



**HALIFAX REGIONAL COUNCIL
MINUTES
November 14, 2017**

PRESENT:

Mayor Mike Savage
Deputy Mayor Wayne Mason
Councillors: Steve Streach
David Hendsbee
Bill Karsten
Lorelei Nicoll
Sam Austin
Tony Mancini
Lindell Smith
Shawn Cleary
Russell Walker
Stephen Adams
Richard Zurawski
Matt Whitman
Lisa Blackburn
Steve Craig
Tim Outhit

STAFF:

Jacques Dubé, Chief Administrative Officer
John Traves, Municipal Solicitor
Kevin Arjoon, Municipal Clerk
Liam MacSween, Legislative Assistant
Krista Vining, Legislative Assistant

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The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m. Council moved into an In Camera (In Private) session at 2:15 p.m. and reconvened in public at 6:00 p.m. Council recessed at 9:53 p.m. and reconvened at 10:02 p.m. Council convened back into In Camera (In Private) at 10:08 p.m. and reconvened in public at 10:55 p.m. Council adjourned at 10:58 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. and Council stood for a moment of reflection.

2. SPECIAL COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS & ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Councillors noted a number of special community announcements and acknowledgements. Regional Council requested that letters of condolence from the Mayor's Office be sent to the families of Ron Davis and Eddy Dodge.

SELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR

Kevin Arjoon, Municipal Clerk provided an overview of the selection of Deputy Mayor process.

Mayor Savage thanked Deputy Mayor Steve Craig for serving HRM in the position over the past year.

Deputy Mayor Craig thanked Mayor Savage and members of Council.

Mayor Savage opened the floor for nominations for the position of Deputy Mayor

MOVED by Councillor Blackburn, seconded by Councillor Zurawski

THAT Councillor Wayne Mason be nominated as Deputy Mayor of the Halifax Regional Municipality.

The Mayor called three times for further nominations. There were no further nominations.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

Councillor Wayne Mason was acclaimed as Deputy Mayor of the Halifax Regional Municipality.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – October 17, 2017

MOVED by Councillor Walker, seconded by Councillor Whitman

THAT the minutes of October 17, 2017 be approved as circulated.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

4. APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF BUSINESS AND APPROVAL OF ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS

Additions:

17.1 Audit and Finance Standing Committee – Various Contracts, Integrated Mobility Plan

17.2 Councillor Blackburn – Include Springfield Lake Recreation Centre in Turf Reserve Fund

16. In Camera (IN PRIVATE)

16.3 Intergovernmental Relations

A matter pertaining to any subject, the discussion of which could, violate the confidentiality of information Obtaining from another body of government, or a public body.

16.3.1 Intergovernmental Relations Matter – Verbal Update – Private and Confidential

Information Items

5. Proclamation – World Pancreatic Cancer Day – November 16, 2017

6. Proclamation – Transgender Day – November 20, 2017

7. Proclamation – Techsploration – November 24, 2017

For scheduling reasons, the Mayor requested that item No. 16.3.1 Intergovernmental Relations Matter – Verbal Update – Private and Confidential, and all remaining In Camera (In Private) agenda items be dealt with at 2:15 p.m., to which Council agreed.

MOVED by Councillor Whitman, seconded by Councillor Streach

THAT the agenda be approved as amended.

Two-third majority vote required.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

5. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES – NONE

6. CALL FOR DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTERESTS – NONE

7. MOTIONS OF RECONSIDERATION – NONE

8. MOTIONS OF RESCISSION – NONE

9. CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS – NONE

10. NOTICES OF TABLED MATTERS – NONE

11. PUBLIC HEARINGS – 6:00 P.M.

11.1 Administrative Order 50 Disposal of Surplus Property – Community Interest, 1018 Fall River Road, Fall River

This matter was addressed later in the meeting, see page 4.

12. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS

12.1 Correspondence

The Clerk noted that correspondence was received for items 13.1, 14.1.3, and Information Item No. 4. This correspondence was circulated to Council.

For a detailed list of correspondence received refer to the specific agenda item.

12.2 Petitions

12.2.1 Councillor Streach

Councillor Streach submitted a petition containing 2050 signatures in support of a more compact, higher density proposal for the former Carr Farm situated at 1109, 1075 and 1085 Fall River Road, Fall River (Case 20594).

