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# Item No. 9.5 Board of Police Commissioners November 18, 2019

**TO:** Chair and Members of the Board of Police Commissioners

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SUBMITTED BY:

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DATE: November 14, 2019

SUBJECT: Proposed 2020 Board of Police Commissioners Meeting Schedule

## **ORIGINS**

It is the practice for the Board of Police Commissioners (BOPC) to adopt a meeting schedule for the upcoming year.

## **LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY**

Police Act. 2004, c. 31, section 49, states:

The board must hold a board meeting at least every three months.

# **RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Board of Police Commissioners approve the proposed 2020 meeting schedule as outlined in Attachment 1 of this report.

#### **BACKGROUND**

In accordance with Section 49 of the *Police Act*, the Board of Police Commissioners shall meet no less than once every three (3) months, preferably monthly, or as determined by the Board. The Board of Police Commissioners typically meets the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month in Halifax Hall, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor City Hall, 1841 Argyle Street, Halifax from 12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

#### **DISCUSSION**

The proposed 2020 schedule provided as Attachment 1 of this report, proposes 10 regular meetings and 1 'if required', and takes into account statutory holidays, March Break, meetings of Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), Nova Scotia Federation of Municipalities (NSFM) and Halifax Regional Council. The approval of this schedule will allow members of the Board, staff and the public to be notified and plan in advance for meetings. The Chair of the Board, with input from staff, has the authority to cancel a scheduled meeting should it be deemed necessary. A special meeting for a time sensitive matter may be called with appropriate notice, provided it is done in accordance with the *HRM Charter* and Administrative Order One.

## FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no budget implications associated with the recommended course of action.

# **RISK CONSIDERATION**

A delay in approval could result in additional delays for other HRM Committee meeting schedules, as the Board's schedule may impact the timing of other Committee meeting times and dates.

# **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

The 2020 meeting schedule for the Board, once adopted, is posted to the HRM calendar at Halifax.ca to enable members of the public and media to have access to the meeting schedule, agendas and reports.

# **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS**

There are no environmental implications associated with the recommended course of action.

#### **ALTERNATIVES**

The Board may recommend and/or adjust the proposed 2020 meeting schedule as they see fit.

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment 1 - Proposed 2020 Board of Police Commissioners Meeting Schedule

A copy of this report can be obtained online at <a href="https://halifax.ca">halifax.ca</a> or by contacting the Office of the Municipal Clerk at 902.490.4210.

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# Halifax Board of Police Commissioners Proposed 2020 Meeting Schedule

| Date   | Time                   | Location   |
|--|------------------------|--|
| January 20, 2020                                       | 12:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. | Halifax Hall – 2nd Floor<br>City Hall, 1841 Argyle Street, Halifax |
| February 10, 2020<br>*a week early due to Heritage Day | 12:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. | Halifax Hall – 2nd Floor<br>City Hall, 1841 Argyle Street, Halifax |
| March 9, 2020<br>*a week early due to March Break      | 12:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. | Halifax Hall – 2nd Floor<br>City Hall, 1841 Argyle Street, Halifax |
| April 20, 2020   | 12:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. | Halifax Hall – 2nd Floor<br>City Hall, 1841 Argyle Street, Halifax |
| May 11, 2020<br>*a week early due to Victoria Day      | 12:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. | Halifax Hall – 2nd Floor<br>City Hall, 1841 Argyle Street, Halifax |
| June 15, 2020  | 12:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. | Halifax Hall – 2nd Floor<br>City Hall, 1841 Argyle Street, Halifax |
| July 20, 2020  | 12:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. | Halifax Hall – 2nd Floor<br>City Hall, 1841 Argyle Street, Halifax |
| August 17, 2020  | 12:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. | Halifax Hall – 2nd Floor<br>City Hall, 1841 Argyle Street, Halifax |
| September 21, 2020                                     | 12:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. | Halifax Hall – 2nd Floor<br>City Hall, 1841 Argyle Street, Halifax |
| October – no meeting                                   | N/A                    | N/A  |
| November 16, 2020                                      | 12:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. | Halifax Hall – 2nd Floor<br>City Hall, 1841 Argyle Street, Halifax |
| December 21, 2020<br>*if required                      | 12:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. | Halifax Hall – 2nd Floor<br>City Hall, 1841 Argyle Street, Halifax |

<sup>\*</sup>Please be advised that meeting times and locations are subject to change