

HALIFAX REGIONAL COUNCIL MINUTES July 16, 2019

PRESENT: Mayor Mike Savage

Deputy Mayor Tony Mancini Councillors: Steve Streatch

David Hendsbee

Bill Karsten Lorelei Nicoll Sam Austin Waye Mason Lindell Smith Shawn Cleary Russell Walker Stephen Adams Matt Whitman Lisa Blackburn Tim Outhit

REGRETS: Councillor: Richard Zurawski

STAFF: Jacques Dubé, Chief Administrative Officer

John Traves, Municipal Solicitor Sherryll Murphy, Deputy Clerk Krista Vining, Legislative Assistant Liam MacSween, Legislative Assistant

The following does not represent a verbatim record of the proceedings of this meeting.

The meeting was called to order at 11:00 a.m., Council moved into an In Camera (In Private) session at 11:13 a.m. and reconvened in public at 1:00 p.m. Council recessed at 2:52 p.m. and reconvened at 3:15 p.m. Council convened to an In Camera (In Private) session at 3:53 p.m. and reconvened to public session at 4:05 p.m. Council recessed at 4:16 p.m. and reconvened at 6:00 p.m. Council adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m. and Council stood for a moment of reflection.

2. SPECIAL COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS & ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Councillors noted a number of special community announcements and acknowledgements.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - June 4 and June 18, 2019

MOVED by Councillor Nicoll, seconded by Councillor Whitman

THAT the minutes of June 4 and 18, 2019 be approved as circulated.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

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

Additions:

18.1 Councillor Adams - Herring Cove Water and Wastewater Servicing Phase 4

Information Items:

5. Proclamation - Halifax Pride Festival - July 18-28, 2019

Council agreed to address 5.1.6 Events East Five Year Strategic Plan and 2019-20 Business Plan at 1:00 p.m.

Council agreed to defer item 14.1 Councillor Austin – Municipal Discretionary Tax Relief – Eligibility of Market Leases to the next regular meeting.

Council agreed to move into In Camera (In Private) following item 5 Consent Agenda.

MOVED by Councillor Nicoll, seconded by Councillor Mason

THAT the agenda be approved as amended.

Two-third majority vote required.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

Council agreed to remove items 15.4.1 and 15.5.1 from the consent agenda.

MOVED by Councillor Blackburn, seconded by Councillor Whitman

THAT Halifax Regional Council approve agenda items 13.1.1, 15.1.2, 15.2.1, 15.6.2 and 16.1.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Zurawski

- 6. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES NONE
- 7. CALL FOR DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTERESTS NONE
- 8. MOTIONS OF RECONSIDERATION NONE
- 9. MOTIONS OF RESCISSION NONE
- 10. CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS NONE
- 11. NOTICES OF TABLED MATTERS NONE
- 12. PUBLIC HEARINGS
- 12.1 Case 20520 Amendments to the Halifax Municipal Planning Strategy and Halifax Peninsula Land Use By-law for 6330 and 6324 Quinpool Road, between Oxford Street and Preston Street

The following was before Council:

- An extract of draft minutes from the June 18, 2019 Council meeting
- A report from Halifax and West Community Council dated June 12, 2019 with attached staff report dated May 11, 2019 and Revised Attachment A "Proposed Amendments to the Municipal Planning Strategy for Halifax"
- Correspondence from Matthew Steele, Karla Nicholson, Mark Williams
- A staff presentation dated July 16, 2019
- A presentation from Dexel Development dated July 16, 2019

Jesse Morton, Planner II provided a presentation on Case 20520.

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

Kris Skiba, of Lawen Group Developments provided a presentation on Case 20520. Skiba gave an overview of the building footprint including the addition of barrier free space for retail use on the main level. Skiba advised that loading and garbage collection will take place from within and noted the addition of eighty (80) underground parking spaces available for rent by the public. Skiba concluded by noting the addition of well-lit sidewalks and townhouses, enhanced set backs on Pepperell Street, architectural features and step backs utilized to minimize the impact of the building's massing, and the inclusion of street level features to enhance the pedestrian experience.

Mayor Savage reviewed the rules of procedure for public hearings and opened the public hearing for anyone wishing to speak on the matter.

Margaret Issenman, of Halifax expressed concern with the proposed setbacks on Pepperell Street and requested further clarification. Issenman inquired if the development will be comprised of apartments units or condos and whether affordable housing units will be included. Issenman expressed further concern with the potential impacts of the development on traffic and requested further information on the location of the entrance for parking.

Mayor Savage called three times for any other members of the public wishing to speak on the matter, there were none present.

Mayor Savage invited the applicant to respond to questions raised by the public.

In response to points raised during the public hearing, Skiba, advised of a 1.5 metre setback on Pepperell Street which begins at the base of the building. Skiba further advised of additional setbacks on Quinpool and on the Tower Road portion of the building. With respect to parking, Skiba advised that there will be additional parking on the site and that the removal of the drive-thru which is currently on site will reduce congestion. Skiba concluded by noting that the entrance and exit to the underground parking garage will be located on Pepperell Street and advised that the building will be comprised of market priced apartment units as opposed to condominiums.