12.3 Presentation - Halifax Public Libraries – Facilities Master Plan

The following was before Council:

- Halifax Public Libraries presentation

Åsa Kachan, Chief Librarian/Chief Executive Officer of Halifax Public Libraries and Terry Gallagher, Director of Facilities and Finance, Halifax Public Libraries provided a presentation with respect to the Facilities Master Plan for Halifax Public Libraries.

In response to concerns raised by members of Regional Council, Kachan and Gallagher provided clarification on the following:

- The community consultation process undertaken by staff when proposing upgrades to existing facilities.
- Ongoing planning in relation to expanding and enhancing the Keshen Goodman Library in Clayton Park.
- The potential for upgrades to the Sackville Public Library, pending a final decision on a new library for Bedford.
- Challenges and opportunities with respect to acquiring suitable library facilities in rural areas of HRM.

Council convened to In Camera at 2:15 p.m.

Council reconvened in public at 6:00 p.m. to deal with the Public Hearing (Item 11.1).

11.1 Administrative Order 50 Disposal of Surplus Property – Community Interest, 1018 Fall River Road, Fall River

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation/information report dated September 25, 2017
- An extract of draft Regional Council minutes – October 17, 2017
- Staff presentation

Peta-Jane Temple, Team Lead Grants & Contributions, Finance & Asset Management reviewed the terms and conditions set out in Table 1, page 5 of the staff report dated September 25, 2017, to consider the sale of PID 00507459, property located at 1018 Fall River Road, Fall River, to the Fall River Minor Football Association.

Mayor Savage opened the public hearing and invited the applicant to come forward and address Council.

Ian Avery, President of the Fall River Minor Football Association thanked Council on behalf of the association for opportunity to purchase property.

Mayor Savage reviewed the rules of procedure for public hearings, calling three times for speakers to come forward; there were none.

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Mason, seconded by Councillor Nicoll

THAT the public hearing be closed.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

MOVED by Councillor Streach, seconded by Councillor Hendsbee

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

1. Approve the sale of PID 00507459 1018 Fall River Road, Fall River, to the Fall River Minor Football Association as per the proposed terms and conditions set out in Table 1 of the staff report dated September 25, 2017; and
2. Authorize the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to enter into an Agreement of Purchase and Sale with the Fall River Minor Football Association as per the terms and conditions set out in Table 1 dated September 25, 2017.

Two-third majority vote required.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

13. INFORMATION ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD – November 14, 2017

13.1 Councillor Cleary – Case 18966 – Amendments to the Halifax Municipal Planning Strategy (MPS) and the Halifax Peninsula Land Use By-Law (LUB) for 6009 and 6017 Quinpool Road, Halifax

The following was before Council:

- A request for Council consideration form from Councillor Cleary
- A staff supplementary information report dated November 7, 2017 (Information Item #4 from the November 14, 2017 Information Items Agenda)
- Correspondence from Margie Macdonald, Bob Conrad, Janet Shotwell, Andrea Arbic, Judy Haiven, Liz MacDougall, Kathy Moggridge, Ian Porter, Sheila Cole, Steve Parcell, Anthony Edwards, Janet M. Stevenson, Mary-Jo MacKay, Gwen Davies, Candace Stevenson, Dr. Rebecca A. Jamieson, Sara Kirk, Karen Robinson, Sheila Fougere, Neil Ritchie, Alex Livingston, Dr. Ian G. Stuart, Friedmann Brauer, Joan Fraser, Cliff White, Marlene Coffey, Archie MacLean, Elizabeth Precious, HM Epstein, JW Beveridge, Kristine McCutcheon, and Judith Fingard.

Carl Purvis, Program Manager, Current Planning provided a brief timeline, and noted that since Council gave first reading, and directed staff to schedule a public hearing; staff have been in discussion with the applicant. Purvis indicated that the applicant has advised that it was of limited value to proceed to a public hearing. The applicant has proposed a new concept that would meet their financial needs and retains the podium heights, transitions, setbacks, stepbacks, and floor plate dimensions of the original proposal, while reducing the overall height by four (4) floors to a total of 25 storeys.

