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ART SPACE LANDSCAPING PROJECT:

MIKE WABERSKI, 787-0300:

Re 8ft. by 99ft. planter complex:

Round the north west corner of the planter, to prevent truck scares.

Insulate the entire cement planter, with solid foam sheets, to protect plant roots from the cold of winter, as well as the heat of summer.

Good drainage at the bottom of the planter, gravel in the very bottom, and holes thru the cement.

Good soil mix, screened topsoil, sand, peat moss or well rotted manure; topdress yearly with bonemeal and compost, or fertilizer; add more soil as it settles.

Mulch around trees and shrubs, to keep out weeds, conserve water; plastic under bark, gravel, stones, or old poplar sawdust. Ground covers, evergreen or deciduous may also be used. Dense annual plantings the first 5 years would also help keep weeds at bay, lots of early hoeing.

Labels for all trees, shrubs, perennials, and bulbs would help all caretakers involved in maintenance.

An automatic water system, drip irrigation would insure healthy plants and cut down on labour, just check for clogging or any other problems. A path, for maintenance people to work in the beds would be nice; stepping stones, old sawdust, or gravel would be suitable.

Future could include a nice lighting of the trees and plants, system.

#### OTHER AREAS:

We suggest NOT placing a hugh fir tree on the southeast corner of the main parking lot, because of the enormous root system could create many other problems, such as interfering with the sewer system under the street. It would be suitable down at the derek, with more space.

We would suggest benches incorporated in all the small planting areas for people to set and enjoy all the landscaping done! Hopefully, very vandal proof.

MAINTENENCE: PLEASE, NO SALT ON THE FLOWER BEDS, or TREES and SHRUBS!

Fertilizer will work just as well on ice if required!

Circles of steel or plastic, or heavy edgings to control all agresive plants, like ground covers.

COLOUR SCHEME: to match the building:

RED leafed trees and shrubs, Blue spruce, gray leafed shrubs and perennials; White leafed or flowered shrubs, or perennials; contrasting green trees and shrubs, some turning brillant reds and golds in fall;

Annuals in shades of wine, reds, pinks, purples, contrastings in blue, white, and yellows.

ARTSPACE LANDSCAPING PROJECT SUGGESTIONS from NORTH PEACE HORTICULTURAL SOC.

YEAR ONE: plant trees and shrubs, fill entire area with annuals, with exception of ground cover for steep area. Keep well weeded. FALL: clean soil of weeds, plant bulbs (lilyhybrids, tulips, narcissus, etc.), iris, some perennials.

~~YEAR TWO: Clean up any winter damage. Plant new perennials where required, fill in with annuals, especially around the tulips. Use a good colour scheme, which may change from year to year!~~

PLANTS SUGGESTED:

TREES: Small growing, attractive, hardy varieties such as: Mayday, Flowering Crabapples, Plums, Chokecherries, or saskatoons; Mountain Ash, Weeping Birch, Maples, etc; Evergreens, such as BLUE SPRUCE, Mugho pine, Cedar, Junipers, Green Spruce, etc. Mountain Larch is a lovely tree also. In 20 years time some may require moving to a park.

SHRUBS: Potintilla, Golden Elder, Cotoneaster, Mock orange, Lilac hybrid, Cranberry, Double Flowering Plum or Almond, Golden Flame and other Spireas, Sea Buckthorn, Golden Bark Willow, Red or Yellow Stemmed Dogwood, Silveredged Dogwood, Astilbe, Blueberries, and many more.

EVERGREEN SHRUBS: JUNIPER( Skyrocket, Bluechip, Golden Pfitzer), Mugho Pine, Blue Weeping Spruce, Globe Cedar, etc.

VINES: DROPMORE HONEYSUCKLE, CLEMATIS, VIRGINIA CREEPER, in special places, supports or trees.

PERENNIALS:

Tall: Golden Glow, Heliosis, Delphiniums, Lythrum, Lupins,  
Monkshood, Doronicum Daisy, Loosestrife, Campanula Loddon Anna, etc.

Medium: Hybrid Lilies, Iris, Daylilies, Baby's Breath, Avens,  
Adonis Vernalis, Sea Lavender, Marteaigan Lilies, PEONIES, Mum's,  
Ferns, Hosta's, Bleeding Heart, Columbine, Cinese Lanterns, Achillea  
Cerise Queen, Esther Reed Daisy, Golden Rod, Phlox, Trollius, Coral Bells,  
Sea Holly, Iceland Poppies, Monarda, Hardy Geraniums, TULIPS,  
Daffodils, etc.

