



**HALIFAX REGIONAL COUNCIL  
SPECIAL MEETING  
MINUTES  
August 31, 2021**

PRESENT:

Mayor	Mike Savage
Deputy Mayor	Tim Outhit
Councillors:	Cathy Deagle Gammon
	David Hendsbee
	Becky Kent
	Trish Purdy
	Sam Austin
	Tony Mancini
	Waye Mason
	Lindell Smith
	Shawn Cleary
	Kathryn Morse
	Patty Cuttell
	Iona Stoddard
	Pam Lovelace
	Lisa Blackburn
	Paul Russell

STAFF:

Jacques Dubé, Chief Administrative Officer  
Dave Reage, Acting Chief Administrative Officer  
John Traves, Municipal Solicitor  
Iain MacLean, Municipal Clerk  
Andrea Lovasi-Wood, Legislative Assistant  
Krista Vining, Legislative Assistant  
Annie Sherry, Legislative Assistant

*The following does not represent a verbatim record of the proceedings of this meeting.*

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*The meeting was called to order at 10:04 a.m., and recessed at 12:00 p.m. Council reconvened in at 1:05 p.m. Council recessed at 3:31 p.m. and reconvened at 3:46 p.m. Council recessed at 5:05 p.m. and reconvened at 6:04 p.m. Council moved into an In Camera (In Private) session at 8:03 p.m. and reconvened at 9:56 p.m. Council adjourned at 10:04 p.m.*

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Savage called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m.

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – August 17, 2021**

MOVED by Councillor Russell, seconded by Councillor Cleary

**THAT the minutes of August 17, 2021 be approved as circulated.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**3. APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF BUSINESS AND APPROVAL OF ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS**

Additions:

- Item 14.1 Mayor Savage - Crisis Housing
- Item 14.2 Rapid Housing Initiative - Round 2 Projects
- Item 14.3 Councillor Lovelace – Lived Experience Advisory Committee on Homelessness for HRM

Deletions: None

MOVED by Councillor Cleary, seconded by Councillor Mason

**THAT the following item be deferred to a future meeting of Regional Council:**

- **Item 8.1 Case H00486 – Request to Include 5943 Spring Garden Road, Halifax in the Registry of Heritage Property for the Halifax Regional Municipality.**

John Traves, Municipal Solicitor, and Iain MacLean, Municipal Clerk, responded to questions of clarification from Regional Council.

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

As provided for in section 37 (1) of Administrative Order One, *Respecting the Procedures of the Council*, Council requested that items 14.1 Mayor Savage – Crisis Housing and 14.2 Rapid Housing Initiative – Round 2 Projects be considered prior to item 7.

As provided for in section 12 (5) of Administrative Order One, Councillor Cleary requested that Information Item 3 Review of By-law C-1100, *Respecting Campaign Financing* be brought forward to September 14, 2021 meeting of Regional Council.

MOVED by Councillor Deagle Gammon, seconded by Councillor Mason

**THAT the agenda be approved as amended.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Later in the meeting, as provided for in section 37 (1) of Administrative Order One, Council requested that item 14.3 Councillor Lovelace – Lived Experience Advisory Committee on Homelessness for HRM be considered prior to item 7.

#### **4. CONSENT AGENDA**

As provided for in section 41 (3) of Administrative Order One:

- Item 11.1.8 was removed from the consent agenda at the request of Councillor Kent
- Item 11.1.11 was removed from the consent agenda at the request of Councillor Smith

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Smith

**THAT Halifax Regional Council approve recommendations in the following agenda items:**

- **11.1.2 Award – Tender 21-154 – Alderney Gate Recapitalization Phase 2**
- **11.1.3 Facility Operating Agreement - Spryfield Lions Rink and Recreation Society**
- **11.1.5 Community Grants Program 2021 – Referrals**
- **11.1.6 Increase to Contract, RFP (Request for Proposal) No. 19-1013- Functional Plan for Integrated Mobility Plan AAA Bicycling Network – Peninsula South (“Peninsula South Complete Streets Project”)**
- **11.1.9 Halifax Forum Building Analysis – Potential Partnerships; and**
- **11.2.1 Increase to Project No. CB000042 Woodside Ferry Terminal Upgrades.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

#### **5. CALL FOR DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTERESTS**

Councillor Hendsbee declared a conflict of interest for Item 14.2 Rapid Housing Initiative – Round 2 Projects.

#### **6. MOTIONS OF RESCISSION – NONE**

#### **7. CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS**

##### **7.1 Street Art in the Right-of-Way**

The following was before Council:

- Transportation Standing Committee report dated June 29, 2021 with attached staff recommendation report dated June 2, 2021
- Correspondence from Doug Carleton

MOVED by Councillor Austin, seconded by Councillor Stoddard

**THAT Halifax Regional Council direct the Chief Administrative Officer to:**

- 1. Continue the use of street art, where appropriate, as part of Tactical Urbanism projects, subject to approval of the Traffic Authority;**
- 2. Continue allowing for art on sidewalks, subject to applicable by-laws, provided appropriate materials are used to ensure adequate slip resistance;**
- 3. Continue to only allow the installation of street art placemaking on lower volume roadways, except under extraordinary circumstances as approved by the Engineer, as**

outlined in the discussion section of the staff report dated June 2, 2021; and

4. **Subject to the approval of the Traffic Authority, consult with accessibility staff and the Accessibility Advisory Committee regarding the insertion of geometric patterned street art in the right of way when appropriate.**

Taso Koutroulakis, Manager, Traffic Management, responded to questions of clarification from Regional Council.