Council considered their options:

- proceed with the public hearing under the policy which limits the building height to 20 storeys
- direct staff to prepare amendments to the proposed Municipal Planning Strategy policy to reflect the 25 storey height and 750 sq. ft. minimum unit size as proposed by the applicant; Council would need to give first reading to the amended policy and schedule a public hearing
- postpone moving forward with the public hearing; application would remain in an indeterminate state

MOVED by Councillor Cleary, seconded by Councillor Craig

THAT Regional Council, waive the notice of motion, as permitted by section 49 (1) of Administrative Order 1, in order to introduce a motion with respect to Case 18966 – Amendments to the Halifax Municipal Planning Strategy (MPS) and the Halifax Peninsula Land Use By-Law (LUB) for 6009 and 6017 Quinpool Road, Halifax.

Two-third majority vote required.

MOTION TO WAIVE NOTICE OF MOTION WAS PUT AND PASSED. (13 in favour, 4 against)

In favour: Mayor Savage, Councillors Streach, Hendsbee, Karsten, Austin, Mancini, Cleary, Walker, Adams, Zurawski, Whitman, Craig and Outhit

Against: Deputy Mayor Mason, Councillors Nicoll, Smith and Blackburn

In consultation with the Municipal Solicitor, Council agreed to postpone further discussion at this time to allow Legal and the Municipal Clerk to provide clarity around the wording for a motion to give first reading should the motion to waive notice of motion be approved.

Council continued their discussion later in the meeting, see page 12.

14. REPORTS

14.1 CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

14.1.1 2018-19 Multi-year Budget Process and Consultation Plan (Supplementary Report)

The following was before Council:

- A supplementary staff report dated November 7, 2017

MOVED by Councillor Smith, seconded by Councillor Nicoll

THAT Halifax Regional Council direct staff to:

- 1. Adopt the Capital Plan and Budget process as outlined in the supplementary staff report dated November 7, 2017, and**
- 2. Proceed with the 2018/19 Budget and Business Plan consultation as per the schedule included in Attachment A of the supplementary staff report dated November 7, 2017 with the understanding that some dates may change throughout the process.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

14.1.2 Increase to Contract, Q17L345 Titus Smith Park – Supply and Installation of Performance Stage

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated November 7, 2017

MOVED by Councillor Walker, seconded by Councillor Austin

THAT Halifax Regional Council approve an increase of \$29,283 (net HST included) from project account #CP000002 – Park Upgrades, as outlined in the Financial Implications section of the staff report dated November 7, 2017.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

14.1.3 First Reading Proposed By-Law B-203, an Amendment By-Law B-201, Respecting the Building Code – Incentives for Affordable Housing Projects

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated October 31, 2017
- Correspondence from Ross A. Cantwell, President of the Nova Scotia Housing Trust

The following motion was placed on the floor with a friendly amendment to request the Mayor write a letter to the Province of Nova Scotia.

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Mason, seconded by Councillor Smith

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

1. Give First Reading to the amendments to By-law B-201, the Building By-law, as set out in Attachment C of the staff report dated October 31, 2017, to exempt building permit fees for developments proposed by not-for-profit organizations or charities that include affordable units.
2. Request that the Mayor write the Province of Nova Scotia a letter to request an *HRM Charter* amendment to allow for a special tax rate that will allow not for profits to be taxed a lower rate depending on a list of variables and or multi-year tax relief.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

14.2 COMMUNITY PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STANDING COMMITTEE

14.2.1 Changes to “Welcomed in Halifax” Program Criteria

The following was before Council:

- A recommendation report submitted by the Chair of the Community Planning and Economic Development Standing Committee dated October 27, 2017 with attached staff report dated July 20, 2017

MOVED by Councillor Nicoll, seconded by Councillor Craig

THAT Halifax Regional Council direct staff to:

1. Draft amendments to By-law U-100, the User Charges By-law, to permit the waiver of transit fees for up to one year for asylum seekers and claimants with rejected claims and return to Council at a later date with such amendments for further consideration; and
2. Provide for the waiver of recreation fees for up to one year for asylum seekers and claimants with rejected claims within the Recreation Fee Study project.