MOVED by Councillor Cleary, seconded by Councillor Hendsbee

THAT the public hearing be closed.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

In response to questions from Council, Morton advised that the overall building design has not yet been completed in its entirety, but it will return to Halifax and West Community Council once complete.

In response to a follow up question, Morton advised that staff's estimated Gross Floor Area Ratio (GFAR) figure is estimated at 3.8.

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Karsten

THAT Halifax Regional Council adopt the proposed amendments to the Halifax Municipal Planning Strategy and the Land Use By-law for Halifax Peninsula, as set out in revised Attachment A, included as Attachment 2 of the committee report dated June 12, 2019 and Attachment B of the staff report dated May 11, 2019, to permit by development agreement an 8-storey (plus penthouse), mixed-use building at 6330 and 6324 Quinpool Road, with a 3-storey portion (plus penthouse) facing Pepperell Street, with up to a 3-storey street wall.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillors Streatch, Nicoll, Zurawski

12.2 Case 21115 – Amendments to the Halifax Municipal Planning Strategy and Halifax Peninsula Land Use By-law, and a proposed development agreement to enable a 9 storey building on Quinpool Road and Pepperell Street, near Preston Street

The following was before Council:

- A minute extract from Regional Council May 14, 2019
- A staff recommendation report dated April 11, 2019
- A report from Halifax and West Community Council dated May 8, 2019 with attached staff report dated April 11, 2019 and memo from the Halifax Peninsula Planning Advisory Committee dated June 25, 2018.
- A staff presentation dated July 16, 2019
- A presentation from WSP dated July 16, 2019
- Correspondence from Matthew Steele, Karla Nicholson, Mark Williams
- A handout entitled "Proposed Amendment (Corrections from staff)"
- A revised motion memo for clarification to match Attachment A section 5.2.1 subsection 1(f) and Public Hearing advertisement

Andrew Bone, Planner III provided a presentation on Case 21115. Bone clarified that staff originally intended for the public hearing to be jointly held with Regional Council and Halifax and West Community Council, however there was an error in the advertisement and as a result there will be an additional public hearing to deal with the development agreement at a future Halifax and West Community Council meeting.

Bone advised that this public hearing will focus on the proposed Municipal Planning Strategy policy and Land Use Bylaw implementation and that that timelines will likely not be affected by the change. Bone concluded by advising that Halifax Regional Council should direct staff by motion to correct typos in the proposed Municipal Planning Strategy (MPS) amendments that reference 6332 Quinpool Road, instead of the correct address 6302 Road and 6298 Quinpool Road twice, instead of 6302 Quinpool Road in the proposed LUB amendments

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

Christina Lovitt, Manager of Planning with WSP, speaking on behalf of the Applicant provided a presentation on Case 21115. Lovitt provided an overview of the current uses on Quinpool Road and Pepperell Street and the existing context. Lovitt spoke to the proposal noting underground parking requirements, proposed commercial uses on the ground level, and provisions for underground parking. Lovitt advised of commercial access to the building and parking garage entrances accessible off Pepperell Street, transitions and setbacks incorporated to reduce height on the townhouse forms located on Pepperell Street. Lovitt concluded by advising of human scale and pedestrian orientation design features such as a continuous street wall, the maintenance of existing trees, and context sensitive aesthetics which retain the character of the neighbourhood and surrounding uses.

In response to a follow up question, Lovitt advised that there will be 55 bicycle parking spaces included.

In response to a question, **Joe Nahas**, property owner advised that the building will be named TED after Ted Nahas who passed away in 2008 of ALS. Nahas further advised of a partnership with the ALS society to give back to the community.

In response to a follow up question, Lovitt advised that the applicant is bound by HRM's signage By-law with respect to any signage that may be used as part of the development.

Mayor Savage reviewed the rules of procedure for public hearings and opened the public hearing for anyone wishing to speak on the matter.

Kimberley Carter, Chief Executive Officer of the ALS society of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia spoke in support the proposed development noting that renewal of the Quinpool Road area is required and will attract more residents and visitors to the area. Carter further advised that the property owners have committed the proceeds from the first year of the buildings operations to ALS society which will greatly support the quality of live for individuals living with the disease.

Margaret Issenman, of Halifax expressed concern with the proposed height of the structure and inquired if the building will include affordable units, and whether existing trees will need to be removed due to its construction. Issenman inquired if the development will have space for the affordable daycare which currently operates in the Church Hall that will be removed as part of the development and requested further information with respect to the proposed setbacks on Quinpool Road and Pepperell Street.

Judy Adams, of Halifax inquired if the building will be comprised of apartments or condominium units.

Bill Cruise, of Halifax, spoke in favour of the project advising that the Quinpool Road area needs rejuvenation and density. Cruise concluded by noting that the development will add a wonderful vibrancy to the Quinpool Road area.