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Not present: Mayor Savage

**7.2 Case 22227 – Amendments to HRM Planning Documents – The Keeping of Egg-Laying Fowl Accessory to a Residential Use**

The following was before Council:

- Staff recommendation report dated June 21, 2021
- Staff presentation dated August 31, 2021
- Correspondence from Hunter Kelly, Cheryl Karthaus, Noella Karthaus, Tamara Elwood, Chris and Heather Harman, Michael Duann

MOVED by Councillor Hendsbee, seconded by Councillor Blackburn

**THAT Halifax Regional Council give First Reading to the proposed amendments to the Regional Municipal Planning Strategy and all land use by-laws with the exception of the Regional Centre Land Use By-law (Package A), the Downtown Dartmouth Land Use By-law and the Halifax Peninsula Land Use By-law, as set out in Attachments A and B of the staff report dated June 21, 2021, to allow the keeping of hens as an accessory residential use, and schedule a public hearing.**

Ross Grant, Planner II, Regional Planning, gave a presentation on the keeping of egg-laying fowl as an accessory residential use, and responded to questions of clarification from Regional Council.

MOVED by Councillor Mancini, seconded by Councillor Russell

**THAT Halifax Regional Council direct the Chief Administrative Officer to monitor the impacts of the proposed Regional Plan and land Use By-law amendments concerning the keeping of hens and report back to Regional Council 24 months after adoption, including potential recommendations aimed at addressing any areas of concern.**

**MOTION TO AMEND PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Not present: Mayor Savage

MOVED by Councillor Hendsbee, seconded by Councillor Cleary

**THAT Halifax Regional Council direct the Chief Administrative Officer to amend the proposed land use by-law provisions concerning the keeping of hens as an accessory residential use by adjusting the maximum number of hens permitted according to lot size as follows:**

- **Up to 10 hens permitted on lots less than 4,000 square metres in size;**
- **Up to 20 hens permitted on lots between 4,000 and 6,000 square metres in size;**
- **Up to 30 hens permitted on lots between 6,000 and 10,000 square metres in size; and**
- **Up to 40 hens permitted on lots greater than 10,000 square metres in size.**

Councillor Hendsbee proposed a revision to the maximum number of hens permitted according to lot size. As provided for in section 53 (2) of Administrative Order One, *Respecting the Procedures of the Council*, the amendment was accepted as friendly.

The motion as amended now read:

MOVED by Councillor Hendsbee, seconded by Councillor Cleary

**THAT Halifax Regional Council direct the Chief Administrative Officer to amend the proposed land use by-law provisions concerning the keeping of hens as an accessory residential use by adjusting the maximum number of hens permitted according to lot size as follows:**

- Up to 10 hens permitted on lots less than 4,000 square metres in size;
- Up to 15 hens permitted on lots between 4,000 and 6,000 square metres in size;
- Up to 20 hens permitted on lots between 6,000 and 10,000 square metres in size; and
- Up to 25 hens permitted on lots greater than 10,000 square metres in size.

**MOTION TO AMEND PUT AND PASSED.** (13 in favour, 3 against)

In favour: Councillors Deagle Gammon, Hendsbee, Kent, Purdy, Austin, Mason, Smith, Cleary, Morse, Cuttell, Stoddard, Lovelace, Blackburn

Against: Deputy Mayor Outhit, Councillors Mancini, Russell

Not present: Mayor Savage

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Austin

**THAT Halifax Regional Council direct the Chief Administrative Officer to amend the proposed Land Use By-law amendments to exempt the Regional Centre from One Meter setback rules relating to Egg Laying Fowl as identified in Centre Plan Package A and B from the proposed Land Use By-law amendments.**

**MOTION TO AMEND PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Not present: Mayor Savage

The motion as amended now read:

MOVED by Councillor Hendsbee, seconded by Councillor Blackburn

**THAT Halifax Regional Council:**

1. **Give First Reading to the proposed amendments to the Regional Municipal Planning Strategy, and all land use by-laws, with the exception of the Regional Centre Land Use By-law (Package A), the Downtown Dartmouth Land Use By-law and the Halifax Peninsula Land Use By-law, as set out in Attachments A and B of the staff report dated June 21, 2021 as amended, to allow the keeping of hens as an accessory residential use, and schedule a public hearing; and**
2. **Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to monitor the impacts of the proposed Regional Plan and Land Use By-law amendments concerning the keeping of hens and report back to Regional Council 24 months after adoption, including potential recommendations aimed at addressing any areas of concern.**

