



## HALIFAX REGIONAL COUNCIL ACTION SUMMARY

January 15, 2019

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### **1. CALL TO ORDER – 10:00 a.m.**

### **2. SPECIAL COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS & ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

*Councillors noted a number of special community announcements and acknowledgements.*

### **3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Committee of the Whole November 27 and December 4, 2018 and Regional Council November 27, December 4 and 11, 2018**

*Approved as circulated. Approved minutes can be viewed online at <https://www.halifax.ca/city-hall/agendas-meetings-reports>*

### **4. APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF BUSINESS AND APPROVAL OF ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS**

*Item 14.1.1 Second Reading Proposed By-law S-501 an Amendment to By-law S-500 Respecting Charges for Solar City Program and Item 14.1.3 Second Reading Proposed By-law S-447 an Amendment to By-law S-400 Respecting Charges for Street Improvements must be dealt with at 1 p.m. due to public submission deadline.*

*Council agreed to deal with Item 14.7.2 Councillor Austin – Black and Blue Bins ahead of Item 14.2.1 Single-use Item Reduction Strategy*

*Additions:*

*17.1 Mayor Savage – Ratification of Councillor Appointments from North West Community Council*

*17.2 Fly-Past Request – HMCS Ville De Quebec and the end of the First Operational Deployment of the CH-148 Cyclone*

*Order of Business approved as amended.*

*Council approved a motion to defer Item 14.6.1 Case H00456 - Substantial Alterations to municipally registered heritage properties at 5969 College Street and 1452 & 1456 Carlton Street, Halifax and Item 14.6.2 Case H00461 - Substantial Alteration to municipally registered heritage properties at 1478, 1480, 1484 and 1494 Carlton Street, Halifax to the next regularly scheduled meeting of Regional Council.*

### **5. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES – NONE**

### **6. CALL FOR DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTERESTS – NONE**

### **7. MOTIONS OF RECONSIDERATION – NONE**

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

## **9. CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS – July 31, 2018**

### **9.1 Proposed Amendments to Administrative Order 29, Respecting Civic Addressing Policies - Noblehill Lane Naming (Supplementary Report)**

*Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council adopt the proposed amendment to Administrative Order 29 Respecting Civic Addressing Policies as set out in Attachment A of the supplementary staff report dated November 20, 2018 in order to approve the naming of a new private lane as identified in Attachment A and Map 1 of the supplementary staff report dated November 20, 2018.*

## **10. NOTICES OF TABLED MATTERS – NONE**

## **11. PUBLIC HEARING – NONE**

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

### **12.1 Correspondence**

*The Clerk noted that correspondence was received for items 14.1.4, 14.2.1, 14.3.1, 14.6.1 and 14.6.2. This correspondence was circulated to Council.*

### **12.2 Petitions**

#### **12.2.1 Councillor Zurawski**

*Councillor Zurawski submitted a petition from “Bag-Free City” in favour of a single-use plastic-bag ban.*

### **12.3 Presentation – HRM Pension Plan (HRMPP) Update**

#### **i) HRM Pension Plan Annual Report 2017**

#### **ii) HRM Pension Plan Actuarial Valuation – December 31, 2017**

*Presentation given. No further action taken at this time.*

## **13. INFORMATION ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD – NONE**

## **14. REPORTS**

### **14.1 CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

#### **14.1.1 Second Reading Proposed By-law S-501 an Amendment to By-law S-500 Respecting Charges for Solar City Program**

*Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council:*

- 1. adopt By-law S-501, amending By-law S-500, the Solar City By-law as set out in Attachment 2 of the staff report dated December 5, 2018; and*
- 2. adopt the amendments to Administrative Order 15, License, Permits and Processing Fees Administrative Order, as set out in Attachment 4 of the staff report dated December 5, 2018.*

#### **14.1.2 Utilizing Wetland Compensation Funding for Municipal Projects**

*Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council direct staff to prepare and maintain a list of HRM-based potential wetland projects where wetland compensation funding, collected by Nova Scotia Environment, could be readily directed, and to share this information with Nova Scotia Environment.*

#### **14.1.3 Second Reading Proposed By-law S-447 an Amendment to By-law S-400 Respecting Charges for Street Improvements**

*Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council:*

1. approve the 2017 Local Improvement Charges as outlined in Attachment 1 of the staff report dated October 2, 2018; and
2. adopt By-law S-447, amending By-law S-400, the Street Improvement By-law as set out in Attachment 1 of the staff report dated October 2, 2018.

