



HALIFAX REGIONAL COUNCIL ACTION SUMMARY

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May 14, 2019

1. CALL TO ORDER – 1:00 p.m.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION – CITIZENSHIP AWARDS – 6:00 P.M.

2. SPECIAL COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS & ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Councillors noted a number of special community announcements and acknowledgements.

The Mayor and Councillors presented the Citizenship Awards for 2019.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – April 16, 2019

Approved as presented. These 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

Additions:

18.1 Councillor Nicoll – Participation in UN Women Safe Cities and Safe Public Spaces Global Flagship Programme

Information Items:

7. Proclamation – International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia and Biphobia – May 17, 2019

Council agreed to deal with item 15.2.2 Case H00437 – Strategy for the Protection of Potential Heritage Resources in Downtown Halifax (Map 6) prior to item 15.2.1 Case H00460 – Protection of Heritage Buildings.

Agenda approved as amended.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

As requested, Council agreed to deal with items 15.1.1 and 15.1.2 separately.

Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council approve the following item: 15.1.3.

6. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES – NONE

7. CALL FOR DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTERESTS – NONE

8. MOTIONS OF RECONSIDERATION – NONE

9. MOTIONS OF RESCISSION – NONE

10. CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS – April 30, 2019

10.1 First Reading Proposed By-law F-400, Respecting the Distribution of Flyers – Flyer Delivery in HRM

Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council give First Reading to proposed By-law F-400, Respecting the Distribution of Flyers, as set out in the revised Attachment 1 of the staff report dated February 15, 2019.

11. NOTICES OF TABLED MATTERS – NONE

12. PUBLIC HEARING – NONE

13. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS

13.1 Correspondence

The Clerk noted that correspondence was received for items: 10.1, 15.1.2, 15.1.4 and 15.2.2. This correspondence was circulated to Council.

13.2 Petitions – None

14. INFORMATION ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD – NONE

15. REPORTS

15.1 CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

15.1.1 Award – Request for Proposal (RFP) 19-163 - Scotiabank Centre Video Production Control Room Replacement

Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council award Request for Proposal (RFP) 19-163, Scotiabank Centre Video Production Control Room Replacement to the highest scoring proponent, Matrix Video Communications Corp., for a total price of \$1,250,602 (HST fully refundable) with funding from CB000028 – Scotiabank Centre, as outlined in the Financial Implications section of the staff report dated April 23, 2019.

15.1.2 CA0119 Cole Harbour and Area Community Boundary Project

*Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council **defer recommendations 1, 3 and 5** as outlined in the staff report dated April 4, 2019, and request a supplementary report recognizing Cole Harbour as an official HRM community based on Map 3 unamended, Map 10 as amended, Map 7 unamended and Map 14 as amended.*

Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council recognize:

- 2. Cow Bay as an official HRM Community, as per Map 3 of the staff report dated April 4, 2019; and*
- 4. Shearwater as an official HRM Community, as per Map 5 of the staff report dated April 4, 2019.*

15.1.3 Dartmouth Heritage Museum Society Management Agreement

Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to execute the five-year Management and Operating Agreement with the Dartmouth Heritage Museum Society substantially in the same form as set out in Attachment 1 of the staff report dated May 8, 2019, with annual funding of \$100,000.

15.1.4 Long Term Aquatic Strategy

Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council:

1. Approve the Long-Term Aquatic Strategy (Attachments A and B of the staff report dated May 1, 2019) as the strategic direction for municipal aquatic facility planning; and
2. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to incorporate subsequent implementation plans into future annual Business Plans for Regional Council's consideration.