**MOTION AS AMENDED PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Not present: Mayor Savage

**7.3 Proposed Amendments to Administrative Order 49, Respecting the Settlement of Actions, Proceedings and Claims; and Administrative Order 50, Respecting the Disposal of Surplus Real Property; and Administrative Order 52, Code of Conduct for Elected Municipal Officials; and Administrative Order 2018-004-ADM, Respecting Real Property Transactions; and Administrative Order 2020-004-ADM, Procurement Administrative Order - Councillor Code of Conduct – Operational Issues**

The following was before Council:

- Executive Standing Committee report dated July 30, 2021 with attached staff recommendation report dated June 4, 2021
- Extract from the July 20, 2021 Special Regional Council Minutes
- Extract from the August 17, 2021 Special Regional Council Draft Minutes

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Russell

**THAT Halifax Regional Council adopt the amendments to:**

- (a) Administrative Order 49, the Settlement of Claims Administrative Order,**
- (b) Administrative Order 50, the Disposal of Surplus Real Property Administrative Order,**
- (c) Administrative Order 52, the Code of Conduct for Elected Officials,**
- (d) Administrative Order 2018-004-ADM, the Real Property Transactions Policy, and**
- (e) Administrative Order Number 2020-004-ADM, the Procurement Policy,**

**as set out in Attachment 3 of the attached staff report dated June 4, 2021 (Attachment 1).**

John Traves, Municipal Solicitor, responded to questions of clarification from Regional Council.

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Not present: Mayor Savage

**8. VIRTUAL HEARINGS**

**8.1 Case H00486 – Request to Include 5943 Spring Garden Road, Halifax in the Registry of Heritage Property for the Halifax Regional Municipality**

This matter was deferred during the approval of the Order of Business.

**8.2 Case 21996 - Municipal Planning Strategy Amendments for 18 Scotia Drive, Bedford**

The following was before Council:

- North West Community Council report dated June 15, 2021 with attached staff recommendation report dated May 14, 2021
- Extract from the June 29, 2021 Special Regional Council Minutes
- Staff presentation dated August 31, 2021
- Applicant presentation dated August 31, 2021

Sean Gillis, Planner II, Planning and Development gave a presentation on Case 21996 and responded to questions of clarification from Regional Council.

The hearing opened at 6:11 p.m.

Deputy Mayor Outhit invited the applicant to come forward and address Council.

**Mike Cowper, Senior Real Estate Officer, representing HRM Corporate Real Estate**, spoke to the proposal and highlighted the differences between the existing zoning outlined in the Municipal Planning Strategy and the proposed amendments to classify the area as a Residential Two Unit Dwelling Zone.

Deputy Mayor Outhit reviewed the rules of procedure for public hearings and advised that there were no registered public speakers.

MOVED by Councillor Russell, seconded by Councillor Stoddard

**THAT the hearing be closed.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

The hearing closed at 6:29 p.m.

MOVED by Councillor Cleary, seconded by Councillor Russell

**THAT Halifax Regional Council adopt the proposed amendments to the Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use By-law for Bedford, as set out in Attachments A and B of the staff report dated May 14, 2021, to designate the former Sunnyside Elementary School (Waverley Road Site), 18 Scotia Drive, Bedford, as R (Residential) and apply the RTU (Two Dwelling Unit) Zone.**

Michael Wile, Manager, Acquisitions, Disposals and Industrial Land, responded to questions of clarification from Regional Council.

John Traves, Municipal Solicitor, responded to questions of clarification from Regional Council. Traves highlighted that if Regional Council would like to consider conditions of sale for this piece of land at a future meeting, a separate Notice of Motion would be required.

Deputy Mayor Outhit stepped down from the Chair and Councillor Blackburn assumed the Chair at 6:47 p.m.

Deputy Mayor Outhit resumed the Chair at 6:51 p.m.

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Not present: Mayor Savage

## **9. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS**

### **9.1 Correspondence**

Correspondence was received and circulated for items 7.1, 7.2, 11.1.6, 11.4.1, and 11.4.2.

For a detailed list of correspondence received refer to the specific agenda item.

### **9.2 Petitions**

### 9.2.1 Councillor Lovelace

Councillor Lovelace submitted a petition with 186 signatures from residents opposed to changing the name of Indian Point Road, Glen Haven, N.S.

### 9.3 Presentation – None

## 10. INFORMATION ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD – NONE

## 11. REPORTS

### 11.1 CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

#### 11.1.1 Proposed Amendments to Administrative Order 17, Respecting Remuneration for Members of Council – 2021 Remuneration Freeze

The following was before Council:

- Staff recommendation report dated June 25, 2021
- Extract from the August 17, 2021 Special Regional Council Draft Minutes

MOVED by Councillor Cleary, seconded by Councillor Hendsbee

**THAT Halifax Regional Council adopt the amendments to Administrative Order 17, the Council Member Remuneration Administrative Order, as set out in Attachment 2 of the staff report dated June 25, 2021.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Not present: Mayor Savage

#### 11.1.2 Award - Tender 21-154 - Alderney Gate Recapitalization Phase 2

The following was before Council:

