

**ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NUMBER 2020-009-ADM
RESPECTING COVID-19**

BE IT RESOLVED AS AN ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER of the Council of the Halifax Regional Municipality under the authority of the *Halifax Regional Municipality Charter*, as follows:

Short Title

1. This Administrative Order may be known as the *COVID-19 Administrative Order*.

Interpretation

2. In this Administrative Order,

(a) “alternative public engagement” means public engagement facilitated through one, or a combination of, the following means: written correspondence, the internet, telephone, or meetings held virtually;

(aa) “grant” includes rent subsidies, property tax exemptions, less than market value property sales and leases, annual cash grants, and allocations from the Marketing Levy Special Event Reserve and Community and Events Reserve;

(ab) Repealed;

(b) “policy” means a resolution of the Council that is required, pursuant to the *Halifax Regional Municipality Charter*, to be recorded in the by-law records of the Municipality and includes an Administrative Order and the Terms of Reference for the HRM Grants Committee;

(c) “reserve” means a reserve as defined by clause 3(c) of the *Financial Reserves Administrative Order*; and

(d) Repealed.

Application

3. Notwithstanding any other policy of Council, a

(a) grant may be allocated or awarded by Council without the HRM Grants Committee or HRM Special Events Advisory Committee reviewing, evaluating, or recommending the grant;

(b) grant may be allocated or awarded by Chief Administrative Officer without a peer jury reviewing, evaluating, or recommending the grant; and

(c) withdrawal from a reserve may be authorized by Council without the Audit and Finance Standing Committee reviewing and making a recommending on the impact to the Reserve.

Public Hearings

3A. Repealed.

3B. (1) Repealed.

(2) Repealed

(3) Repealed.

(4) Notwithstanding section 4, if a meeting or public engagement has started to be held virtually or through alternative public engagement under subsection 1 before it was repealed, but has not

been completed before this Administrative Order terminates, such meeting shall continue to be held virtually and such engagement shall continue to be held through alternative public engagement.

(5) Repealed.

Transition

3C. Repealed.

Termination Date

4. Subject to subsection 3B(4), this Administrative Order terminates on the earlier of

- (a) the date and time determined by Council, by resolution; or
- (b) at 11:59 pm on March 31st, 2022.

5. Repealed.

Done and passed by Council this 12th day of May, 2020.

Mayor

Acting Municipal Clerk

I, Sherryll Murphy, Acting Municipal Clerk of the Halifax Regional Municipality, hereby certify that the above noted Administrative Order was passed at a meeting of Halifax Regional Council held on May 12, 2020.

Sherryll Murphy, Acting Municipal Clerk

Repealed

SCHEDULE 1

TERMINATED March 31, 2022

Notice of Motion: April 28, 2020
Approved: May 12, 2020

Amendment #1

Amendment to section 1
Added sections 3A and 5, and Schedule 1

Notice of Motion: May 12, 2020
Approved: May 26, 2020

Amendment #2

Amendment to sections 2 and 4
Added section 3B

Notice of Motion: August 18, 2020
Approved: September 1, 2020

Amendment #3

Amendment to clause 4(b)
Amendment to subsection 5(3) of Schedule 1

Notice of Motion: March 9, 2021
Approved: March 23, 2021

Amendment #4

Added subsection 2(ab)
Amendment to section 3A
Added section 3C
Amendment to section 1 of Schedule 1

Notice of Motion: June 29, 2021
Approved: July 20, 2021

Amendment #5

Repealed clauses 2(ab), (d), sections 3A, 3C, 5, subsections 3B(1),(2),(3), and (5), Schedule 1
Amended subsection 3B(4)

Notice of Motion: March 11, 2022
Approved: March 22, 2022