Wilf Peveril, of the West End United Baptist Church spoke in favour of the development advising that the property owners have kept the congregation informed and up to date respecting the plans for the subject property. Peveril advised that the existing church hall is in poor condition and must be removed. Peveril further noted that the operator of the daycare which operates out of the hall is well informed of the plans for its removal. Peveril concluded by expressing support for the proposed project and the partnership with the ALS society.

Joe Perrot, of Dartmouth spoke in favour of the proposed development. As an adjacent property owner, Perrot advised that the development will be of positive benefit to Quinpool road area.

Mayor Savage called three times for further speakers, there were none present.

In response to points raised during the public hearing, Lovitt advised that development will be comprised of rental units that will be leased at market price adding needed rental space on the peninsula. Lovitt noted that the rents will be competitive with prices in the area and noted greater affordability in that the building will be energy efficient and located near public transit and active transportation networks.

With respect to height, Lovitt advised that the 3.5 stories on Pepperell Street is quite modest and noted that one storey is buried due to the walk up and walk down element associated with the Townhouse feature. The nine-story portion is located on Quinpool is comparable to the Dexel development at the adjacent site. With respect to setbacks, the applicant chose to incorporate a lower street wall and increased setbacks from the church and existing residential uses on Pepperell street.

The Mayor called three times for any other members of the public wishing to speak on the matter. There being none, it was MOVED by Councillor Whitman, seconded by Councillor Cleary

THAT the public hearing be closed.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Smith

THAT Halifax Regional Council adopt the proposed amendments to the Municipal Planning Strategy for Halifax and the Land Use By-law for Halifax Peninsula, as set out in Attachments A and B of the staff report dated April 11, 2019, to permit a 9 storey, mixed-use building on Quinpool Road with a 3.5 storey section facing Pepperell Street.

The following amendment was proposed:

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Cleary

THAT Halifax Regional Council correct section 5.2.1 of Attachment A of the staff report dated April 11, 2019 by changing 6332 to 6302 and to section 95(9) of attachment B by changing one instance of 6298 to 6302.

John Traves, Municipal Solicitor confirmed that the proposed amendments are non-substantive in nature and are in line with the advertisement that was issued for the public hearing.

MOTION TO AMEND PUT AND PASSED.

The motion before Council now reads:

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Smith

THAT Halifax Regional Council adopt the proposed amendments to the Municipal Planning Strategy for Halifax and the Land Use By-law for Halifax Peninsula, as set out in Attachments A and B of the staff report dated April 11, 2019, to permit a 9 storey, mixed-use building on Quinpool Road with a 3.5 storey section facing Pepperell Street and corrections to section 5.2.1 of Attachment A of the staff report dated April 11, 2019 by changing 6332 to 6302 and to section 95(9) of attachment B by changing one instance of 6298 to 6302.

MOTION AS AMENDED PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

13. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS

13.1 Correspondence

The Clerk noted that correspondence was received for items: 12.1, 12.2, 15.4.1 and 15.7.1. This correspondence was circulated to Council.

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

13.1.1 Fly-Past Request - Exercise Cutlass Fury 2019 - NATO Exercise

The following was before Council:

A letter of request dated June 24, 2019

The following motion was approved as part of the Consent Agenda:

MOVED by Councillor Blackburn, seconded by Councillor Whitman

THAT Halifax Regional Council grant permission for a fly-past, as low as 500 feet above sea level, marking the commencement of Exercise Cutlass Fury 2019 on Monday, September 9, 2019 at 1:00 pm starting in the Bedford Basin and continuing outbound along the Halifax Harbour as the navy ships sail out for the start of the NATO exercise. The fly-past will be conducted by the following RCAF and DND contracted aircrafts: 1 CH148 Cyclone helicopter from 12 Wing Shearwater, 4 CF188 Hornets from 3 Wing Bagotville, 2 Dassault/Dornier Alpha Jets operated by Top Aces based out of Halifax International Airport, a CP140 from 14 Wing Greenwood, and will be made up of 4 different elements with the Hornets and Alpha Jets flying in separate close formations.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Zurawski

13.2 Petitions

13.2.1 Councillor Whitman

Councillor Whitman submitted a petition containing 230 signatures in support of keeping the rose bushes on Dunbrack Street.

13.2.2 Councillor Blackburn

Councillor Blackburn submitted a petition containing 374 signatures in support of having an off-leash dog park in the Millwood Community.

14. INFORMATION ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD - June 18, 2019

14.1 Councillor Austin – Municipal Discretionary Tax Relief – Eligibility of Market Leases

The following was before Council:

A staff information report dated May 3, 2019

This matter was deferred to the next regular meeting of Council during the approval of the order of business.