Members expressed concern with not offering the same programs to new Canadians for the first year. The Chief Administrative Officer recognized this need and explained that this would be addressed in a report coming to Council for consideration and approval regarding the recreation programming fee structure.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

14.3 EXECUTIVE STANDING COMMITTEE

14.3.1 Proposed Amendment to Administrative Order One, Respecting the Procedure of the Council – Public Presentations

The following was before Council:

- A recommendation report submitted by the Chair of the Executive Standing Committee dated October 23, 2017 with attached staff report dated October 10, 2017

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Mason, seconded by Councillor Zurawski

THAT Halifax Regional Council adopt the amendments to Administrative Order One, the Procedures of the Council Administrative Order, with respect to sections 19 Agenda Review, section 44 Requests for Presentation and section 45 Presentations, as set out in Attachment 2 to the October 10, 2017 report.

MOVED by Councillor Austin, seconded by Councillor Mancini

THAT Halifax Regional Council adopt the amendments to Administrative Order One, with the following further amendments:

1. Section 8 of Attachment 2 is amended by:

(a) deleting subsection 4B and adding a new subsection 4B as follows:

(4B) After questions of clarification, a Member may move a motion on a matter arising from the presentation.

(b) deleting subsections 4C, 4D, and 4E;

(c) renumbering subsection 4F as subsection 4D; and

(d) adding subsection 4C as follows:

(4D) Notice of motion is not required for a motion arising from the presentation.

2. Adding section 9 to Attachment 2 as follows:

9. Clause ga of subsection 2 of section 50 is added after clause g and before clause h as follows:

(ga) a motion arising from a presentation pursuant to section 45.

MOTION TO AMEND PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

The motion before Council now reads:

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Mason, seconded by Councillor Zurawski

THAT Halifax Regional Council adopt the amendments to Administrative Order One, *the Procedures of the Council Administrative Order*, with respect to sections 19 Agenda Review, section 44 Requests for Presentation and section 45 Presentations, as set out in Attachment 2 to the October 10, 2017 report, with the following amendments:

1. Section 8 of Attachment 2 is amended by:

(a) deleting subsection 4B and adding a new subsection 4B as follows:

(4B) After questions of clarification, a Member may move a motion on a matter arising from the presentation.

(b) deleting subsections 4C, 4D, and 4E;

(c) renumbering subsection 4F as subsection 4D; and

(d) adding subsection 4C as follows:

(4D) Notice of motion is not required for a motion arising from the presentation.

2. Adding section 9 to Attachment 2 as follows:

9. Clause ga of subsection 2 of section 50 is added after clause g and before clause h as follows:

(ga) a motion arising from a presentation pursuant to section 45.

MOTION AS AMENDED PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

14.4 ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY STANDING COMMITTEE

14.4.1 Options to Reduce Textiles in the Landfill

The following was before Council:

- A recommendation report submitted by the Chair of the Environment and Sustainability Standing Committee dated November 2, 2017 with attached staff report dated September 20, 2017

MOVED by Councillor Mancini, seconded by Councillor Nicoll

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

1. Direct staff to issue a Request for an Expression of Interest to identify not-for profit and social enterprise organizations with whom HRM may partner through the use of the Halifax Recycles App in order to expand and enhance the diversion of textiles from the landfill; and

2. Direct staff to work with industry, charities, not for profits, social enterprises and other government agencies to increase the profile of textile recycling and promote consistent messaging for drop-off bins and the recycling of textiles.

Members spoke in support of the program to reduce textiles going into the landfill.

During the discussion, Mayor Savage stepped down as Chair and Deputy Mayor Mason assumed the Chair. Mayor Savage returned the Chair prior to the vote being taken, and the Deputy Mayor took their seat.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

14.5 TRANSPORTATION STANDING COMMITTEE

14.5.1 On-Street Parking for Carshare Vehicles

The following was before Council:

- A recommendation report submitted by the Chair of the Transportation Standing Committee dated October 27, 2017 with attached staff report dated August 18, 2017

MOVED by Councillor Outhit, seconded by Councillor Nicoll

THAT Halifax Regional Council direct the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) to include provision in amendments to By-law P-1000 to:

- 1. Create designated parking spaces and associated permits for operators of non-station-based carshare vehicles;**
- 2. Include all carshare vehicles as being eligible for residential parking exemptions; and**
- 3. Allow station based carshare vehicles to have their home-based parking designated on-street.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

14.5.2 Alderney Ferry Schedule Adjustments

The following was before Council:

- A recommendation report submitted by the Chair of the Transportation Standing Committee dated October 27, 2017 with attached staff report dated September 11, 2017

MOVED by Councillor Austin, seconded by Councillor Mancini

THAT Halifax Regional Council approve that the additional service that was introduced on the Alderney – Halifax ferry service for The Big Lift project be retained until the end of 2017/18, and that these trips be rescheduled with the quarterly service adjustment date February 19, 2018 to provide a 15 minute frequency during the weekday midday period instead of during the evening period, as outlined in Attachment A of the September 11, 2017 staff report.

