even if NPC and/or INAC provides interim approval on a draft land use plan vs a final land use plan, our community would still require the additional support and assistance of a consultant to develop a sufficient submission of value and use for NPC, key stakeholders and our community.

On this basis, the City missed the deadline of January 13th, 2017 for its submission and will not support the NPC land use plan without a submission that fairly and reasonably represents all the various land use activities and/or developments in and around our community.

I welcome the opportunity to discuss this further with NPC, INAC, GN, NTI, QIA and other key stakeholders to find a reasonable and practical solution in the development of an Iqaluit land use plan submission.





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cc. City of Iqaluit Council
Premier Taptuna, Government of Nunavut
Carolyn Bennett, Minister of INAC
Nunavut Senator Patterson
Nunavut MP Tootoo
Aluki Kotierk, NTI President
PJ Akeeagok, QIA President



City of Iqaluit Submission to the Nunavut Planning Commission

Proposed or Possible Future Major Developments, Projects, and Activities

City of Iqaluit Community Infrastructure and Services (Municipality)

Housing, Commercial, Institutional, Public buildings and public services Roads, bridges, ditches, sidewalks, walkways, trails
Heating and electrical infrastructure and services
Telecommunications infrastructure and services
Cultural and Tourism infrastructure and services
Waste management and services
Water management and services
Transportation infrastructure and services
Granular and other related materials for construction and other uses
Snow and other unwanted material for disposal

Mining: Research, Exploration and Exploitation (South Baffin Area)

Project: Peregrine Diamonds re Chidliak Mine et al.
Other mining for research, exploration and exploitation
Carving Stone
NRCan GEM project et al.
Gravel/sand pit
Other infrastructure and related services to support e.g. logistics, storage, staging, etc.

Renewable and non-Renewable Energy (Muncipality and South Baffin area)

Tidal Power in Frobisher Bay
Hydro Project in South Baffin area
Wind and/or Solar
Chemical/Nuclear
Transmission lines
Thermal
Electricity
Power Generation Plants
BioMass/Heat Waste
Oil and Gas
And related infrastructure

Telecommunications (Municipality and South Baffin Area)

Satellite dishes
Cell/radio phone towers

Fibre optic in Frobisher Bay, Davis Strait, Baffin Bay

Waste Management (Municipality and South Baffin Area)

City of Iqaluit landfill, recycling centre, incinerator, gasification, storage, processing, disposal, etc.

Sewage lagoon/s
Wastewater Treatment Plant

Tourism (South Baffin area)

Hotels, Inns, lodges, cabins et al.

Activities: Sports fishing, hunting, eco-tourism, adventure, flora & fauna, wildlife, cultural, cruise ships, storage for supplies, etc.

Snowmobile racing and other events

Cultural & Economic Land Activities (South Baffin area)

Activities: Fishing, hunting, berry-picking, clam digging, shrimp, mussels, etc.

Ancillary infrastructure to support both personal, commercial, small and large scale
On the land corrections facilities and services

Manufacturing e.g. beer, soda pop, granite slabs, cabinets, etc.

Processing e.g. fish and other wildlife processing plant

Transportation (South Baffin area)

Shipping (cargo, fuel, supplies, etc.), ground transportation via road, off-roading, vehicles, ATVs, snow machines, BV206 et al., aviation, rafting, boating, drones, pleasure, commercial and recreational crafts and supporting infrastructure e.g. runways (permanent/temporary), telecommunications, etc. in South Baffin region Roads, trails

Deep sea port in Frobisher Bay

Small craft harbour in Frobisher Bay

Bridges