15. REPORTS

15.1 CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

15.1.1 Second Reading Proposed Amendments to By-law C-1100, Respecting Campaign Financing

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated May 8, 2019
- An extract of draft Regional Council Minutes June 18, 2019

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Cleary

THAT Halifax Regional Council adopt By-law C-1101, amending By-law C-1100, the Campaign Financing By-law, as set out in Attachment A of the staff report dated May 8, 2019.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Zurawski

15.1.2 Award - Tender No. 19-157 - Burnside Transit Centre Roofing Replacement - Phase 2

The following was before Council:

A staff recommendation report dated July 16, 2019

The following motion was approved as part of the Consent Agenda:

MOVED by Councillor Blackburn, seconded by Councillor Whitman

THAT Halifax Regional Council award Tender No. 19-157, Burnside Transit Centre Roofing Replacement – Phase 2 to the lowest bidder meeting specifications, Toitures Brault Inc. for a Total Price of \$1,547,999 (net HST included), with funding from Project No. CB000082 – Burnside Transit Centre Roof, as outlined in the Financial Implications section of the staff report dated July 16, 2019.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Zurawski

15.1.3 AN105 - HRM Asset Names, April 16, 2018 to October 22, 2018

The following was before Council:

• A staff recommendation report dated June 18, 2019

MOVED by Councillor Cleary, seconded by Councillor Mason

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

- (a) The addition of the names Rear Admiral Leonard Murray and Charlie Shiers to the existing Commemorative Names List as shown on Attachment A of the staff report dated June 18, 2019;
- (b) The naming of Daffodil Garden for Cancer Survivors, and The Bridge of Courage, as shown on Attachment B of the staff report dated June 18, 2019;
- (c) The renaming of Sir Sanford Fleming Park Playground to Walter E. Nolan Memorial Playground, Halifax, and the renaming of Harold T Barrett Junior High School Park Sports Court to Bonnie Ryan Sports Court, Beaver Bank as shown on Attachment C of the staff report dated June 18, 2019;
- (d) The renaming of Bill Dompierre Park to Bill Dompierre Memorial Park, Bedford as shown on Attachment D of the staff report dated June 18, 2019;
- (e) The administrative modification to the building name Power House to Power House Youth

Centre, Halifax as shown on Attachment E of the staff report dated June 18, 2019; and (f) The administrative park names as shown on Attachment F of the staff report dated June 18, 2019.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Zurawski

15.1.4 AN106 - HRM Asset Names, October 23, 2018 to April 3, 2019

The following was before Council:

A staff recommendation report dated June 18, 2019

MOVED by Councillor Whitman, seconded by Councillor Cleary

THAT Halifax Regional Council approve:

- 1. The addition of the names Peter Cox, William Davey, Carroll Morgan and The Princess Louise Fusiliers to the existing Commemorative Names List as shown on Attachment A of the staff report dated June 18, 2019;
- 2. The renaming of a portion of the Portland Lakes Active Transportation Greenway in Russell Lake Park, Dartmouth to the Hugh Millward Trail, as shown on Attachment B of the staff report dated June 18, 2019:
- 3. The renaming of the Demers Road Park Ball Diamond in Demers Road Park, Terence Bay to the Wayne Manuel Ball Diamond, as show on Attachment C of the staff report dated June 18, 2019;
- 4. The administrative park name as shown on Attachment D of the staff report dated June 18, 2019.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Zurawski

15.1.5 Increase to Contract, Request for Proposal No. 18-307 – Consulting Engineering Services BR122 Shore Road Bridge Replacement Design

The following was before Council:

• A staff recommendation report dated June 3, 2019

MOVED by Councillor Karsten, seconded by Councillor Cleary

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. enter into a cost sharing agreement with Halifax Water for \$13,625 (Net HST included), to the Project Account CR180003–Bridges as outlined in the Financial Implications section of the staff report dated June 3, 2019; and
- 2. approve an increase to contract with Hatch Corporation (Purchase Order No. 2070797017) for additional work from the original scope in the amount of \$43,275 (net HST included) with funding from Project Account CR180003–Bridges as outlined in the Financial Implications section.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Zurawski

15.1.6 Events East Five Year Strategic Plan and 2019-20 Business Plan

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated June 6, 2019
- A copy of Events East's presentation

Background information on Events East

Carrie Cussons, President and CEO of Events East Group managing the Scotiabank Centre, Halifax Convention Centre and Ticket Atlantic, gave an overview of their 2019-24 Strategic Plan and 2019-20 Business Plan.

Five key goals include:

- Guest Experience: treating all guests to a unique experience
- Community Connection: partnering with the community to co-create memorable guest experience
- Business Growth: drive incremental growth by leveraging relationships and both the Convention Centre and Scotiabank Centre facilities
- Talent and Culture: create a guest-focused culture
- Accountability and Sustained Performance: demonstrating a well-run and governed organization

Operational Priorities for 2019-20 include:

- Seeking AIPC (International Association of Convention Centres) accreditation that recognizes convention centre management and measures performance
- Identify new convention prospects
- Develop an ocean sector strategy to attract national and international events
- Establish baseline metrics to measure Events East long-term strategy

Cusson highlighted the events hosted over the past year at the Halifax Convention Centre and Scotia Bank Centre, and events planned for Fall and Winter 2019.