#### **14.1.4 Case 21937 – Regional Municipal Planning Strategy Amendments to enable amendments to the existing Development Agreement for Seven Lakes Development, Porters Lake**

Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council direct staff to:

1. Initiate a process to consider amendments to the Regional Municipal Planning Strategy pertaining to the Seven Lakes Development, Porters Lake, to enable the consideration of substantive and non-substantive development agreement amendments in accordance with the policies in effect at the time the development agreement was approved;
2. Initiate a process to consider amendments to the Regional Municipal Planning Strategy pertaining to all existing Conservation Design Developments, to enable the consideration of non-substantive amendments, in accordance with the policies in effect at the time the development agreement was approved; and
3. Follow the public participation program as outlined in the Community Engagement section of the staff report dated December 4, 2018.

#### **14.1.5 Recycling Agreement with the Municipality of Chester**

Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council authorize the Mayor and Clerk's Office to execute a contract with the Municipality of Chester for the receipt and processing of Chester's recyclable materials, based upon the terms and conditions table and budget implications as outlined in the staff report dated November 13, 2018.

#### **14.1.6 Parking Fine Alternatives**

Motion approved **as amended** that Halifax Regional Council:

1. Suspend the rules of procedures under section 142 of Administrative Order One;
2. Request the Province amend the Summary Offence Ticket Regulations to increase parking fines for "other" parking types only; not inclusive parking meter violations, as outlined in Option 1, Attachment D (Appendix A) of the staff report dated February 10, 2017, with the following amendment:  
The requested increase to the fine amounts be amended so:  
(a) all Category A (parking) offences are increased from \$25.00 to \$50.00 (rather than \$45.00 as recommended by Committee of the Whole);  
**(b) all Category B (parking) offences are increased from \$50.00 to \$100.00; and**  
(c) all Category C (parking) offences are increased from \$100.00 to \$200.00 rather than \$150.00; and
3. Request the Mayor write a letter to the Province to request the required amendments to the Summary Offence Ticket Regulations.

#### **14.1.7 Request for Transfer of Ownership of Public Art – "The Sailor," Atlantic Chiefs and Petty Officers Association**

Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council:

1. Accept the donation of the bronze sculpture "The Sailor" situated on the property of Sackville Landing, Summit Plaza, Lower Water Street (PID 40536906), from the Atlantic Chiefs and Petty Officers Association to the Municipality, and authorize the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to execute a Deed of Gift (Attachment 1 to the staff report dated January 7, 2019) to transfer the ownership; and
2. Waive the requirement, under Policy 1.3 of the HRM Public Art Policy, for the provision of a funding donation for the ongoing maintenance of the work.

#### **14.1.8 Investing in Canada Infrastructure Plan (ICIP) Environmental Quality Funding Applications**

*Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council submit the following two projects for consideration under the ICIP Environmental Quality funding program:*

- *Herring Cove water and wastewater servicing Phase 2B*
- *Halifax Peninsula Water Transmission Main Expansion & Upgrade.*

### **14.2 ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY STANDING COMMITTEE**

#### **14.2.1 Single-use Item Reduction Strategy**

*Motion approved as amended that Halifax Regional Council direct staff to:*

- 1. Initiate an education campaign for residents and the ICI sector focused on the reduction of single-use plastics;*
- 2. Review and update the 2009 HRM Corporate Guidelines for Greening Meetings and Catering Requirements; and*
- 3. Collaborate with the ten largest NS municipalities and develop, in accordance with AO 2017-002-ADM, respecting the Charter of Governing Principles for Regulation, a By-law for Council's consideration as soon as possible but no later than December 2019, to eliminate the distribution of single-use plastic bags without first attempting a voluntary approach.*

### **14.3 TRANSPORTATION STANDING COMMITTEE**

#### **14.3.1 Future Roles and Responsibilities of Community Trails Associations with Respect to Active Transportation Facilities**

*Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council direct staff to:*

- 1. Continue Municipal funding support for volunteer community associations who plan, build, maintain and promote active transportation facilities in the municipality;*
- 2. Develop an Administrative Order for Regional Council's consideration that updates roles and responsibilities and establishes a Municipal grant/contribution program to support the work of such associations; and*
- 3. Consult with community associations, the provincial government, the Halifax Regional Trails Association, HRM officials and other stakeholders in the development of this proposed Administrative Order on key issues as outlined in the discussion section of the August 10, 2018 staff report.*

#### **14.3.2 Peak Hour Transit Service in North Beaver Bank**

*Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council direct staff to continue with the implementation of Route 89 and Route 189 as approved in the Moving Forward Together Plan.*

#### **14.3.3 Mumford Transit Terminal – Replacement Assessment Study**

*Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council:*

- 1. Approve the new location of the Mumford Terminal at the Halifax Shopping Centre as generally shown in Attachment A of the staff report dated October 31, 2018 - Mumford Transit Terminal: Replacement Assessment Study – Final Report;*
- 2. Direct staff to continue to negotiate with Cushman and Wakefield, the Halifax Shopping Centre property managers, for commitment to support the location of the new Mumford Terminal as outlined in the staff report dated October 31, 2018; and*
- 3. Direct staff to proceed with a revised functional plan once an agreement has been reached with Cushman and Wakefield.*

## **14.4 HALIFAX AND WEST COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

### **14.4.1 Point Pleasant Park Mobile App**

*Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council direct staff to develop and embed a Story Map in the existing Point Pleasant Park web page as a pilot project within the Halifax.ca website for 2019, and monitor the usage and popularity for future consideration in other parks.*

### **14.4.2 Case 21379 - Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use By-law Amendments for Planning District 4 (Prospect) to allow a church at 797 Prospect Road, Goodwood**

*Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council give First Reading to consider the proposed amendments to the Municipal Planning Strategy (MPS) and Land Use By-law (LUB) for Planning District 4 (Prospect), as set out in Attachments A and B of the staff report dated October 10, 2018, to allow for a church at 797 Prospect Road, Goodwood, and schedule a public hearing.*

### **14.4.3 Case 20267- Amendments to the Halifax Municipal Planning Strategy and Halifax Peninsula Land Use By-law, and a proposed development agreement to enable a five-storey building on lands fronting Chebucto Road, Beech Street and Elm Street, Halifax**

*Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council give First Reading to consider the proposed amendments to the Municipal Planning Strategy for Halifax and the Land Use By-law for Halifax Peninsula, as set out in Attachments A and B of the staff report dated November 28, 2018, to allow a five-storey plus penthouse mixed-use building by development agreement at 6482 Chebucto Road, 2586 Beech Street and 2585 Elm Street, Halifax, and schedule a joint public hearing with Halifax and West Community Council.*

### **14.4.4 Case 21336 - Amendments to the Halifax Municipal Planning Strategy and Halifax Mainland Land Use By-law to enable multi-unit residential development on a portion of 29 McFatridge Road, Halifax**

*Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council give First Reading to consider the proposed amendments to the Municipal Planning Strategy for Halifax and the Land Use By-law for Halifax Mainland, as set out in Attachment A and Attachment B of the staff report dated November 19, 2018, to reduce residential parking requirements in the C-2C (Dutch Village Road Mixed-Use) Zone, and to re-designate and rezone lands at 29 McFatridge Road in Halifax (fronting Joseph Howe Drive), to allow for multi-unit residential development, and schedule a public hearing.*

## **14.5 NORTH WEST COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

### **14.5.1 Case 21212 - Amendments to the Planning Districts 1 & 3 (St. Margarets Bay) Municipal Planning Strategy (MPS) and Land Use By-law (LUB) for 8646 and 8650 Peggys Cove Road, Indian Harbour (PID 40037327)**

*Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council give First Reading to consider the proposed amendments to the Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use By-law for Planning Districts 1 & 3 (St. Margarets Bay), as set out in Attachments A and B of the staff report dated November 20, 2018, to accommodate resorts within the C-3 (Tourist Industry) Zone and permit a resort at 8646 and 8650 Peggys Cove Road, Indian Harbour and schedule a public hearing.*

## **14.6 HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

### **14.6.1 Case H00456 - Substantial Alterations to municipally registered heritage properties at 5969 College Street and 1452 & 1456 Carlton Street, Halifax**

*This matter was differed to the next regularly scheduled meeting of Regional Council by way of motion.*

