Re: Item No. 9.3

Case 17195

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Amendment to the Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use By-law and Development Agreement

6112 Quinpool Road, Halifax Presentation for Regional Council

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Proposal

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Applicant:

Studioworks International Inc.

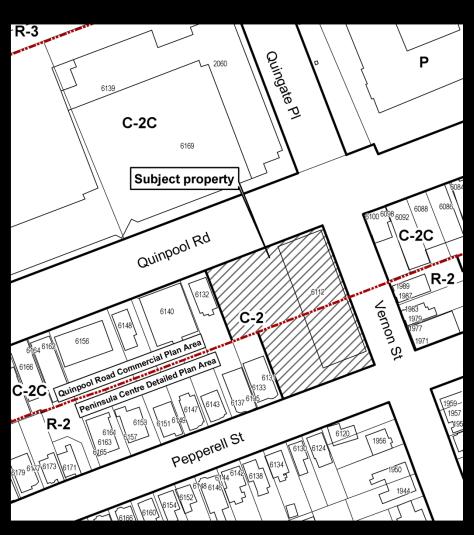
Proposal:

- Develop an 8 storey (approx 90 feet) mixed use building by a development agreement.
- Requires an amendment to the Municipal Planning Strategy

Initiated by Regional Council January 2012

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- Halifax Municipal Planning Strategy
- Halifax Peninsula Land
 Use By-law
- Quinpool Road
 Commercial Secondary
 Plan
- Peninsula Center
 Secondary Plan



Municipal Planning Strategy

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Quinpool Road Commercial Secondary Plan

- Adopted by Council July 31, 1986
- Encourages mixed commercial / residential development
- Establishes Height of 45 feet

Peninsula Centre Secondary Plan

- Adopted by Council July 16, 1981
- Designated as Medium Density Residential

Land Use By-law

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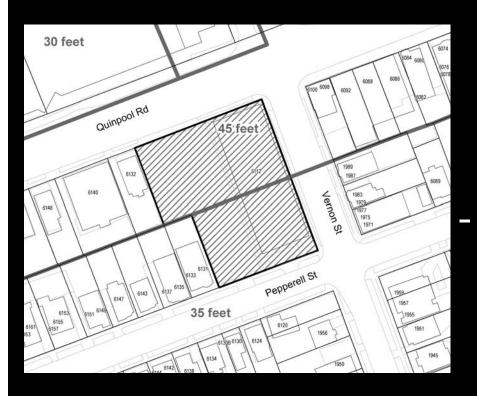
C-2 Zone(General Business)

- Permits a variety of Commercial and Residential Uses
- No Lot Coverage or Setback Requirements for Commercial Uses
- Angle Controls apply to Multiple Unit Residential Uses
- Residential density limited to 125 persons per acre

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Height Precincts



- 45 feet (Quinpool Road)
 - Height measured to the top of the building
- 35 feet (Pepperell Street)
 - Height measured to the commencement of the top floor.



Rational for Amendments the MPS

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- Land Use By-law requirements are too restrictive
- The Municipal Planning Strategy does not allow site specific considerations
- The planning documents do not reflect outcomes of the past public workshops
- Area could benefit from an increased density
- Height does not reflect the zone or surrounding area



Proposed Amendments to the Municipal Planning Strategy

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Amendments to the MPS are required to address:

- Building Height Exceeding 45 feet
- Allow the Consideration of a Development Agreement to vary requirements of the LUB including:
 - Angle controls
 - Setback Requirements
 - Density



Proposed Amendments to the Municipal Planning Strategy

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<u>Proposed Amendments to the MPS</u> <u>focus on:</u>

- Appropriate Transition to Pepperell Street
- Pedestrian Friendly Atmosphere
- Good Architectural Design
- Mix of Residential Units