- Staff recommendation report dated August 9, 2021

The following motion was approved as part of the Consent Agenda:

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Smith

**THAT Halifax Regional Council:**

- 1. Authorize an increase to the architectural consulting services contract with Abbot Brown Architects (PO. 2070812846) for changes to the contracted scope of work in the amount of \$49,331 (net HST included), with funding from Project No. CB190007 – Alderney Gate Recapitalization; and**
- 2. Award Tender 21-154, Alderney Gate Recapitalization Project Phase 2 to the lowest bidder meeting specifications, Bird Construction Group, at a cost of \$1,278,546 (net HST included) with funding from Project Account No. CB190007 – Alderney Gate Recapitalization and Project Account No. CB000046 Corporate Accommodations - Alderney as outlined in the Financial Implications section of the staff report dated August 9, 2021.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

### 11.1.3 Facility Operating Agreement - Spryfield Lions Rink and Recreation Society

The following was before Council:

- Staff recommendation report dated July 18, 2021

The following motion was approved as part of the Consent Agenda:

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Smith

**THAT Halifax Regional Council authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to execute a Facility Operating Agreement with Spryfield Lions Rink and Recreation Society substantially in the same form as set out in Attachment 1 of the staff report dated July 18, 2021.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

### 11.1.4 Funding for Field Enhancement – JL Ilsley High School

The following was before Council:

- Staff recommendation report dated August 10, 2021

MOVED by Councillor Cuttell, seconded by Councillor Stoddard

**THAT Halifax Regional Council direct the Chief Administrative Officer to respond to the Province of Nova Scotia declining the funding request for an enhanced natural grass football field at the new JL Ilsley High School in Spryfield.**

Gareth Evans, Recreation Planning Specialist, and Nalini Naidoo, Manager, Strategic Planning and Design, responded to questions of clarification from Regional Council.

**MOTION PUT AND DEFEATED.** (7 in favour, 9 against)

In favour: Councillors Deagle Gammon, Austin, Mancini, Mason, Smith, Cleary, Morse

Against: Deputy Mayor Outhit, Councillors Hendsbee, Kent, Purdy, Cuttell, Stoddard, Lovelace, Blackburn, Russell

Not present: Mayor Savage

MOVED by Councillor Cuttell, seconded by Councillor Kent

**THAT Halifax Regional Council direct the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) to negotiate and execute an agreement with the Province of Nova Scotia for a sport field enhancement at JL Ilsley High School for 50% of the cost up to \$500,000 for reciprocal community benefit as deemed reasonable by the CAO with funding from Q421 (General Contingency Reserve).**

Jerry Blackwood, Chief Financial Officer, responded to questions of clarification from Regional Council.

MOVED by Councillor Cleary, seconded by Councillor Mancini

**THAT the motion be amended to cap the cost at \$250,000.**

**MOTION TO AMEND PUT AND PASSED.** (12 in favour, 4 against)

In favour: Deputy Mayor Outhit, Councillors Deagle Gammon, Purdy, Austin, Mancini, Mason, Smith, Cleary, Morse, Lovelace, Blackburn, Russell

Against: Councillors Cuttell, Stoddard, Hendsbee, Kent

Not present: Mayor Savage

The motion as amended now read:

MOVED by Councillor Cuttell, seconded by Councillor Kent

**THAT Halifax Regional Council direct the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) to negotiate and execute an agreement with the Province of Nova Scotia for a sport field enhancement at JL Iisley High School for 50% of the cost up to \$250,000 for reciprocal community benefit as deemed reasonable by the CAO with funding from Q421 (General Contingency Reserve).**

**MOTION AS AMENDED PUT AND PASSED.** (11 in favour, 5 against)

In favour: Deputy Mayor Outhit, Councillors Hendsbee, Kent, Purdy, Austin, Mancini, Cleary, Cuttell, Stoddard, Lovelace, Russell

Against: Councillors Deagle Gammon, Mason, Smith, Morse, Blackburn

Not present: Mayor Savage

#### **11.1.5 Community Grants Program 2021 – Referrals**

The following was before Council:

- Staff recommendation report dated July 12, 2021

The following motion was approved as part of the Consent Agenda:

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Smith

**THAT Halifax Regional Council:**

- 1. Approve a capital grant in the amount of \$20,000 to the Public Good Society from Operating Account M311-8004 Community Grants; and**
- 2. Approve the Royal Canadian Legion: Eastern Marine Branch 161 request to re-assign the grant of \$2,230 previously approved for an equipment purchase towards the cost of accessibility upgrades to the Legion hall.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

#### **11.1.6 Increase to Contract, RFP (Request for Proposal) No. 19-1013 - Functional Plan for Integrated Mobility Plan AAA Bicycling Network - Peninsula South (“Peninsula South Complete Streets” Project)**

The following was before Council:

- Staff recommendation report dated August 12, 2021
- Correspondence from Larry Haiven

The following motion was approved as part of the Consent Agenda:

