

### HALIFAX PENINSULA PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE **SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES** May 6, 2019

PRESENT: Sarah MacDonald, Chair

Councillor Waye Mason

Jason Genee Mathew Novak Jason Cooke

Councillor Lindell Smith Chloe Berezowski

**REGRETS:** Margo Grant

Adam Pelley

Jeana Macleod, Vice Chair

STAFF:

Ross Grant, Planner I, Planning & Development Mark Inness, Planner II, Planning & Development Luc Ouellet, Planner III, Planning & Development

Hannah Forsyth, Legislative Support, Office of the Municipal Clerk

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The meeting was called to order at 4:36 p.m. and the Committee adjourned at 6:12 p.m.

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order at 4:36 pm at Halifax Hall, 2nd Floor City Hall 1841 Argyle Street, Halifax NS.

- 2. COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS NONE
- 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES NONE
- 4. APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF BUSINESS AND APPROVAL OF ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS

MOVED by Jason Cooke, seconded by Councillor Waye Mason

THAT the agenda be approved as presented.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

- 5. CALL FOR DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTERESTS NONE
- 6. CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS April 29, 2019
- 6.1 Regional Centre Secondary Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use By-law

The following was before the Committee:

- A staff recommendation report dated April 3, 2019
- Correspondence from Peggy Cameron and Howard Epstein

MOVED by Jason Cooke, seconded by Councillor Lindell Smith

THAT the Halifax Peninsula Planning Advisory Committee recommends that Halifax and West Community Council recommend that Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Give First Reading and schedule a public hearing to consider the Regional Centre Secondary Municipal Planning Strategy and the Regional Centre Land Use By-law, as contained in Attachments A and B of the staff report dated April 3, 2019.
- 2. Give First Reading and schedule a public hearing to consider the proposed amendments to the Halifax Municipal Planning Strategy, and the Halifax Peninsula Land Use By-law, as contained in Attachments I to J-2.
- 3. Adopt the Regional Centre Secondary Municipal Planning Strategy, and the Regional Centre Land Use By-law, as contained in Attachments A and B.
- 4. Adopt the proposed amendments to the Halifax Municipal Planning Strategy, and the Halifax Peninsula Land Use By-law, as contained in Attachments I to J-2.

The Committee continued their discussion of the Regional Centre Secondary Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use By-law from their April 29, 2019 meeting. Members discussed the impacts of the Plan on corridor zones and heritage properties. The Chair read comments from Committee members that were unable to attend. Members discuss design requirements, accessibility language in the document, and current proposals conforming to Centre Plan requirements.

MOVED by Chloe Berezowski, seconded by Jason Genee

THAT the motion be amended that the Halifax Peninsula Planning Advisory Committee further recommends that Halifax and West Community Council consider the following:

 Design requirements include specifics for proposal/application renderings submitted for review.

- Include baseline values for indicators upon adoption of plan, where possible.
- Give priority to infill, renovation, adaptive re-use, and sustainable building design.
- Additional performance indicators for "human scale" core concept (only indicator noted now is dollars invested in public art, indicator 2.1).
- Introduce incentives for ongoing proposals to conform with Centre Plan requirements.
- Consider ensuring consistent language throughout the document to include pedestrian rather than only walking and consider defining pedestrian in an inclusive way.
- Support further clarification to ensure single-unit dwellings with appropriate bedroom counts in appropriate areas.

#### MOTION TO AMEND PUT AND PASSED.

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#### MOTION AS AMENDED PUT AND PASSED.

#### 7. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS

The Legislative Support noted that correspondence was received for Item 6.1 and distributed to members.

- 8. ADDED ITEMS NONE
- 9. DATE OF NEXT REGULAR MEETING May 27, 2019

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## **10. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 6:12 p.m.

Hannah Forsyth Legislative Support