

HALIFAX REGIONAL COUNCIL ACTION SUMMARY

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July 16, 2019

- **1. CALL TO ORDER** 11:00 a.m.
- 2. SPECIAL COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS & ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Councillors noted a number of special community announcements and acknowledgement.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - June 4 and 18, 2019

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

Additions:

18.1 Councillor Adams - Herring Cove Water and Wastewater Servicing Phase 4

Information Items:

5. Proclamation - Halifax Pride Festival - July 18-28, 2019

Council agreed to defer item 14.1 Councillor Austin – Municipal Discretionary Tax Relief – Eligibility of Market Leases to the next regular meeting.

Agenda approved as amended.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

Council agreed to remove items 15.4.1 and 15.5.1 from the consent agenda

Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council approve agenda items 13.1.1, 15.1.2, 15.2.1, 15.6.2 and 16.1.

- 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 NONE
- 11. NOTICES OF TABLED MATTERS NONE

12. PUBLIC HEARING - 6:00 P.M.

12.1 Case 20520 – Amendments to the Halifax Municipal Planning Strategy and Halifax Peninsula Land Use By-law for 6330 and 6324 Quinpool Road, between Oxford Street and Preston Street

Public hearing held and closed. Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council adopt the proposed amendments to the Halifax Municipal Planning Strategy and the Land Use By-law for Halifax Peninsula, as set out in revised Attachment A, included as Attachment 2 of the committee report dated June 12, 2019 and Attachment B of the staff report dated May 11, 2019, to permit by development agreement an 8-storey (plus penthouse), mixed-use building at 6330 and 6324 Quinpool Road, with a 3-storey portion (plus penthouse) facing Pepperell Street, with up to a 3-storey street wall.

12.2 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

Public hearing held and closed. Motion approved **as amended** that Halifax Regional Council adopt 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 3.5 storey section facing Pepperell Street and **corrections to section 5.2.1 of Attachment A by changing 6332 to 6302 and to section 95(9) of attachment B by changing one instance of 6298 to 6302.**

13. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS 13.1 Correspondence

The Clerk noted that correspondence was received for items: 12.1, 12.2, 15.4.1 and 15.7.1. This correspondence was circulated to Council.

13.1.1 Fly-Past Request – Exercise Cutlass Fury 2019 – NATO Exercise

Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council grant permission for a fly-past, as low as 500 feet above sea level, marking the commencement of Exercise Cutlass Fury 2019 on Monday, September 9, 2019 at 1:00 pm starting in the Bedford Basin and continuing outbound along the Halifax Harbour as the navy ships sail out for the start of the NATO exercise. The fly-past will be conducted by the following RCAF and DND contracted aircrafts: 1 CH148 Cyclone helicopter from 12 Wing Shearwater, 4 CF188 Hornets from 3 Wing Bagotville, 2 Dassault/Dornier Alpha Jets operated by Top Aces based out of Halifax International Airport, a CP140 from 14 Wing Greenwood, and will be made up of 4 different elements with the Hornets and Alpha Jets flying in separate close formations.

13.2 Petitions

13.2.1 Councillor Whitman

Councillor Whitman submitted a petition containing 230 signatures to keep the rose bushes on Dunbrack Street.

13.2.2 Councillor Blackburn

Councillor Blackburn submitted a petition containing 374 signatures in support of having an off-leash dog park in the Millwood community.

14. INFORMATION ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD – June 18, 2019 14.1 Councillor Austin – Municipal Discretionary Tax Relief – Eligibility of Market Leases

This matter was **deferred** to the next regular meeting of Halifax Regional Council during the approval of the order of business.

15. REPORTS

15.1 CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

15.1.1 Second Reading Proposed Amendments to By-law C-1100, Respecting Campaign Financing

Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council adopt By-law C-1101, amending By-law C-1100, the Campaign Financing By-law, as set out in Attachment A of the staff report dated May 8, 2019.

15.1.2 Award - Tender No. 19-157 - Burnside Transit Centre Roofing Replacement - Phase 2

Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council award Tender No. 19-157, Burnside Transit Centre Roofing Replacement – Phase 2 to the lowest bidder meeting specifications, Toitures Brault Inc. for a Total Price of \$1,547,999 (net HST included), with funding from Project No. CB000082 – Burnside Transit Centre Roof, as outlined in the Financial Implications section of the staff report dated July 16, 2019.

15.1.3 AN105 - HRM Asset Names, April 16, 2018 to October 22, 2018

Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council approve:

- (a) The addition of the names Rear Admiral Leonard Murray and Charlie Shiers to the existing Commemorative Names List as shown on Attachment A of the staff report dated June 18, 2019;
- (b) The naming of Daffodil Garden for Cancer Survivors, and The Bridge of Courage, as shown on Attachment B of the staff report dated June 18, 2019;
- (c) The renaming of Sir Sanford Fleming Park Playground to Walter E. Nolan Memorial Playground, Halifax, and the renaming of Harold T Barrett Junior High School Park Sports Court to Bonnie Ryan Sports Court, Beaver Bank as shown on Attachment C of the staff report dated June 18, 2019:
- (d) The renaming of Bill Dompierre Park to Bill Dompierre Memorial Park, Bedford as shown on Attachment D of the staff report dated June 18, 2019;
- (e) The administrative modification to the building name Power House to Power House Youth Centre, Halifax as shown on Attachment E of the staff report dated June 18, 2019; and
- (f) The administrative park names as shown on Attachment F of the staff report dated June 18, 2019.