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Smith

**THAT Halifax Regional Council approve an increase to RFP No. 19-1013: Functional Plan for IMP AAA Bicycling Network: Peninsula South, awarded to Englobe Corporation (formerly Crandall Engineering Ltd.), in the amount of \$39,206 (net HST included) for the proposed additional scope as outlined in this report.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

#### **11.1.7 CA0119 - Cole Harbour and Area Community Boundary Project – Supplementary Report**

The following was before Council:

- Supplementary staff recommendation report dated June 22, 2021

MOVED by Councillor Kent, seconded by Councillor Purdy

**THAT Halifax Regional Council recognize:**

- 1. Cole Harbour as an official HRM Community, as per Map 1 of the staff report dated June 22, 2021, and authorize staff to install community signs as identified on Map 2 of the staff report dated June 22, 2021;**
- 2. Eastern Passage as an official HRM Community, as per Map 3 of the staff report dated June 22, 2021, and authorize staff to install community signs as identified on Map 2 of the staff report dated June 22, 2021; and**
- 3. Westphal as an official HRM Community, as per Map 4 of the staff report dated June 22, 2021, and authorize staff to install community signs as identified on Map 2 of the staff report dated June 22, 2021.**

Gayle Maclean, Civic Address Coordinator, Current Planning, and Jerry Blackwood, Chief Financial Officer, responded to questions of clarification from Regional Council.

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Not present: Mayor Savage

#### **11.1.8 AN109 - HRM Asset Names, January 1, 2021 - May 31, 2021**

The following was before Council:

- Staff recommendation report dated July 12, 2021

MOVED by Councillor Kent, seconded by Councillor Blackburn

**THAT Halifax Regional Council:**

- 1. Approve the addition of the names Phyllis Blakeley, Edmund Ryan and Sarah Jane O'Reilly to the existing Commemorative Names List as shown on Attachment A of the staff report dated July 12, 2021;**
- 2. Approve the renaming of the Glenbourne Park Soccer Field to the Clark Memorial Soccer Field (655 Parkland Dr, Halifax), as shown on Attachment B of the staff report dated July 12, 2021;**
- 3. Approve the renaming of the Mainland North Linear Greenway to the Mainland North Trail (Halifax), as shown on Attachment C of the staff report dated July 12, 2021;**

4. **Approve the housekeeping renaming of the Seaside Elementary School Playground to the Gary Babin Memorial Playground (1881 Caldwell Rd, Eastern Passage), as shown on Attachment D of the staff report dated July 12, 2021;**
5. **Approve the renaming of the Tallahassee Recreation Centre to the Horizon Recreation Centre (168 Redoubt Way, Eastern Passage), as show on Attachment E of the staff report dated July 12, 2021;**
6. **Approve the administrative park name as shown on Attachment F of the staff report dated July 12, 2021.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Not present: Mayor Savage

**11.1.9 Halifax Forum Building Analysis – Potential Partnerships**

The following was before Council:

- Staff recommendation report dated July 1, 2021

The following motion was approved as part of the Consent Agenda:

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Smith

**THAT Halifax Regional Council:**

1. **Approve the updated building program for the Halifax Forum complex as outlined in the discussion section of the staff report dated July 1, 2021, including:**
  - (a) **the freehold development site;**
  - (b) **the increase to the multipurpose program space from approximately 7,800 square feet to 14,500 square feet to accommodate the program needs of the Halifax Forum Community Association; and**
2. **Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to engage the public, in partnership with the Halifax Forum Community Association on the parking and parkland proposals, and return to Regional Council with the results of the engagement and recommendations on a final design and redevelopment approach for the Halifax Forum.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**11.1.10 Tars Rugby Club Grant Increase**

The following was before Council:

- Staff recommendation report dated August 6, 2021

MOVED by Councillor Cuttell, seconded by Councillor Lovelace

**THAT Halifax Regional Council:**

- 1. Suspend the Rules of Procedure under Schedule 2, Audit and Finance Standing Committee Terms of Reference, of Administrative Order One, the Procedures of the Council Administrative Order;**
- 2. Approve an additional \$150,000.00 grant contingent upon Halifax Tars Rugby Club securing additional funding of equal to or greater than \$150,000.00 from other sources; and**
- 3. Authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to negotiate and execute an Amending Agreement to amend the Contribution Agreement with Halifax Tars Rugby Club to provide the additional \$150,000.00 grant.**

Sarah Coley, Partnership Coordinator, Parks and Recreation, responded to questions of clarification from Regional Council.

