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Request for Council's Consideration Included on Agenda Χ Date of Council Meeting: June 23, 2020 Subject: Cart Based Garbage and Recycling Collection Motion for Council to Consider: That Halifax Regional Council requests the CAO develop terms of reference for a solid waste strategy review and to include transitioning the garbage and recycling programs to a cart-based collection program in the review, pending a decision from the Province of Nova Scotia on the status of future legislation with respect to the municipal recycling program and Extended Producer Responsibility. Reason: The potential introduction of cart-based pickup for recycling and garbage in HRM, as identified in the staff report, will require additional work. That work should be considered in a broader look at HRM's solid waste strategy so that carts can be considered in context and in relation to other options for HRM investment. The future direction around recyclables is somewhat unknown right now as municipalities wait for a Provincial decision regarding Extended Producer Responsibility. EPR could significantly change the recycling process and could affect the type or viability of a cart program for recyclables and, therefore, a decision on a cart-based program should wait for Provincial direction. Outcome Sought: Staff recommendation report Councillor District

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