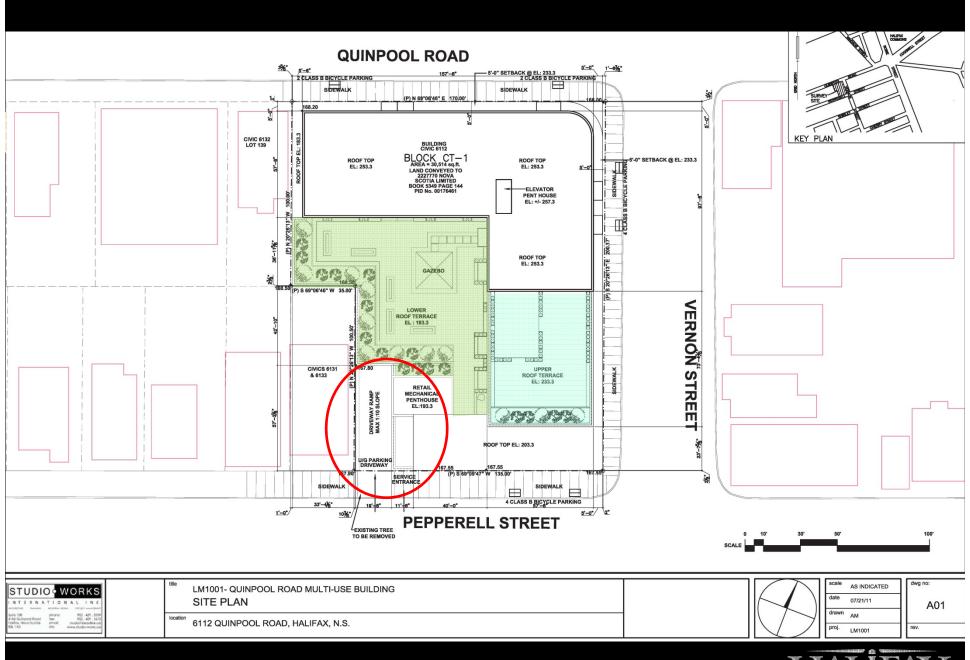
Proposed Development Agreement

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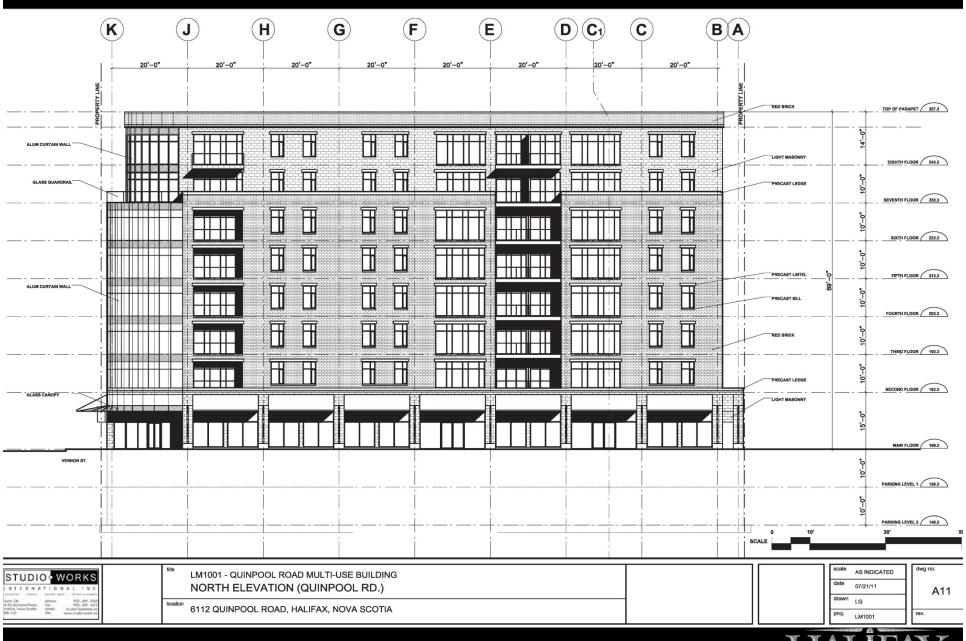
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<u>Proposed Development Agreement</u> <u>would permit:</u>