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Not present: Mayor Savage

**11.1.11 Award – Request for Quotation 21-356, Janitorial Services – Multiple Sites**

The following was before Council:

- Staff recommendation report dated August 17, 2021

MOVED by Councillor Smith, seconded by Councillor Blackburn

**THAT Halifax Regional Council award Request for Quotation (RFQ) 21-356, Janitorial Services – Multiple Sites, for a five-year total cost of \$3,437,252 as follows:**

- 1. Seascape Building Maintenance Inc. for a five-year total price of \$706,294, net HST included, for Group 1;**
- 2. Imperial Cleaners Ltd. for a five-year total price of \$884,085, net HST included, for Group 2;**
- 3. Elejorde Cleaning Services Inc. for a five-year total price of \$526,644, net HST included, for Group 3;**
- 4. Imperial Cleaners Ltd. for a five-year total price of \$927,071, net HST included, for Group 4; and**
- 5. Elejorde Cleaning Services Inc. for a five-year total price of \$393,158, net HST included, for Group 5.**

**Funding is available from Facility Maintenance and Operations Cost Centre W200, as outlined in the Financial Implications section of the staff report dated August 17, 2021.**

Diane Chisholm, Director of Facility Maintenance, Jerry Blackwood, Chief Financial Officer, and John Traves, Municipal Solicitor, responded to questions of clarification from Regional Council.

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Not present: Mayor Savage

## **11.2 AUDIT AND FINANCE STANDING COMMITTEE**

### **11.2.1 Increase to Project No. CB000042 – Woodside Ferry Terminal Upgrades**

The following was before Council:

- Audit and Finance Standing Committee report dated August 18, 2021, with attached staff recommendation report dated July 6, 2021

The following motion was approved as part of the Consent Agenda:

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Smith

**THAT Halifax Regional Council:**

- 1. Approve a transfer of \$200,000 (net HST included) from the Project No. CB000039 Halifax Ferry Terminal;**
- 2. Approve an increase in multi-year funding for Project No. CB000042 Woodside Ferry Terminal Upgrades by \$200,000 (net HST included), in fiscal year 2021/22; and**
- 3. Approve an increase of \$60,000 (net HST included) to PO 2070847216, for CN Rail Permit Fees and Flagging Services from Project No. CB000042 – Woodside Ferry Terminal Upgrades, as outlined in the Financial Implications section of the July 6, 2021 staff report.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

## **11.3 EXECUTIVE STANDING COMMITTEE**

### **11.3.1 Proposed Amendments to Administrative Order 2017-011-GOV, Respecting the Youth Advisory Committee in the Halifax Regional Municipality**

The following was before Council:

- Executive Standing Committee report dated August 23, 2021, with attached staff recommendation report dated July 26, 2021;
- Extract from the August 17, 2021 Special Regional Council Draft Minutes

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Lovelace

**THAT Halifax Regional Council:**

- 1. Adopt the amendments to Administrative Order 2017-011-GOV, the Youth Advisory Committee Administrative Order, as set out in Attachment 2 of the staff report dated July 26, 2021; and**
- 2. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to maintain the Youth Advisory Committee as an Advisory Committee to Regional Council through the Executive Standing Committee.**

Iain MacLean, Municipal Clerk, and Lee Moore, Manager, Youth Programs, responded to questions of clarification from Regional Council.

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

## **11.4 MEMBERS OF COUNCIL**

### **11.4.1 Councillor Morse – Motion to Protect Wetlands**

The following was before Council:

- Request for Council's Consideration form submitted by Councillor Morse
- Correspondence from Kathleen J. Hall and Martha Leary

MOVED by Councillor Morse, seconded by Councillor Deagle Gammon

**THAT Halifax Regional Council direct the Chief Administrative Officer to review the Municipality's policies and regulations regarding wetlands as part of the Regional Plan Review, with the goal of maintaining their ecological functions, particularly in urban areas. This review should include consultation with the Province regarding applicable wetland legislation and recommend appropriate municipal regulations.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

#### **11.4.2 Councillor Morse – Motion to Support Implementation of Green Network Plan**

The following was before Council:

- Request for Council's consideration form submitted by Councillor Morse
- Correspondence from Kathleen J. Hall and Martha Leary

MOVED by Councillor Morse, seconded by Councillor Mancini

**THAT Halifax Regional Council direct the Chief Administrative Officer to assess the resources needed for full implementation of the Green Network Plan as part of the 2022/2023 Budget and Business Planning process.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

#### **12. MOTIONS – NONE**

#### **13. IN CAMERA (IN PRIVATE)**

MOVED by Councillor Russell, seconded by Councillor Lovelace

**THAT Halifax Regional Council convene to In Camera (In Private) to discuss items 13.2, 13.3, 13.4, 13.5, 13.6 and 13.8.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

#### **13.1 In Camera (In Private) Minutes – July 20, 2021**

This matter was dealt with in public.

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Russell

**THAT the In Camera (In Private) minutes of July 20, 2021 be approved as circulated.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

#### **13.2 PROPERTY MATTER - Private and Confidential Report – Deferred from August 17, 2021**

Mayor Savage resumed the Chair at 8:06 p.m.