15.2 COMMUNITY PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STANDING COMMITTEE

15.2.1 Case H00460 – Protection of Heritage Buildings - Options and Financial Implications

Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council:

1. Adopt the amendments to Administrative Order 2014-002-ADM, Respecting the Heritage Incentives Program, as set out in Attachment B of the staff report dated February 7, 2019, to increase the maximum yearly residential grant to \$15,000 and the maximum commercial grant to \$25,000 for approved work under the program, **beginning with** applications received for financial assistance for the 2020-2021 fiscal year; and

That Halifax Regional Council direct the Chief Administrative Officer to:

2. Prepare amendments to By-law B-201 (The Building Code By-law) and return to Regional Council for its consideration, to include registered heritage properties in the list of applications which are exempt from municipal building permit fees when such fees pertain to the maintenance, preservation or restoration of the exterior of a registered heritage building, for implementation in fiscal year 2020/21;
3. Consider increasing the annual funding to the Heritage Incentives Program to \$300,000 per year, during the 2020/21 operating budget development process;
4. Return to Regional Council with a report and recommendations with respect to possible amendments to Administrative Order 2014-001-ADM, Respecting Tax Relief to Non-Profit Organizations, to increase the exemption for otherwise-qualified owners of registered municipal heritage properties for implementation in fiscal year 2020/21;
5. Include within the upcoming review of the Regional Municipal Planning Strategy amendments to include policy to enable enhanced development options for registered heritage properties across the municipality by development agreement;
6. Prepare amendments to the municipal evaluation criteria for heritage sites and properties for Regional Council's consideration, with advice from the Heritage Advisory Committee; such process to take place following completion of the Culture and Heritage Priorities Plan;
7. Research additional measures for the protection of un-registered heritage properties based on existing legislation in other jurisdictions and to prepare a report for consideration by Regional Council respecting possible requests for amendments to the Heritage Property Act; and
8. Continue formal discussions with the Province on measures to prevent the demolition of heritage resources prior to adoption of a heritage conservation district based on the previous written requests from the Municipality sent on April 4, 2016.

15.2.2 Case H00437- Strategy for the Protection of Potential Heritage Resources in Downtown Halifax (Map 6)

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

1. Initiate a process to evaluate existing potential heritage properties identified in Attachment D of the staff report dated December 28, 2018 under the HRM Evaluation Criteria for registered heritage properties under H-200, the Heritage Property By-law;
2. Initiate a background study for the Historic Properties Heritage Conservation District that will consider additional potential heritage resources identified in Attachment D of the staff report dated December 28, 2018 within a boundary that is contiguous with the area identified in Attachment B of the staff report dated December 28, 2018, as Historic Properties; and
3. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to prepare a program, including financial and land use incentives, for registered heritage properties located in Downtown Halifax, outside of Heritage Conservation Districts, for Halifax Regional Council's consideration.

4. Request a staff report outlining approaches and risks to developing an educational institutional heritage policy for buildings outside of current or potential Heritage Conservation districts and defer evaluation of the Medjuck building under section 1 of this motion until the report is presented to Council via Heritage Advisory Committee and Community Planning and Economic Development Standing Committee.

15.3 HALIFAX AND WEST COMMUNITY COUNCIL

15.3.1 Case 20774 - Amendments to the Halifax Municipal Planning Strategy and Halifax Peninsula Land Use By-law, and a proposed development agreement to enable an eight storey building (plus penthouse) on the lands fronting Wellington Street, Halifax

Motion approved that 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 April 11, 2019, to allow an eight storey (plus penthouse) residential building by development agreement at 1110, 1116, 1120, 1122, 1126A/1126B/1126C and 1130/1132 Wellington Street, Halifax, and schedule a joint public hearing with Halifax and West Community Council.

15.3.2 Case 20632 - Amendments to the Halifax Municipal Planning Strategy and Halifax Peninsula Land Use By-law, and a proposed development agreement for 2440, 2442, 2444, 2446, 2448, 2450, 2452 and 2454 Agricola 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 March 27, 2019, to allow a five storey (plus penthouse) building by development agreement at 2440 Agricola Street, 2442 Agricola Street, 2444 Agricola Street, 2446 Agricola Street, 2448 Agricola Street, 2450 Agricola Street, 2452 Agricola Street, and 2454 Agricola Street, Halifax, and schedule a joint public hearing with Halifax and West Community Council.

