TO: Mayor Savage and Members of Halifax Regional Council

SUBMITTED BY: Jacques Dubé, Chief Administrative Officer

DATE: April 29, 2020

SUBJECT: Councillor Appointment to the Halifax Regional Water Commission

ORIGIN
Requirement to fill a vacancy on the Halifax Regional Water Commission.

LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY
Administrative Order One -The Procedures of the Council Administrative Order:
119. A report with recommendations for nomination and appointment shall be brought forward to the appropriate nominating or appointing body in accordance with the HRM Charter, the Public Appointment Policy and Terms of Reference adopted by the Council.

Schedule 6 – Executive Standing Committee
4. The Executive Standing Committee shall act as the Membership Selection Committee of the Council with a mandate to function as the nomination committee for appointment to Boards and Committees, including at large nomination to Standing Committees, except as delegated to other Standing Committees by the Council.

Administrative Order Number 2018-001-ADM, Respecting the Halifax Regional Water Commission 12 (4) The Executive Committee, in accordance with its Terms of Reference as found in Schedule 6 of Administrative Order One, shall review the expression of interests and shall make a report and recommendation to Council respecting which member or members of Council to appoint to the Commission Board.

RECOMMENDATION
It is recommended Halifax Regional Council:

1. waive Administrative Order One schedule 6 section 4 which outlines that the Executive Standing Committee shall act as the Membership Selection Committee of the Council with a mandate to function as the nomination committee for appointments to Boards and Committees.

2. appoint Stephen Adams to fill an unexpired term to November 2020 for consideration by Halifax Regional Council.
BACKGROUND

On February 14, 2020 Councillor Nicoll resigned from the Halifax Regional Water Commission. Councillor Nicoll was previously appointed to the Commission for a term to November 2020.

The current HRM appointments to Halifax Regional Water Commission are as follows:

Councillor Russell Walker  
Councillor Richard Zurawski  
Councillor David Hendsbee  
Ted Farquhar  
Craig MacMullin  
Colleen Rollings

DISCUSSION

The Municipal Clerk’s Office called for expressions of interest from members of Council in regard to serving on the Commission by email February 19, 2020, of which Councillor Stephen Adams was the only respondent.

This report recommends that Halifax Regional Council appoint Councillor Stephen Adams to the Halifax Regional Water Commission to fill an unexpired term to November 2020.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications to this report that are not included in the operating budget.

RISK CONSIDERATION

Not applicable.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Not applicable.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

Not applicable.

ALTERNATIVES

None.

ATTACHMENTS

None.
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