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Item No. 14.5.4

Request for Council's Consideration		
(Submitted to (Municipal Clerk's	Added Item Submitted to Municipal Clerk's Office by Noon Monday)	☐ Request from the Floor
Date of Council Meeting: August 1, 2017		
Subject: Ferry Schedule Special Events		
Motion for Council to Consider:		
That Regional Council request a staff report on options for providing additional ferry service during special events and holidays starting in the 2018/2019 fiscal year.		
Reason: During some holidays such as Canada Day and Natal Day, and special events such as Nocturne, Pride, Parade of Lights, Moosehead (playoffs) and Tall Ships the wait for the Alderney Ferry can become quite significant. This is particularly problematic when the ferry is operating on a once every 30 minute schedule. It is operationally challenging for Transit to add additional ferry service because of the relatively small number of available employees to work extra shifts, the requirements for rest as set by Transport Canada, and provincial labour laws. Transit has experimented this year with bringing on temporary staff through a partnership with Waterfront Development. The staff report should evaluate building on this initiative and expanding the temporary pool to provide service during busy special events and holidays. Outcome Sought: Recommendation report with financial and staffing requirements		
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