This matter was dealt with In Camera (In Private) and ratified in public as follows:

MOVED by Councillor Purdy, seconded by Councillor Kent

**THAT Halifax Regional Council:**

- 1. Adopt the recommendations from the private and confidential staff report dated February 10, 2020**
- 2. Direct that the private and confidential staff report dated February 10, 2020 be maintained private and confidential.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED.** (12 in favour, 3 against)

In favour: Mayor Savage, Councillors Deagle Gammon, Kent, Austin, Mancini, Mason, Smith, Morse, Cuttell, Lovelace, Blackburn, Russell

Against: Councillors Hendsbee, Purdy, Stoddard

Not present: Deputy Mayor Outhit, Councillor Cleary

**13.3 LEGAL ADVICE - Private and Confidential Report – Deferred from August 17, 2021**

This matter was dealt with In Camera (In Private) and ratified in public as follows:

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Russell

**THAT Halifax Regional Council:**

- 1. Adopt the recommendations as outlined in the private and confidential staff report dated July 21, 2021; and**
- 2. Release the private and confidential staff report dated July 21, 2021 to the public.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Not present: Deputy Mayor Outhit, Councillor Cleary

**13.4 PERSONNEL MATTER - Private and Confidential Report – Deferred from August 17, 2021**

This matter was dealt with In Camera (In Private) and ratified in public as follows:

MOVED by Councillor Russell, seconded by Councillor Mason

**THAT Halifax Regional Council:**

- 1. Adopt the recommendations as outlined in the private and confidential staff report dated August 9, 2021; and**
- 2. Direct that the private and confidential staff report dated August 9, 2021 be maintained private and confidential.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Not present: Deputy Mayor Outhit, Councillor Cleary

**13.5 INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS - Private and Confidential Report**

This matter was dealt with In Camera (In Private) and ratified in public as follows:

MOVED by Councillor Russell, seconded by Councillor Deagle Gammon

**THAT Halifax Regional Council:**

- 1. Adopt the recommendations as outlined in the private and confidential staff report dated August 8, 2021; and**
- 2. Release the private and confidential staff report dated August 8, 2021 to the public once the conditions as outlined in the report have been met.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Not present: Deputy Mayor Outhit, Councillor Cleary

### **13.6 PROPERTY MATTER - Private and Confidential Report**

This matter was dealt with In Camera (In Private) and ratified in public as follows:

MOVED by Councillor Hendsbee, seconded by Councillor Kent

**THAT Halifax Regional Council:**

- 1. Adopt the recommendations as outlined in the private and confidential document dated August 31, 2021; and**
- 2. Direct that the private and confidential document dated August 31, 2021 be maintained private and confidential.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Not present: Deputy Mayor Outhit, Councillor Cleary

### **13.7 PERSONNEL MATTER - Private and Confidential Report**

The following was before Council:

- Private and confidential staff report dated August 23, 2021

This matter was dealt with in public.

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Russell

**THAT Halifax Regional Council:**

- 1. Adopt the recommendations as outlined in the private and confidential staff report dated August 23, 2021; and**
- 2. Direct that the private and confidential staff report dated August 23, 2021 be maintained private and confidential.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

### **13.8 PERSONNEL MATTER - Private and Confidential Report**

This matter was dealt with In Camera (In Private) and ratified in public as follows:

MOVED by Councillor Mancini, seconded by Councillor Russell

**THAT Item 13.8 PERSONNEL MATTER – *Private and Confidential Report* be referred to administration as discussed during the August 31, 2021 In Camera meeting.**

**MOTION TO REFER PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Not present: Deputy Mayor Outhit, Councillor Cleary

#### **14. ADDED ITEMS**

##### **14.1 Mayor Savage – Crisis Housing**

The following was before Council:

- Request for Council's Consideration form submitted by Mayor Savage

Mayor Savage stepped down as Chair at 10:30 a.m. and Deputy Mayor Outhit assumed the Chair.

MOVED by Mayor Savage, seconded by Councillor Mason

**THAT Halifax Regional Council Waive the Rules of Order in order to:**

- 1. Suspend the notice provisions associated with motions;**
- 2. Waive the requirement for a Staff Report; and**
- 3. Suspend the rules of procedure under section 8 of Schedule 2, the Audit and Finance Standing Committee Terms of Reference, of Administrative Order One, the Procedures of the Council Administrative Order.**

**And:**

**Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to implement a range of emergency supportive housing and emergency shelter accommodations for those who are unhoused in collaboration with and based on feedback from community-based social services providers and the Province of Nova Scotia to address immediate and emergent needs including measures such as the fit-up of spaces for temporary accommodations, renting of hotel and other spaces and further, and to coordinate and collaborate with community-based social services providers and the Province of Nova Scotia in that respect;**

**Direct that the Chief Administrative Officer be authorized to spend up to \$500,000 from Fiscal Services in respect of addressing these needs, and report on the use of said funds quarterly at a minimum; and,**

**Further direct the Chief Administrative Officer to work with Department of Community Services and community service providers on a needs-analysis including determining how many people are unhoused, how many of them are currently tenting or occupying other forms of shelter within parks and other public lands in Halifax Regional Municipality and how many can be accommodated in a safer manner.**

Jacques Dubé, Chief Administrative Officer, made a presentation to Regional Council regarding crisis housing and responded to questions of clarification from Regional Council.

Councillor Smith proposed monthly reporting to Regional Council. As provided for in section 53 (2) of Administrative Order One, *Respecting the Procedures of the Council*, the amendment was accepted as friendly.