MOVED by Councillor Mancini, seconded by Councillor Whitman

That the motion be amended to delete February 19, 2018 and replace with *revised service to commence immediately.*

Council discussed the amendment with staff explaining the technical difficulties and challenges to implement the changes prior to the service adjustment date. They estimated that that the process could take approximately 10 weeks to implement.

Members recognized the need to wait until the transit schedule could be correctly displayed rather than having incorrect information which could cause confusion and passengers missing transit connections.

With the information provided by members and staff, the mover and seconder agreed to **withdraw the amendment.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Cleary

14.6 HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

14.6.1 Heritage Incentive Program Funding - 2146 Brunswick Street, Halifax

The following was before Council:

- A recommendation report submitted by the Vice Chair of Heritage Advisory Committee dated October 30, 2017 with attached staff report dated September 27, 2017

MOVED by Councillor Hendsbee, seconded by Councillor Whitman

THAT Halifax Regional Council approve the recommended grant of 50% of eligible costs, to a maximum of \$7,233, for 2146 Brunswick Street, Halifax (Attachment A of the September 27, 2017 Staff Report), conditional upon the applicants' compliance with Section 29 through 35 of Administrative Order Number 2014-002-ADM.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Cleary

14.7 MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

14.7.1 Councillor Mancini – Review of Administrative Order 52 – Code of Conduct for Elected Officials

The following was before Council:

- A request for Council consideration form from Councillor Mancini

MOVED by Councillor Mancini, seconded by Councillor Smith

THAT Regional Council request a staff report on a review of Administrative Order 52: Code of Conduct for Elected Officials to include, but not be limited to, consideration of:

- 1. Requirement for an annual review, discussion and signing of the document by elected officials.**
- 2. Review section IV Member Responsibilities, specifically regarding 13. Interpersonal Behaviour and 14. Community Representation, to provide clear and unambiguous expectations.**
- 3. Periodic review of Administrative Order 52 (i.e. every 4 years) for consideration of potential amendments.**
- 4. Ask the Province to provide an update of the 2016 request to initiate legislative changes to the HRM Charter allowing for the ability to censure Members of Council by remitting remuneration for violations to AO 52, Code of Conduct for Municipal Officials.**
- 5. Creation of an Integrity Commissioner position for HRM to conduct the investigation and provide a report to Regional Council once a breach of Administrative Order 52 has been reported.**

Council considered the motion with some members expressing concern with recommendations 1 and 5. Council agreed to separate the motion and vote on each recommendation. Members discussed whether there was a need to create an Integrity Commissioner position. Those who supported the position, suggested having the individual on retainer to seek advice when needed, as opposed to creating a full-time position.

Members also questioned the need to review and sign a code of conduct annually, suggesting a review could be done at any time or every four (4) years following the election. Those who supported a review, commented on enhancing the document to provide more information and clarity.

Discussion was also held on asking the Province to initiate legislative changes to the HRM Charter (Recommendation 3) and whether this was needed at this time.

The motion was split:

THAT Regional Council request a staff report on a review of Administrative Order 52: Code of Conduct for Elected Officials to include, but not be limited to, consideration of:

1. Requirement for an annual review, discussion and signing of the document by elected officials.

MOTION PUT AND DEFEATED. (5 in favour, 12 against)

In favour: Deputy Mayor Mason, Councillors Mancini, Smith, Cleary and Craig

Against: Mayor Savage, Councillors Streach, Hendsbee, Karsten, Nicoll, Austin, Walker, Adams, Zurawski, Whitman, Blackburn and Outhit

2. Review section IV Member Responsibilities, specifically regarding 13. Interpersonal Behaviour and 14. Community Representation, to provide clear and unambiguous expectations.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED. (10 in favour, 7 against)

In favour: Mayor Savage, Deputy Mayor Mason, Councillors Karsten, Nicoll, Mancini, Smith, Cleary, Blackburn, Craig and Outhit

