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# Item No. Harbour East Marine Drive Community Council December 8, 2016

**TO:** Chair and Members of Harbour East – Marine Drive Community Council

**ORIGINAL SIGNED** 

SUBMITTED BY:

Kevin Arjoon, Municipal Clerk

**DATE:** October 30, 2016

**SUBJECT:** Review of Report Requests

#### **ORIGIN**

Staff report to Community Council to review the lists of report requests in accordance with Administrative Order 1, Section 76(2).

# **LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY**

**Administrative Order 1 Section 76(2)** "At the first meeting of the subsequent Council following the swearing into office of the new Members, the status sheet shall be tabled and upon review Council may withdraw any item(s) from the status sheet."

# **RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that Harbour East - Marine Drive Community Council review the attached list of report requests, as outlined in Attachment 1 and bring forward any items recommended to be withdrawn.

# **BACKGROUND**

Community Council may, by motion, request that a staff report be requested through the Chief Administrative Officer. Prior to September 2014, requests for reports were maintained by the Office of the Municipal Clerk in a tracking document referred to as a "status sheet". In September 2014, a new corporate tracking tool was launched called "Report Center" and all new requests for reports were tracked via this tool.

#### DISCUSSION

With the repeal and replacement of Administrative Order 1, the Procedure of the Council Administrative Order, in November 2015, section 76(2) was added to allow for the review of report requests following a Municipal Election and the Swearing In of a new Mayor and Council.

This marks the first review of the requests for reports from Report Center, where Community Council may review the requests as outlined in Attachment 1 and advise if any of these items should be withdrawn.

Following the review, any item(s) recommended to be withdrawn will be archived from the Report Center, cancelling the previous request for a staff report.

### FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications associated with this report.

### **RISK CONSIDERATION**

If subsequent to this review, a member wishes to withdraw a motion which previously approved a request for a staff report, a notice of motion of rescission would be required at the meeting prior the motion of rescission being considered in accordance with Administrative Order 1.

#### **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

Community Council meetings are open to the public.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS**

N/A

#### **ALTERNATIVES**

Community Council could choose not to review the current lists of requests for staff reports and take no action at this time.

# **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment 1 - Report Center - Requests for Staff Reports

A copy of this report can be obtained online at http://www.halifax.ca/commcoun/index.php then choose the appropriate Community Council and meeting date, or by contacting the Office of the Municipal Clerk at 902.490.4210, or Fax 902.490.4208.

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Name	Original Motion / Description	Councillor	Date of Request
Sculpture Park,	That Harbour East Community Council:	*Motion by former 05/08/2010	05/08/2010
Dartmouth Waterfront	Dartmouth Waterfront   1. Approve in principle the initiation of a process to develop the Dartmouth	Councillor Smith	
	Waterfront Park as a Sculpture Park, subject the creation of a public/private		
	partnership committee under HRM existing guidelines; and		
	2. Request that staff provide a report in this regard.		