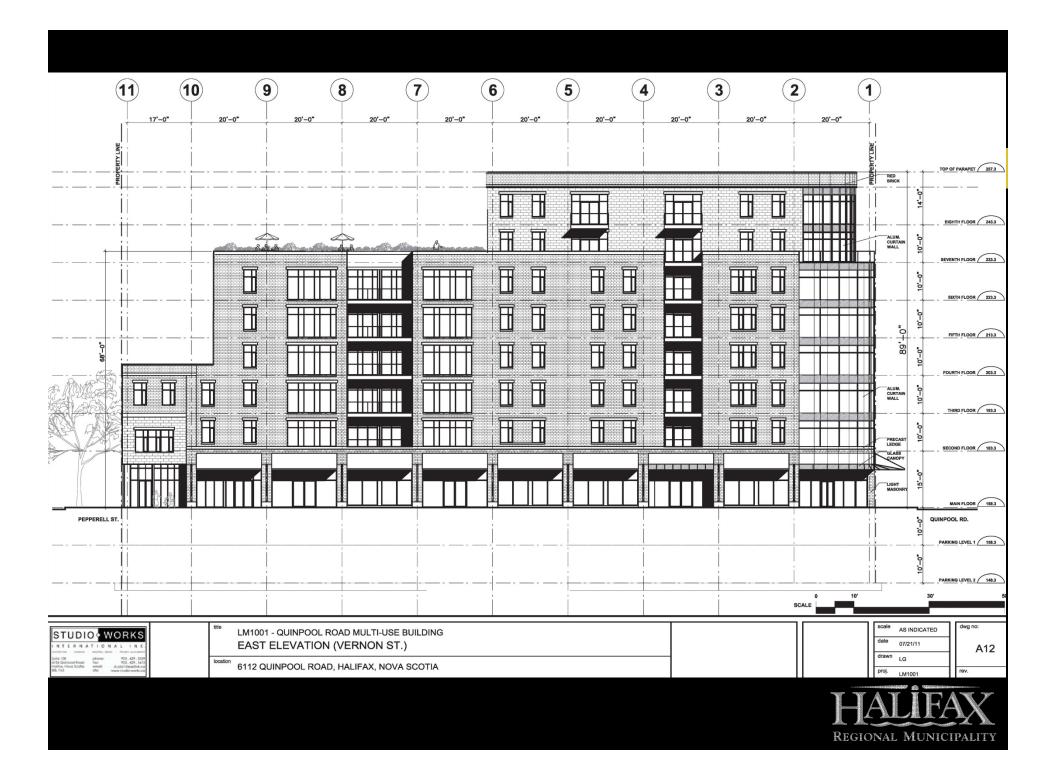
- C-2C Zone Uses
- A maximum of 81 Residential Units
- 13, 436 square feet of Amenity Space
- 2 levels of Underground Parking
- Building to be Terraced to Reduce Height Towards Pepperell Street