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Deputy Mayor Mancini

That Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Waive the requirement for the Audit & Finance Standing Committee to review and make a recommendation to Council regarding an unbudgeted withdrawal of funds from reserves and approve an increase to Operating Cost Centre M250, with funding to be an unbudgeted reserve withdrawal from the Convention Centre Reserve, Q521 in the amount of \$366,200 as per the Financial Implications section of the staff report dated June 6, 2019;
- 2. In accordance with section 28 of the Halifax Convention Centre Act, approve the Five Year Strategic Plan (2019-2023) as set out in Attachment A of the staff report dated June 6, 2019; and 3. In accordance with section 29(1) of the Halifax Convention Centre Act, approve the 2019-20 Business Plan and Budget for the Halifax Convention Centre Corporation, submitted to the Municipality by Events East Group, as set out in Attachment B of the staff report dated June 6, 2019.

In response to a question raised, Jane Fraser, Chief Financial Officer explained the process for collecting property taxes on the Halifax Convention Centre. The amount collected is based on a Memorandum of Understanding between the Province and the Municipality.

Two-third majority vote required.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Zurawski

15.2 AUDIT AND FINANCE STANDING COMMITTEE

15.2.1 Waverley Community Association Agreement Request

The following was before Council:

 A report from the Audit and Finance Standing Committee dated June 26, 2019 with attached staff report dated June 12, 2019 The following motion was approved as part of the Consent Agenda:

MOVED by Councillor Blackburn, seconded by Councillor Whitman

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Approve the provision of a two-year contribution in the amount of \$20,000 annually to the Waverley Community Association towards operating expenses to be funded from Operating Account C230;
- 2. Authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, or their designate, to negotiate, enter into, and execute a Contribution Agreement on behalf of the Municipality with the Waverley Community Association substantially in the same form as the draft Contribution Agreement included as Attachment 1 of the staff report dated June 12, 2019, and otherwise acceptable to the Chief Administrative Officer.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Zurawski

15.3 AUDIT COMMITTEE

15.3.1 Year End Financial Statements

The following was before Council:

 A report from the Audit Committee dated June 26, 2019 with attached revised staff recommendation report dated June 11, 2019

MOVED by Councillor Walker, seconded by Councillor Cleary

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. The Consolidated Financial Statements of the Halifax Regional Municipality for the year ended March 31, 2019 as outlined in the revised staff report dated June 11, 2019;
- 2. The Statement of General Rate Surplus of the Halifax Regional Municipality for the year ended March 31, 2019 as outlined in the revised staff report dated June 11, 2019;
- 3. Transfers of \$26,056,556, as outlined below, to reduce the general rate surplus to zero:

a. Municipal Elections Reserve, Q511 \$ 700,000 b. Parkland Development Reserve, Q611 \$ 2,000,000 c. Capital Fund Reserve, Q526 \$ 6,000,000 d. General Contingency Reserve, Q421 \$17,356,556

- 4. Approve an unbudgeted withdrawal from the Halifax Convention Centre Reserve, Q521, in the amount of \$3,617,394 to cover the balance of property taxes owed, net of taxes received;
- 5. Approve an unbudgeted withdrawal from the General Contingency Reserve, Q421, in the amount of \$238,200 to cover the costs of adding sideguards to the solid waste fleet;
- 6. The financial statements of the Halifax Regional Municipality Miscellaneous Trust Funds for the year ended March 31, 2019 as outlined in the revised staff report dated June 11, 2019; and,
- 7. The appointment of KPMG to be the External Auditors for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2020

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillors Zurawski and Outhit

15.4 ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY STANDING COMMITTEE

15.4.1 Case 22037 - Options for the Elimination of Drive-Through Facilities

The following was before Council:

- A report from the Environment and Sustainability Standing Committee dated July 5, 2019 with attached staff recommendation report dated May 4, 2019
- Correspondence from Bob Found

MOVED by Councillor Cleary, seconded by Blackburn

THAT Halifax Regional Council direct the Chief Administrative Officer to review options for limiting new and expanded drive-throughs, as part of the plan and by-law simplification program.

Council discussed the motion with members speaking in support and against limiting new and expanded drive-throughs. Staff was asked to measure the impact of each option and look at this through an accessibility lens. Concern was expressed with the word 'elimination' used in the title which is not Council's intent.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED. (9 in favour, 6 against)

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

Against: Councillors Streatch, Hendsbee, Walker, Adams, Whitman and Outhit

Not present: Councillor Zurawski

15.5 TRANSPORTATION STANDING COMMITTEE

15.5.1 Non-Accepted Streets

The following was before Council:

 A report from the Transportation Standing Committee dated June 25, 2019 with attached staff recommendation report dated April 11, 2019

MOVED by Councillor Nicoll, seconded by Councillor Cleary

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer in preparing the capital budgets for the 2020/21 and 2021/2022 fiscal years to consider allocating funding for Phase 1 (title/boundary review of 42 non-accepted streets) pursuant to the budget process and as discussed in the discussion section of the revised staff report dated April 11, 2019 and;
- 2. If funding has been approved in the capital budget for Phase 1 (title/boundary review of 42 non-accepted streets), direct the Chief Administrative Officer to undertake the title/boundary review of all 42 non-accepted streets listed on Appendix A of the April 11, 2019 revised staff report that are in Category 2 (5 non-accepted streets), Category 3 (9 non-accepted streets), Category 4 (28 non-accepted streets).

