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Item No. 12.2.1 Transportation Standing Committee July 27, 2023

TO: Chair and Members of Transportation Standing Committee

SUBMITTED BY:

Hugh Millward, Chair, Active Transportation Advisory Committee

DATE: June 15, 2023

SUBJECT: Windsor Street Exchange Redesign

ORIGIN

June 15, 2023 meeting of Active Transportation Advisory Committee, Item 7.3.1.

THAT the Active Transportation Advisory Committee recommends that the Transportation Standing Committee direct the Chief Administrative Officer to prepare a staff report on the Windsor Street Exchange redesign to include:

- a. Separated and wide sidewalks;
- b. Separated and protected bicycle lanes;
- c. Dedicated transit-only lanes for people using public transit;
- d. Protected intersections that are safe for all vulnerable road users; and
- e. Design for 40 KPH traffic speeds

MOTION AS AMENDED PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY

Active Transportation Advisory Committee Terms of Reference, section 2 Mandate:

The mandate of the Active Transportation Advisory Committee is to advise the Transportation Standing Committee on all matters relating to active transportation in Halifax Regional Municipality, using the Active Transportation Plan as a guide.

2.1 The committee will provide timely advice to the Transportation Standing Committee on matters relating

to budget, infrastructure, education, policy and public awareness.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Transportation Standing Committee direct the Chief Administrative Officer to prepare a staff report on the Windsor Street Exchange redesign to include:

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BACKGROUND

At the June 15, 2023 meeting of the Active Transportation Advisory Committee, the Committee received a presentation from Walk 'n Roll Halifax on the redesign of the Windsor Street Exchange.

DISCUSSION

The Committee considered a presentation on the redesign of Windsor Street Exchange that emphasized the importance of the inclusion of people with diverse mobility needs including walking, biking and transit be considered during the redesign. The Committee passed a motion requesting the Chief Administrative Officer to prepare a staff report on the Windsor Street Exchange redesign to include five key recommendations as outlined in the motion.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

No financial implications at this time.

RISK CONSIDERATION

No risk considerations were identified.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

The Active Transportation Advisory Committee is comprised of eleven citizen members and one Councillor. Meetings are live webcast on Halifax.ca. The agenda, reports, video, and minutes of the Committee are posted on Halifax.ca.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

No environmental implications were identified.

ALTERNATIVES

The Active Transportation Advisory Committee did not provide alternatives. The Transportation Standing Committee could choose not to approve the recommendation.

<u>ATTACHMENTS</u>		
None.		

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