The motion as amended now read:

MOVED by Mayor Savage, seconded by Councillor Mason

**THAT Halifax Regional Council Waive the Rules of Order in order to:**

- 1. Suspend the notice provisions associated with motions;**
- 2. Waive the requirement for a Staff Report; and**
- 3. Suspend the rules of procedure under section 8 of Schedule 2, the Audit and Finance Standing Committee Terms of Reference, of Administrative Order One, the Procedures of the Council Administrative Order.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

MOVED by Mayor Savage, seconded by Councillor Mason

**THAT Halifax Regional Council:**

**Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to implement a range of emergency supportive housing and emergency shelter accommodations for those who are unhoused in collaboration with and based on feedback from community-based social services providers and the Province of Nova Scotia to address immediate and emergent needs including measures such as the fit-up of spaces for temporary accommodations, renting of hotel and other spaces and further, and to coordinate and collaborate with community-based social services providers and the Province of Nova Scotia in that respect;**

**Direct that the Chief Administrative Officer be authorized to spend up to \$500,000 from Fiscal Services in respect of addressing these needs, and report on the use of said funds through monthly public updates as an information report at Regional Council meetings until the end of the fiscal year and then quarterly at a minimum; and,**

**Further direct the Chief Administrative Officer to work with Department of Community Services and community service providers on a needs-analysis including determining how many people are unhoused, how many of them are currently tenting or occupying other forms of shelter within parks and other public lands in Halifax Regional Municipality and how many can be accommodated in a safer manner.**

**MOTION AS AMENDED PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

#### **14.2 Rapid Housing Initiative – Round 2 Projects**

The following was before Council:

- Staff recommendation report dated August 25, 2021
- Staff presentation dated August 31, 2021

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Kent

THAT Halifax Regional Council authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to:

1. Enter into the Rapid Housing Initiative Agreement with Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation ("CMHC"), substantially in accordance with the draft form in Attachment A, to accept \$12,979,021 for the creation of a minimum of 43 affordable housing units by the Affordable Housing Association of Nova Scotia, Souls Harbour and Akoma Holdings Incorporated as further discussed in this report; and
2. Negotiate and execute Contribution Agreements, and any amendments or consents arising from them, with recipients, to distribute CMHC Rapid Housing Initiative funding for approved projects.

Jill MacLellan, Planner III, Regional Planning, gave a presentation on the Rapid Housing Initiative and responded to questions of clarification from Regional Council.

Councillor Hendsbee was recused from the meeting during consideration of this item having declared an interest in the matter.

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Not present: Mayor Savage, Councillor Hendsbee

**14.3 Councillor Lovelace – Lived Experience Advisory Committee on Homelessness for HRM**

The following was before Council:

- Request for Council's Consideration form submitted by Councillor Lovelace

MOVED by Councillor Lovelace, seconded by Councillor Kent

**THAT Halifax Regional Council request a staff report and recommendations with respect to the establishment of a "Lived Experience Advisory Committee on Homelessness for HRM" designed collaboratively with community partners. This report and recommendations must be based on the principle that systemic problems need systemic solutions inclusive of those most impacted by homelessness.**

Councillor Cuttell proposed training opportunities for Halifax Regional Municipality staff and Regional Council. As provided for in section 53 (2) of Administrative Order One, *Respecting the Procedures of the Council*, the amendment was accepted as friendly.

The motion as amended now read:

**THAT Halifax Regional Council request a staff report and recommendations with respect to the establishment of a "Lived Experience Advisory Committee on Homelessness for HRM" designed collaboratively with community partners. This report and recommendations must be based on the principle that systemic problems need systemic solutions inclusive of those most impacted by homelessness and include provisions that would make training opportunities available to Halifax Regional Municipality staff and Regional Council on the impacts of mental health, addictions, and trauma.**

**MOTION AS AMENDED PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Not present: Mayor Savage

**15. NOTICES OF MOTION**

**15.1 Councillor Morse**

TAKE NOTICE that, at a future meeting of Halifax Regional Council, I intend to move that Council consider adopting, by policy, a Public Participation Program, the purpose of which is to initiate a process to consider amendments to the Regional Municipal Planning Strategy to establish an Interim Density Bonusing Program for land outside of the Regional Centre.

**15.2 Councillor Lovelace**

TAKE NOTICE that, at the next regular Regional Council meeting, to be held on Tuesday, September 14, 2021, I propose to move a Motion that Regional Council to request a staff report to fund the NSUARB ordered stormwater right-of-way cost as general tax, since all municipal roads are general rated and paid for by all taxpayers; and, all dwelling and commercial properties in HRM benefit from effectively managed stormwater on municipal roadways, not including properties that are essentially ancillary to a dwelling.

**15.3 Councillor Mason**

TAKE NOTICE that, at a future meeting of Halifax Regional Council, I intend to move First Reading of proposed By-law S-316, the purpose of which is to amend By-law S-300, Respecting Streets, in order to mandate the undergrounding of all utility infrastructure in the Cogswell District.

**16. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 10:04 p.m.

Iain MacLean  
Municipal Clerk