Against: Councillors Streach, Hendsbee, Austin, Walker, Adams, Zurawski and Whitman

3. Periodic review of Administrative Order 52 (i.e. every 4 years) for consideration of potential amendments.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED. (14 in favour, 3 against)

In favour: Mayor Savage, Deputy Mayor Mason, Councillors Streach, Karsten, Nicoll, Mancini, Smith, Cleary, Walker, Adams, Whitman, Blackburn, Craig and Outhit

Against: Councillors Hendsbee, Austin and Zurawski

4. Ask the Province to provide an update of the 2016 request to initiate legislative changes to the HRM Charter allowing for the ability to censure Members of Council by remitting remuneration for violations to AO 52, Code of Conduct for Municipal Officials.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED. (9 in favour, 8 against)

In favour: Deputy Mayor Mason, Councillors Karsten, Nicoll, Mancini, Smith, Cleary, Whitman, Craig and Outhit

Against: Mayor Savage, Councillors Streach, Hendsbee, Austin, Walker, Adams, Zurawski and Blackburn

5. Creation of an Integrity Commissioner position for HRM to conduct the investigation and provide a report to Regional Council once a breach of Administrative Order 52 has been reported.

MOTION PUT AND DEFEATED. (6 in favour, 11 against)

In favour: Deputy Mayor Mason, Councillors Mancini, Cleary, Blackburn, Craig and Outhit

Against: Mayor Savage, Councillors Streach, Hendsbee, Karsten, Nicoll, Austin, Smith, Walker, Adams, Zurawski and Whitman

Council continued discussion of Item 13.1 at this time.

13.1 Councillor Cleary – Case 18966 – Amendments to the Halifax Municipal Planning Strategy (MPS) and the Halifax Peninsula Land Use By-Law (LUB) for 6009 and 6017 Quinpool Road, Halifax

Council waived notice of motion earlier in the meeting.

MOVED by Councillor Cleary, seconded by Councillor Craig

THAT Halifax Regional Council give First Reading to consider the proposed amendments to the Municipal Planning Strategy and the Land Use By-law for the Halifax Peninsula, as set out in Attachments A and B of the January 20, 2017 report, with the following exceptions:

- a) the overall height of the development as referenced in 2.10.1(c) of the proposed policy be amended to allow for a building no greater than 78 metres;
- b) the 2 bedroom unit size referred to in 2.10.1(k) of the proposed policy be amended to a minimum of 69.68 sq. metres; and
- c) schedule a public hearing.

Members discussed the proposed building height as it relates to the current policy and whether to proceed forward with a public hearing proposing 20 or 25 storeys. Members who supported the motion spoke to wanting to hear from the public and making changes to the height based on that feedback. Members who were not in support expressed concern with what were acceptable heights with the site, and sustainable growth. The Municipal Solicitor noted that where Regional Council had previously debated and passed a motion to schedule a public hearing to consider a by-law amendment to permit a building of no more than 62 meters on this site, the motion before Council would effectively rescind the previous direction and as a result requires a 2/3 majority vote of Council.

Two-third majority vote required.

MOTION PUT AND DEFEATED. (9 in favour, 8 against)

In favour: Mayor Savage, Councillors Streach, Hendsbee, Karsten, Cleary, Walker, Adams, Whitman and Craig

Against: Deputy Mayor Mason, Councillors Nicoll, Austin, Mancini, Smith, Zurawski, Blackburn and Outhit

At this time, it was MOVED by Deputy Mayor Mason, seconded by Councillor Whitman

To extend the meeting past 10:00 p.m.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

Council recessed at 9:53 p.m. and reconvened at 10:02 p.m.

Added items 17.1 and 17.2 were addressed at this time.

