MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE WATER SUPPLY ADVISORY COMMITTEE, HELD IN THE BOARD ROOM, CITY HALL, ON WEDNESDAY, 2007-NOV-21, COMMENCING AT 12:00 P.M.

PRESENT: Councillor L. D. McNabb, Chair

Members: M. Macdonald, S.W. Extension

Council: Councillor M. Unger

Staff: T. Hickey

B. Sims
B. Clemens
D. Holmes
T. Swabey

S. Perkins

1. ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

(a) Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Water Supply Advisory Committee held on 2007-May-30 in the Board Room at 3:30 p.m.

It was moved and seconded that the Minutes be adopted as circulated. The motion carried unanimously.

2. REPORTS:

(a) <u>Water Supply Strategic Plan and Water Treatment Planning - Next Engineering</u>
Tasks

The Water Supply Strategic Plan was completed in January 2007. Associated Engineering helped the City of Nanaimo in the development and coordination of this plan, as well as in undertaking studies related to ground water supply, watershed yield and water treatment plant site location. The strategic plan and the studies were to guide and assist the City in determining how best to prepare for the challenges and demands of the future. The three major initiatives of the plan are the development of a water treatment plant, the addition of another dam and the plan are the development of a water treatment plant, the addition of another dam and reservoir and ongoing pipeline and storage upgrades which total \$225 million over 20 years.

To enable the City to proceed with property acquisition for both the water treatment plant and the dam site, as well as to initiate the process for selecting a design engineer for the water treatment plant, further work is required for the Water Treatment Plant Site Location Study. This work will also prepare the City to apply for Federal and Provincial infrastructure grants that may become available.

<u>RECOMMENDATION:</u> That the Water Supply Advisory Committee recommend that Council authorize Associated Engineering to complete the tasks related to the Water Treatment Plant Site Location Study at an additional cost of \$74,000.

It was moved and seconded that the recommendation be adopted. The motion carried unanimously.

(b) Water Rates for Southwest Extension

City staff have reviewed the bulk water rate charged to Southwest Extension and are recommending an increase of \$.12 per 1,000 gallons. This is brought about by the extensive capital program that is being implemented to deal with the long term improvements required to the water supply system.

<u>RECOMMENDATION:</u> That the Water Supply Advisory Committee recommend that Council adopt a bylaw to establish the rate for bulk water supply to Southwest Extension at \$1.43 per thousand gallons.

It was moved and seconded that the recommendation be adopted. The motion carried unanimously.

3. NEXT MEETING:

At the call of the Chair.

4. ADJOURNMENT:

It was moved and seconded at 12:17 p.m. that the meeting adjourn. The motion carried unanimously.

CHAIR