15.3.3 Case 21115 – Amendments to the Halifax Municipal Planning Strategy and Halifax Peninsula Land Use By-law, and a proposed development agreement to enable a 9 storey building on Quinpool Road and Pepperell Street, near Preston Street

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 April 11, 2019, to permit a 9 storey, mixed-use building on Quinpool Road with a 3 storey section facing Pepperell Street, and schedule a joint public hearing with Halifax and West Community Council.

15.4 MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

15.4.1 Councillor Austin - HRM Support for Open Streets Initiatives

Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council request a staff report on possible options to reduce the cost of street closures for Open Streets type events. Measures to consider should include a possible grant program specifically for street closures or subsidizing the policing costs.

15.4.2 Councillor Karsten – First Books Canada Project – Bookcases for Lion’s Club

Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council approve an exemption for a district capital grant in the amount of \$4000.00 to purchase bookcases to be used by the Eastern Passage Lion’s Club in their First Books Canada Project.

15.4.3 Councillor Streach – Musquodoboit Valley Memorial Hospital – Purchase of new ultrasound equipment

Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council approve an exemption for a district capital grant in the amount of \$5000.00 to purchase new ultrasound equipment for the Musquodoboit Valley Memorial Hospital.

16. MOTIONS

16.1 Councillor Cleary

Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council request a staff report on amending Administrative Order One, Respecting the Procedures of Council, to require the recording of votes at Committee of the Whole, including Committee of the Whole on Budget.

17. 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:

17.1 In Camera (In Private) Minutes – April 16, 2019

This matter was dealt with in public.

Motion approved that the In Camera (In Private) minutes of April 16, 2019 be approved as circulated.

17.2 PROPERTY MATTER – Councillor Karsten – Acquisition – Private and Confidential Report

A matter pertaining to providing instruction and direction to officers and employees of the Municipality pertaining to the acquisition / sale of land.

This matter was dealt with in public.

Motion approved that That Halifax Regional Council request a staff report and direct the Chief Administrative Officer as outlined in the private and confidential Councillor request for consideration form.

17.3 PROPERTY MATTER – Councillor Karsten – Acquisition – Private and Confidential Report

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Motion approved Halifax Regional Council request a staff report and direct the Chief Administrative Officer as outlined in the private and confidential Councillor request for consideration form.

18. ADDED ITEMS

18.1 Councillor Nicoll – Participation in UN Women Safe Cities and Safe Public Spaces Global Flagship Programme

Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council direct Mayor Savage to send a letter to UN Women's Executive Director expressing the municipality's interest in participating in UN Women's Safe Cities and Safe Public Spaces Global Flagship Programme.

19. NOTICES OF MOTION

19.1 Councillor Walker

“TAKE NOTICE that, at the next meeting of Halifax Regional Council to be held on May 21, 2019, I propose to move amendments to Administrative Order 2014-001-ADM, *Respecting Tax Relief To Non-Profit Organizations*, the purpose of which is to repeal and replace Schedules 26, 27, 28, 29 and 30 of the Administrative Order.”

19.2 Councillor Cleary

“TAKE NOTICE that, at the next meeting of Halifax Regional Council to be held on May 21, 2019, I propose to put forward the following motion:
That Halifax Regional Council request a staff report on creating Trail Etiquette signage for installation at HRM owned/maintained trails, public walkways and paths. The report is to include samples of signage content and format.”

20. ADJOURNMENT – 6:47 p.m.

INFORMATION ITEMS
May 14, 2019

1. Proclamation – LEAVE A LEGACY™ Month – May 2019
2. Memorandum from the Chief Administrative Officer dated April 12, 2019 re: Award of Contracts – Quarterly Report Jan-March 2019
3. Memorandum from the Municipal Clerk dated May 8, 2019 re: Requests for Presentation to Council - None
4. Proclamation – Gaelic Nova Scotia Month – May 2019
5. Proclamation – National Public Works Week – May 19-25, 2019
6. Proclamation – 100th Anniversary of the Canadian Institute of Planners
7. Proclamation – International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia and Biphobia – May 17, 2019