Council discussed the motion with staff responding to questions respecting the five (5) categories for non-accepted streets and the three (3) phased approach. It was noted that should Councillors want to add a street to the list, they could send staff the information for review.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Zurawski

15.5.2 Councillor Appointments to Board/Committees

The following was before Council:

 A report from the Transportation Standing Committee dated June 26, 2019 with attached staff recommendation report dated March 22, 2019

MOVED by Councillor Nicoll, seconded by Councillor Cleary

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Rescind all three (3) Councillor appointments to the Active Transportation Advisory Committee.
- 2. Appoint Councillor Austin of the Transportation Standing Committee to the Active Transportation Advisory Committee for a term to November 2020.

Council discussed the motion with concern raised on not having representation from the urban, suburban and rural areas with just one (1) member of Council serving on the Action Transpiration Advisory Committee.

In response to a question raised, Kevin Arjoon, Municipal Clerk advised that the Committee's Terms of Reference was amended June 18, 2019, reducing the Committee's composition from three (3) members of Council to one (1). The amendment provided that a member of the Transportation Standing Committee serve on the Active Transportation Advisory Committee to provide continuity between the parent committee and advisory committee.

MOVED by Councillor Hendsbee, seconded by Councillor Whitman

To amend the motion to appoint two (2) members of Council to the Active Transportation Advisory Committee for a term to November 2020.

The Municipal Solicitor deemed the **MOTION OUT OF ORDER because** the change to the Committee's composition had been approved by Council June 18, 2019.

MOVED by Councillor Adams, seconded by Councillor Whitman

To defer item 15.5.2 Councillor Appointments to Board/Committees to in camera for discussion.

Council discussed the deferral.

MOTION TO DEFER TO IN CAMERA PUT AND DEFEATED. (4 in favour, 11 against)

In favour: Councillors Karsten, Walker, Adams and Whitman

Against: Mayor Savage, Deputy Mayor Mancini, Councillors Streatch, Hendsbee, Nicoll, Austin, Mason, Smith, Cleary, Blackburn and Outhit

Not present: Councillor Zurawski

The motion before Council remains:

MOVED by Councillor Nicoll, seconded by Councillor Cleary

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Rescind all three (3) Councillor appointments to the Active Transportation Advisory Committee.
- 2. Appoint Councillor Austin of the Transportation Standing Committee to the Active Transportation Advisory Committee for a term to November 2020.

Two-third majority vote required.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED. (12 in favour, 3 against)

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

Against: Councillors Hendsbee, Adams and Whitman

Not present: Councillor Zurawski

15.5.3 Transit Priority Corridors - Robie Street / Young Street

The following was before Council:

 A report from the Transportation Standing Committee dated June 25, 2019 with attached staff recommendation report dated May 15, 2019

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Smith

THAT Halifax Regional Council authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to:

- 1. Proceed with detailed design of time-restricted (Weekdays 6AM 6PM) curbside bus lanes on Robie Street between Young Street and Quinpool Road (Phase 1 configuration as described in the Discussion section of the May 15, 2019 staff report);
- 2. Proceed with detailed design of a westbound curbside bus lane on Young Street between Kempt Road and Windsor Street (Phase 1 configuration as described in the Discussion section of the May 15, 2019 staff report);
- 3. Initiate efforts to further investigate the right-of-way requirements necessary to accommodate continuous curbside bus lanes in both directions (Phase 2 configuration as described in the Discussion section of the May 15, 2019 staff report) for the following roadway segments:
- i. Robie Street (between Almon Street and Cunard Street), and
- ii. Young Street (between Robie Street and Windsor Street); and
- 4. Initiate efforts to further investigate the right-of-way requirements necessary for future potential construction of centre median transit lanes on Robie Street.

In response to questions from Council, Mike Connors, Program Engineer, advised of lessons learned from the Gottingen Street Transit Priority Corridor project stressing that a high degree of importance on engagement with the community in areas affected by the proposed corridor is required.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Zurawski

15.6 GRANTS COMMITTEE

15.6.1 Less than Market Value Lease - Northwood Homecare Incorporated, Sackville Sports Stadium, 409 Glendale Drive, Sackville

The following was before Council:

 A report from the Grants Committee dated June 26, 2019 with attached staff recommendation report dated June 4, 2019

MOVED by Councillor Walker, seconded by Councillor Blackburn

THAT Halifax Regional Council authorize the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to enter into a less than market value lease agreement with Northwood Homecare Incorporated for the leased premises within Sackville Sports Stadium located at 409 Glendale Drive, Sackville as per the key terms and conditions set out in Table 1 of the discussion section of the June 4, 2019 staff report.