**14.6.2 Case H00461 - Substantial Alteration to municipally registered heritage properties at 1478, 1480, 1484 and 1494 Carlton Street, Halifax**

*This matter was deferred to the next regularly scheduled meeting of Regional Council by way of motion.*

**14.7 MEMBERS OF COUNCIL**

**14.7.1 Mayor Savage – Ratification of Councillor Appointments from Standing Committees and Community Council**

*Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council adopt the recommendations of the Standing Committee and Community Council Councillor Appointments as outlined in Attachment 1 of the report dated December 19, 2018.*

**14.7.2 Councillor Austin – Black and Blue Bins**

*Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council request a staff report on adopting a bin program for recycling and garbage.*

**14.7.3 Mayor Savage – Appointment of 2019-20 HRM Budget Committee Chair – Councillor Karsten**

*Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council suspend, for the 2019/2020 budget process, the requirement as set out in Administrative Order #1, Schedule 4, Section 4 that the Chair of Audit and Finance Standing Committee be the Chair of the Standing Committee of the Whole on Budget and appoint Councillor Karsten Chair of the Standing Committee for this budget process.*

**15. MOTIONS**

**15.1 Councillor Adams**

*Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council request a staff report to determine what steps would be necessary to accommodate a program known as Homes for Heroes in the HRM. This program offers housing for homeless vets in small scale development on sites between one half to two acres in size.*

**15.2 Councillor Blackburn**

*Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council request a staff report on the authority for and options to regulate vehicle immobilization (also known as booting/wheel-clamping) on private property - similar to the City of Moncton's By-Law T-618 Respecting the Immobilization of Vehicles in the City of Moncton - to address concerns brought forward by residents as follows:*

- *the cost of having a vehicle freed from immobilization/booting/wheel-clamping*
- *uncertainty of identity of person requesting payment*
- *option to pay credit/debit rather than cash*
- *timeframe for having vehicle freed ("boot/wheel-clamp") removed.*

**16. IN CAMERA (IN PRIVATE)**

*Council may rise and go into a private In Camera session, in accordance with Section 19 of the Halifax Regional Municipality Charter, for the purpose of dealing with the following:*

**16.1 In Camera (In Private) Minutes – December 4 and 11, 2018**

*This matter was dealt with in public. Motion approved that the In Camera (In Private) minutes of December 4 and 11, 2018 be approved as circulated.*

**16.2 PERSONNEL MATTER – Ratification of Citizen Appointments to Board and Committees**

*Citizen and Councillor appointments to boards and committees in keeping with the Public Appointment*

Policy adopted by Regional Council in August 2011, to be found at <https://www.halifax.ca/city-hall/boards-committees-commissions/volunteer-boards-committees/public-appointment-policy>

*This matter was dealt with in public. Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council:*

- 1. Adopt the recommendations of the Executive Standing Committee regarding citizen appointments as outlined in Attachment 1 of the private and confidential staff report dated December 19, 2018.*
- 2. It is further recommended that the Citizen Appointments be released to the public following ratification and notification of the successful candidates.*
- 3. That the private and confidential report dated December 19, 2018 not be released to the public.*

### **16.3 INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS – HRM Pension Plan (HRMPP) Update – Private and Confidential Report**

A matter pertaining to any subject, the discussion of which could, violate the confidentiality of information obtained from another body of government, or a public body.

*This matter was dealt with in public. Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council:*

- 1. approve the recommendation as outlined in the private and confidential staff report dated January 4, 2019.*
- 2. It is further recommended that the private and confidential report dated January 4, 2019 and recommendation not be released to the public.*

## **17. ADDED ITEMS**

### **17.1 Mayor Savage – Ratification of Councillor Appointments from North West Community Council**

*Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council appoint Councillor Blackburn to the Special Events Advisory Committee as the representative from North West Community Council.*

### **17.2 Fly-Past Request – HMCS Ville De Quebec and the end of the First Operational Deployment of the CH-148 Cyclone**

*Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council grant permission for the Canadian Armed Forces to fly up to eight Cyclone helicopters over the Bedford Basin toward the Dockyard, at a height of 500 feet above the tallest obstacle, on January 21, 2019 as the HMCS Ville De Quebec returns to Halifax Harbour and marks the end of the first operational deployment of the CH-148 Cyclone.*