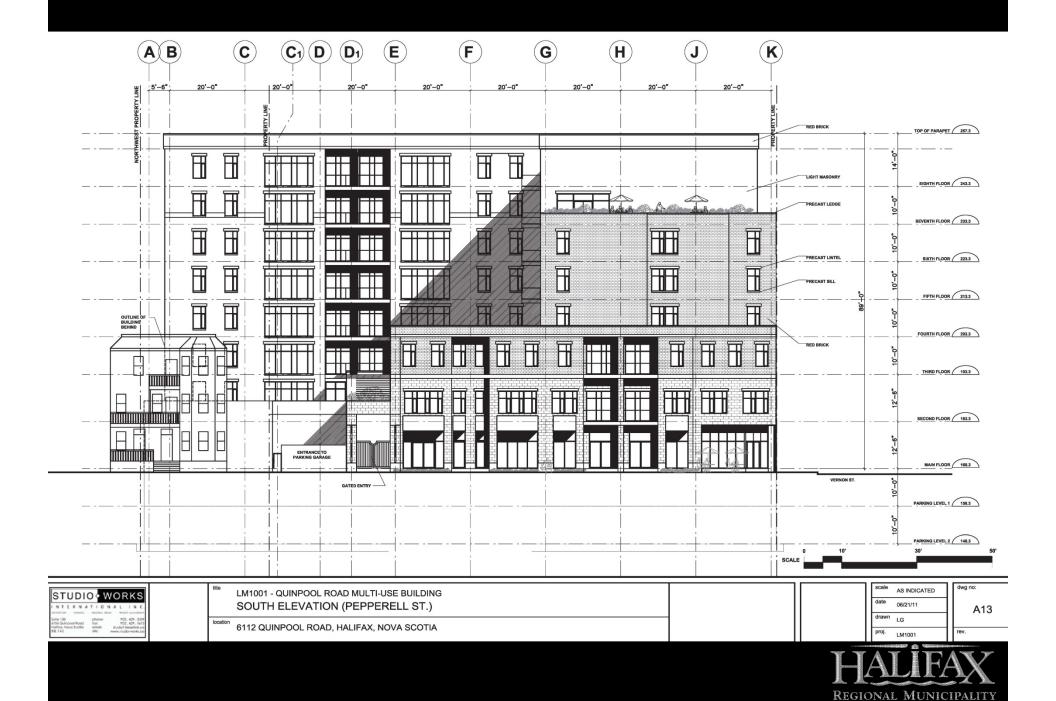


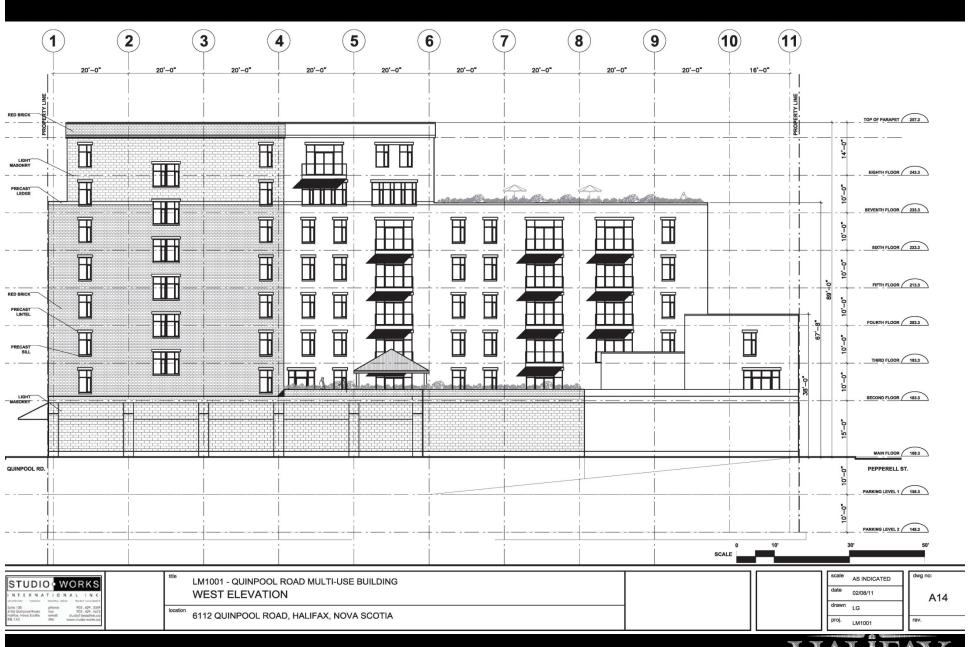














Recommendation

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Staff recommend that
Regional Council approve the proposed amendments to the Municipal Planning
Strategy for Halifax to allow consideration of a mixed use building by development agreement at
6112 Quinpool Road