Two-third majority vote required.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Zurawski

15.6.2 Rural Transit Funding Program 2019/2020

The following was before Council:

 A report from the Grants Committee dated June 26, 2019 with attached staff recommendation report dated April 11, 2019

The following motion was approved as part of the Consent Agenda:

MOVED by Councillor Blackburn, seconded by Councillor Whitman

THAT Halifax Regional Council approve the following grants under the Rural Transit Grants Administrative Order, for the 2019/20 fiscal year:

- 1. Lump Sum Grants:
- a. MusGo Rider Cooperative (Musquodoboit Harbour) \$10,000
- b. MusGo Rider Cooperative (Valley-Sheet Harbour) \$10,000
- c. BayRides \$5,000
- d. East Hants Community Rider \$10,000
- e. Chebucto Community Transportation Service \$5,000
- 2. Flat Rate Grant of \$.50 per in-service kilometer up to a program maximum of \$400,000 to:
- a. MusGo Rider Cooperative (Musquodoboit Harbour)
- b. MusGo Rider Cooperative (Valley-Sheet Harbour)
- c. BavRides
- d. East Hants Community Rider
- e. Chebucto Community Transportation Service

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Zurawski

15.7 MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

15.7.1 Councillor Hendsbee - Request Amendments to By-Law A-600 Respecting Advertising on Provincial Highways

The following was before Council:

- A request for Council consideration form from Councillor Hendsbee
- Correspondence from the Musquodoboit Harbour and Area Chamber of Commerce and Civic Affairs

MOVED by Councillor Hendsbee, seconded by Councillor Blackburn

THAT Halifax Regional Council request a staff report requesting an addendum or amendment to Schedule 1 of HRM Bylaw A-600 Respecting Advertisements on Provincial Highways for the inclusion of a section of Highway 7 within the Eastern Shore-West MPS (Municipal Planning Strategy) from Musquodoboit Harbour to Ship Harbour.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Zurawski

15.7.2 Councillor Zurawski - Boundary Review Community of Beechville

The following was before Council:

• A request for Council consideration form from Councillor Zurawski

MOVED by Councillor Walker, seconded by Councillor Cleary

THAT Halifax Regional Council request a staff report to consider modifications to the community boundaries of Beechville.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Zurawski

16. MOTIONS

16.1 Ratification from Committee of the Whole on June 25, 2019 – Commercial and Small Business Taxation

The following motion was approved as part of the Consent Agenda:

MOVED by Councillor Blackburn, seconded by Councillor Whitman

THAT Halifax Regional Council direct the Chief Administrative Officer to:

- 1. Develop and return to Regional Council for its consideration a by-law to phase-in commercial tax bills that:
- a. uses a three-year rolling assessment average,
- b. is targeted towards properties with assessment growth more than 5 percent above the HRM average,
- c. is implemented starting in fiscal year 2021-22, and
- d. has a renewal requirement for it to extend beyond 2023-24;
- 2. Work with the business community on implementation of a three-year rolling average;
- 3. Return to Regional Council with a program review before the end of 2023-24; and
- 4. Prepare a supplementary staff report exploring a tiered commercial tax regime based on assessed values using the five zones described in Attachment D of the staff report dated May 1, 2019.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Zurawski

17. 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:

MOVED by Councillor Walker, seconded by Councillor Adams

To convene to in camera.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

17.1 In Camera (In Private) Minutes - June 4 and 18 2019

This matter was discussed In Camera (In Private). The following motion was ratified in public session:

MOVED by Councillor Walker, seconded by Councillor Cleary

THAT the In Camera (In Private) minutes of June 4 and 18, 2019 be approved as circulated.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

17.2 PERSONNEL MATTER - Private and Confidential Report

This matter was discussed In Camera (In Private). The following motion was ratified in public session:

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Mancini, seconded by Councillor Cleary

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Adopt the recommendation as outlined in the Transportation Standing Committee report dated June 25, 2019 and release the identity of the appointee to the public following ratification and notification of the successful candidate; and
- 2. Not release the private and confidential report dated June 25, 2019 to the public.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Zurawski

17.3 PERSONNEL MATTER - Private and Confidential Report

This matter was discussed In Camera (In Private). The following motion was ratified in public session:

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Mancini, seconded by Councillor Cleary

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Adopt the recommendation as outlined in the Executive Standing Committee report dated June 26, 2019 and release the identity of the appointees to the public following ratification and notification of the successful candidates; and
- 2. Not release the private and confidential report dated June 26, 2019 to the public.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Zurawski

17.4 PERSONNEL MATTER - Private and Confidential Report

This matter was discussed In Camera (In Private). The following motion was ratified in public session:

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Mancini, seconded by Councillor Nicoll

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Adopt the recommendation as outlined in the Executive Standing Committee report dated June 26, 2019 and release the identity of the appointees to the public following ratification and notification of the successful candidates; and
- 2. Not release the private and confidential report dated June 26, 2019 to the public.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Zurawski

17.5 INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS - Private and Confidential Report

This matter was discussed In Camera (In Private). The following motion was ratified in public session:

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Mancini, seconded by Councillor Nicoll

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Approve the direction as outlined in the revised private and confidential staff report dated June 25, 2019 as amended during the July 16, 2019 In Camera (In Private) Session; and
- 2. Not release the revised private and confidential staff report dated June 25, 2019 to the public.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED (11 in favour; 4 against).