17.1 Audit and Finance Standing Committee – Various Contracts, Integrated Mobility Plan

The following was before Council:

- A recommendation report submitted by the Chair of the Audit and Finance Standing Committee dated November 14, 2017 with attached staff report dated October 26, 2017

MOVED by Councillor Nicoll, seconded by Councillor Karsten

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

1. Approve a contract amendment to McPhail Transportation Planning Services in the amount of \$51,000 to complete work associated with the Integrated Mobility Plan; and,
2. Approve a contract amendment to O2 Planning & Design in the amount of \$61,000 to complete work associated with the Integrated Mobility Plan.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED. (16 in favour, 1 against)

In favour: Mayor Savage, Deputy Mayor Mason, Councillors Streach, Karsten, Nicoll, Austin, Mancini, Smith, Cleary, Walker, Adams, Zurawski, Whitman, Blackburn, Craig and Outhit

Against: Councillor Hendsbee

17.2 Councillor Blackburn – Include Springfield Lake Recreation Centre in Turf Reserve Fund

The following was before Council:

- A request for Council consideration form from Councillor Blackburn

Councillor Blackburn clarified an error in the request for Council consideration form, which should read *Capital Fund Reserve*.

MOVED by Councillor Blackburn, seconded by Councillor Craig

THAT Halifax Regional Council request a staff report requesting that the Springfield Lake Recreation Centre be added to the list of facilities able to access the Capital Fund Reserve.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

15. MOTIONS – NONE

16. IN CAMERA (IN PRIVATE)

Council may rise and go into a private In Camera session, in accordance with Section 19 of the Halifax Regional Municipality Charter, for the purpose of dealing with the following:

16.1 Labour Relations

A matter pertaining to reports, advice and recommendations, instruction or direction to officers and employees of the Municipality concerning labour relations and employee negotiations arising out of the contract or contract negotiations with one of the Municipalities unions.

16.1.1 Halifax Regional Police Association (HRPA) Collective Agreement – *Private and Confidential Report*

This matter was dealt with later in the meeting, see page 14.

16.2 Personnel Matter

A matter pertaining to an identifiable individual or group.

16.2.1 Dealing with Complaints under the Code of Conduct Policy (Administrative Order 52) – *Private and Confidential Report*

This matter was dealt with later in the meeting, see page 15.

16.3 Intergovernmental Relations

A matter pertaining to any subject, the discussion of which could, violate the confidentiality of information Obtaining from another body of government, or a public body.

16.3.1 Intergovernmental Relations Matter – Verbal Update – Private and Confidential

This matter was addressed by In Camera (In Private) Council and no further action is required.

Private and Confidential Information Items

1. Private and Confidential In Camera (In Private) Information Report - re: Administrative Order 50 Disposal of Surplus Property – Community Interest, 1018 Fall River Road, Fall River
2. Private and Confidential In Camera (In Private) Information Report - re: Changes to “Welcomed in Halifax” Program Criteria

17. ADDED ITEMS

17.1 Audit and Finance Standing Committee – Various Contracts, Integrated Mobility Plan

This matter was addressed earlier in the meeting, see page 12.

17.2 Councillor Blackburn – Include Springfield Lake Recreation Centre in Turf Reserve Fund

This matter was addressed earlier in the meeting, see page 13.

18. NOTICES OF MOTION – NONE

MOVED by Councillor Craig, seconded by Councillor Nicoll

To reconvened into In Camera (In Private).

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

Council convened into In Camera (In Private) at 10:08 p.m.
Council reconvened into the public session at 10:55 p.m. without Councillor Whitman in attendance.

Items 16.1.1 and 16.2.1 were ratified at this time.

16.1.1 Halifax Regional Police Association (HRPA) Collective Agreement – *Private and Confidential Report*

This matter was addressed In Camera (In Private) and ratified in public as follows:

MOVED by Councillor Craig, seconded by Councillor Mancini

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

1. Ratify the draft collective agreement attached as Appendix A of the private and confidential report dated November 14, 2017 and authorize the Mayor and Clerk to execute the collective agreement on behalf of the Municipality.
2. Authorize its Chief Negotiator to finalize the collective agreement with the union, provided that the editing process consists only of minor corrections and changes that are not of a substantive nature.
3. It is further recommended that the private and confidential report dated November 14, 2017 not be released to the public.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not Present: Councillor Whitman

**16.2.1 Dealing with Complaints under the Code of Conduct Policy (Administrative Order 52) –
*Private and Confidential Report***

Matter addressed In Camera (In Private) and ratified in public as follows:

MOVED by Councillor Adams, seconded by Councillor Outhit

**THAT Halifax Regional Council undertake group cultural sensitivity training as arranged by the
CAO and the Mayor.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

Not present: Councillor Whitman

19. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:58 p.m.

Kevin Arjoon
Municipal Clerk