## **18. NOTICES OF MOTION**

### **18.1 Councillor Mason**

*“TAKE NOTICE that, at the next regularly scheduled meeting of Halifax Regional Council to be held on January 29, 2019, I intend to move a motion to request a staff report regarding opportunities and challenges for addressing quality of life concerns for residents living and working along truck routes from Mackay on Barrington, Hollis, Lower Water to the Port of Halifax, including but not limited to improving paving standards, complete street design, signal timing, and time of day restricts, and including consultation with residents and port stakeholder.”*

### **18.2 Councillor Cleary**

*“TAKE NOTICE that, at the next regularly scheduled meeting of Halifax Regional Council to be held on January 29, 2019, I will move the following motion:*

*That Halifax Regional Council request a staff report that assesses the costs and benefits of implementing the following snow clearing standards when snowfalls are 30 cms or less:*

**Major Roads (main arterials, major bus routes, steep inclines, emergency routes, streets to schools and public buildings):**

- after snowfall begins, deploy resources within 2-4 hours;
- continue plowing/salting every 3 hours during weather event;
- cleared within 12 hours of end of weather event.

**Secondary & Residential Streets:**

- after snowfall begins, deploy resources within 6-8 hours or when accumulations have reached 10 cms for cut-throughs;
- continue plowing/salting every 8 hours during extended weather events;
- cleared to passable within 24 hours from the end of a weather event.

**Cycling Lanes and Sidewalks in downtown core of Halifax & Dartmouth:**

- after snowfall begins, deploy resources within 4 hours;
- continue clearing/salting every 4-8 hours during extended weather events;
- clearing within 12 hours from end of weather event.

**Cycle Lanes and Primary Sidewalks (bus routes, commercial mainstreets) outside of downtown:**

- after snowfall begins, deploy resources within 4-6 hours;
- continue clearing/salting every 8 hours during extended weather event;
- cleared within 16 hours from end of weather event.”

### **18.3 Councillor Cleary**

*“TAKE NOTICE that, at the next regularly scheduled meeting of Halifax Regional Council to be held on January 29, 2019, I will move the following motion:*

*That Halifax Regional Council request a staff report on the costs and benefits of providing or subsidizing a temporary pedestrian and cyclist ferry service from the Dingle Park public dock to either or all of the following destinations:*

- south eastern side of North West Arm at Waegwoltic dock;
  - a floating dock at end of South Street;
  - dock at end of Jubilee Road;
  - and/or the public docks on the Halifax and Dartmouth waterfronts;
- from approximately mid-April to August 2019 to coincide with the CN Rail bridge repairs for Quinpool Road rail cut.*

*This staff report should be completed quickly and included in our budget discussion for the 2019-20 budget year.”*

### **18.4 Councillor Whitman**

*“TAKE NOTICE that, at the next regularly scheduled meeting of Halifax Regional Council to be held on January 29, 2019, I propose to ask Regional Council to ask for a staff report and recommendation regarding enabling ride hailing services such as Uber and Lyft in HRM.”*

### **18.5 Councillor Whitman**

*“TAKE NOTICE that, at the next regularly scheduled meeting of Halifax Regional Council to be held on January 29, 2019, I intent to move the following amendment to Administrative Order 17, the Council Member Remuneration Administrative Order:*



*Adding section 5 as follows:*

*5. (1) Notwithstanding section 2CA, there shall be no further increase in the annual remuneration for Members until November 1, 2020.*

*(2) For greater certainty, the next pay increase for Members shall be calculated for the period running from September 1, 2019 to September 1, 2020 based on the Average Weekly Earnings pursuant to section 2CA."*

**19. ADJOURNMENT – 6:32 p.m.**

#### **INFORMATION ITEMS**

1. Proclamation – Red Tape Awareness Week – January 21-25, 2019
2. Memorandum from the Municipal Clerk dated January 7, 2019 re: Requests for Presentation to Council – Jordi Morgan, Chair of the Business Advisory Panel of the Joint Project for Regulatory Modernization
3. Memorandum from the Director of Parks and Recreation dated January 3, 2019 re: Off-leash Dog Area, Long Lake Provincial Park
4. Memorandum from the Director of Parks and Recreation dated January 11, 2019 re: HRM Public Safety Strategy Update