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

Against: Councillors Streatch, Hendsbee, Adams, Whitman

Not present: Councillor Zurawski

17.6 INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS - Private and Confidential Report

This matter was discussed In Camera (In Private). The following motion was ratified in public session:

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Deputy Mayor Mancini

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Approve the direction as outlined in the private and confidential staff report dated April 15, 2019
- 2. Not release the private and confidential staff report dated April 15, 2019 to the public.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Zurawski

17.7 PROPERTY MATTER - Private and Confidential Report

This matter was discussed In Camera (In Private). The following motion was ratified in public session:

MOVED by Councillor Hendsbee, seconded by Councillor Streatch

THAT Halifax Regional Council request a staff report as outlined in the revised private and confidential Councillor request for consideration form.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Zurawski

17.8 INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS - Private and Confidential Report

This matter was discussed In Camera (In Private). The following motion was ratified in public session:

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Smith

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Approve the direction as outlined in the private and confidential staff report dated June 25, 2019; and
- 2. Release the private and confidential staff report dated June 25, 2019 to the public once the conditions have been met.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Zurawski

17.9 PROPERTY MATTER - Private and Confidential Report

This matter was discussed In Camera (In Private). The following motion was ratified in public session:

MOVED by Councillor Nicoll, seconded by Deputy Mayor Mancini

THAT Halifax Regional Council request a staff report as outlined in the private and confidential Councillor request for consideration form.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Zurawski

18. ADDED ITEMS

18.1 Councillor Adams – Herring Cove Water and Wastewater Servicing Phase 4

The following was before Council:

A request for Council consideration form from Councillor Adams

MOVED by Councillor Adams, seconded by Councillor Walker

THAT Halifax Regional Council request a staff report with respect to undertaking detailed design work for Herring Cove Phase 4 water and wastewater servicing, in advance of an application for Federal and Provincial funding support.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

Not present: Councillor Zurawski

19. NOTICES OF MOTION

19.1 Councillor Streatch

TAKE NOTICE that, at the next meeting of Halifax Regional Council to be held on July 30, 2019 I propose to introduce Administrative Order 2019-005-ADM, the Community Area Rate Administrative Order, the purpose of which is to establish criteria for the creation of rates that support local community recreation activities or sidewalks and are requested by a community, and to establish a framework for the use of the monies raised by the rate.

19.2 Deputy Mayor Mancini

TAKE NOTICE that, at the next meeting of Halifax Regional Council to be held on July 30, 2019, I propose to move amendments to Administrative Order 29, Respecting Civic Addressing Policies, the purpose of which is to:

- 1. name six new private lanes in Terence Bay, Dartmouth, Bedford and Mineville
- 2. name two water access lake coastlines in Porters Lake and West Chezzetcook
- 3. name two public streets in Montague Gold Mines and Beaver Bank
- 4. rename a portion of Baffin Boulevard to Hudson Way in Dartmouth.

19.3 Deputy Mayor Mancini

TAKE NOTICE that, at the next meeting of Halifax Regional Council to be held on July 30, 2019, I propose to move a motion to rescind part 1 of the recommendation for Item 14.1.3 from the May 9, 2017 Regional Council meeting, in order to appoint a new Returning Officer for any special election that may be required prior to the 2020 regular municipal and school board election.

19.4 Councillor Hendsbee

TAKE NOTICE that, at the next meeting of Halifax Regional Council to be held on July 30, 2019, I intend to move that Council consider adopting, by policy, a Public Participation Program for the consideration of regional wide amendments to the Regional Municipal Planning Strategy and all applicable Secondary Municipal Planning Strategies and Land Use By-laws regarding the keeping and raising of chickens.

19.5 Councillor Blackburn

TAKE NOTICE that, at the next meeting of Halifax Regional Council to be held on July 30, 2019, I propose to move a motion to rescind part 1 of the recommendation for Item 14.1.6 from the February 7, 2017 Regional Council meeting which was to categorize two acres of PID 41287137, near Highway 101 and Margeson Drive, Middle Sackville as "Economic Development", in order to reclassify the land as "Community Interest" property as per Administrative Order 50.

19.6 Councillor Nicoll

TAKE NOTICE that, at the next meeting of Halifax Regional Council to be held on July 30, 2019, I propose to:

- 1. Move First Reading of proposed By-law T-1003, amending By-law T-1000, the Halifax Regional Municipality Taxi and Limousine By-law; and
- 2. Move amendments to Administrative Order 39, Respecting Taxi and Limousine Regulations, the purpose of which is to amend the by-law and administrative order to increase passenger and driver safety, eliminate taxi zones, increase the number of available licenses, clarify appeals, enhance the code of conduct and other housekeeping and administrative amendments.

20. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

Kevin Arjoon Municipal Clerk