LOW: Bulbs: Tarda Tulip, Fritallaria, Crocus, Snowdrops,  
Alliums, Iris, Hybrid LILIES, Lily of the Valley, TULIPS, etc. Primroses,  
Berginia, Balloon Flower, Saxifragia, IBERIUS, Armeria, Pink Pussy Toes,  
Eidelgeiss, Alpine Poppy, Carnations, Pinks, Fernleaf Bleeding Heart,  
Campanula's, Lamb's Ear, SEDUMS, Sweet Williams, THRIFT, Pansies, Viola's,  
Violets, Dwarf Jacob's Tears, Red Shamrock, etc.

GROUND COVERS: SEDUMS all kinds, Shamrocks, Strawberries, Snow  
in Summer, THYME, Violets, Creeping Phlox, Saxifragia,, BLUERUG JUNIPER,  
GOUTWEED, Dwarf Jacob's Tears, etc.

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LOW ANNUALS: Petunias, Pinks, Asters, Ageratum, French Marigolds, California Poppies, Flowering Kale, Clarkia, Verbena, Lobelia, Portulaca, Dusty Millar, Silver Lace, Pansies, Anemone, etc.

Medium ANNUALS: Shirley Poppies, DILL, CALENDULA (yellow), Verbena, AFRICAN MARIGOLD (yellow), Snapdragons, Lavatera, GERANIUMS, Bachelor Buttons, Chinelle Plants, ASTERS (MINI LADY SERIES, TIGER PAWS, others),

Tall ANNUALS: AUTUMN BEAUTY SUNFLOWER, Hollyhocks, Cosmos, Amaranthus,

ANNUAL GROUNDCOVERS: Nasturtiums, Candytuft, Alyssum, Lobelia, Creeping Zinnia, etc.

EXOTIC PLANTS: sheltered: FUSCHIAS, Oriental Lilies, Calla Lilies, Dahlias, Gladiolus, Miniature Roses, Tea Roses, etc.

PROPOSALS FROM NORTH PEACE HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY:

To help with planting of materials and mapping.

To donate some plant materials from various members, and local individuals such as: Hardy Perennials, Shrubs, Lily bulbs,

Tulip bulbs, etc. NOT ALL REQUIRED!

To help make LABELS for all permanent trees, shrubs, perennials, and bulbs.

To help with planning landscaping of 8ft. by 99ft. cement planter; with suggestions, recommendations, and proposals.

We would like to see trees and shrubs in place by spring 1992. We recommend mostly ANNUALS to fill in the beds next spring and summer ,1992. The fall of 1992 could include planting of BULBS, tulips, hardy lilies, daffodils, etc. SPRING1993 could be perennial plantings, as well as annuals.

The City of Fort St. John must look after maintainence! Weeds should be kept clean, watering should be checked, soil and mulches should be replaced as required. Pruning and fertilizing should be on a regular schedule. We should all WORK together! A budget required.

#### SOURCES OF PLANT MATERIALS:

DONATIONS from Greenhouses, SPONSORED by Local Clubs or Businesses, DONATIONS from private citizens, if suitable. For example: a Blue Spruce Tree that has become too large for a front yard in town, a tree mover donating his time to remove it, and the city donating dirt to the home owner to fill the hole left. This is team work!

Bedding Plant Spacing recommended by PEACE RIVER GREENHOUSES:

For every 2½ feet, plant 3 rows of annuals, space 6 inches apart.

Use low plants in front, medium plants in the centre area, and taller plants in the back. For a space 2½ feet by 100 feet, plants

required would be 600, or 100 6pac's. depending on the size of

tree's and shrub's planted, we would be looking at about 1800

annual plants to fill in the gaps the first few years, or 300

6pacs of annuals. Tree's and shrubs could cost from \$1500 to

\$2000. Annuals will cost from \$500 to \$900, depending on what

is ordered, and where they are ordered.

PEACE RIVER GREENHOUSES would like to bid on any and all of the above. They will offer wholesale prices on bedding plants, and they will give 25% off of tree's, shrubs, and other plants.