15.1.4 AN106 - HRM Asset Names, October 23, 2018 to April 3, 2019

Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council approve

- 1. The addition of the names Peter Cox, William Davey, Carroll Morgan and The Princess Louise Fusiliers to the existing Commemorative Names List as shown on Attachment A of the staff report dated June 18, 2019:
- 2. The renaming of a portion of the Portland Lakes Active Transportation Greenway in Russell Lake Park, Dartmouth to the Hugh Millward Trail, as shown on Attachment B of the staff report dated June 18, 2019;
- 3. The renaming of the Demers Road Park Ball Diamond in Demers Road Park, Terence Bay to the Wayne Manuel Ball Diamond, as show on Attachment C of the staff report dated June 18, 2019;
- 4. The administrative park name as shown on Attachment D of the staff report dated June 18, 2019.

15.1.5 Increase to Contract, Request for Proposal No. 18-307 – Consulting Engineering Services BR122 Shore Road Bridge Replacement Design

Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. enter into a cost sharing agreement with Halifax Water for \$13,625 (Net HST included), to the Project Account CR180003– Bridges as outlined in the Financial Implications section of the staff report dated June 3, 2019; and
- 2. approve an increase to contract with Hatch Corporation (Purchase Order No. 2070797017) for additional work from the original scope in the amount of \$43,275 (net HST included) with funding from Project Account CR180003– Bridges as outlined in the Financial Implications section of the staff report dated June 3, 2019.

15.1.6 Events East Five Year Strategic Plan and 2019-20 Business Plan

Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Waive the requirement for the Audit & Finance Standing Committee to review and make a recommendation to Council regarding an unbudgeted withdrawal of funds from reserves and approve an increase to Operating Cost Centre M250, with funding to be an unbudgeted reserve withdrawal from the Convention Centre Reserve, Q521 in the amount of \$366,200 as per the Financial Implications section of the staff report dated June 6, 2019;
- 2. In accordance with section 28 of the Halifax Convention Centre Act, approve the Five Year Strategic Plan (2019-2023) as set out in Attachment A of the staff report dated June 6, 2019; and
- 3. In accordance with section 29(1) of the Halifax Convention Centre Act, approve the 2019-20 Business Plan and Budget for the Halifax Convention Centre Corporation, submitted to the Municipality by Events East Group, as set out in Attachment B of the staff report dated June 6, 2019.

15.2 AUDIT AND FINANCE STANDING COMMITTEE

15.2.1 Waverley Community Association Agreement Request

Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Approve the provision of a two-year contribution in the amount of \$20,000 annually to the Waverley Community Association towards operating expenses to be funded from Operating Account C230; 2. Authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, or their designate, to negotiate, enter into, and execute a Contribution Agreement on behalf of the Municipality with the Waverley Community Association
- substantially in the same form as the draft Contribution Agreement included as Attachment 1 of the staff report dated June 12, 2019, and otherwise acceptable to the Chief Administrative Officer.

15.3 AUDIT COMMITTEE

15.3.1 Year End Financial Statements

Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council approve:

- 1. The Consolidated Financial Statements of the Halifax Regional Municipality for the year ended March 31, 2019 as outlined in the revised staff report dated June 11, 2019;
- 2. The Statement of General Rate Surplus of the Halifax Regional Municipality for the year ended March 31, 2019 as outlined in the revised staff report dated June 11, 2019;
- 3. Transfers of \$26,056,556, as outlined below, to reduce the general rate surplus to zero:

a. Municipal Elections Reserve, Q511
b. Parkland Development Reserve, Q611
c. Capital Fund Reserve, Q526
d. General Contingency Reserve, Q421
\$ 700,000
\$ 2,000,000
\$ 6,000,000
\$ 17,356,556

- 4. Approve an unbudgeted withdrawal from the Halifax Convention Centre Reserve, Q521, in the amount of \$3,617,394 to cover the balance of property taxes owed, net of taxes received;
- 5. Approve an unbudgeted withdrawal from the General Contingency Reserve, Q421, in the amount of \$238,200 to cover the costs of adding sideguards to the solid waste fleet;
- 6. The financial statements of the Halifax Regional Municipality Miscellaneous Trust Funds for the year ended March 31, 2019 as outlined in the revised staff report dated June 11, 2019; and,
- 7. The appointment of KPMG to be the External Auditors for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2020.

15.4 ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY STANDING COMMITTEE

15.4.1 Case 22037 - Options for the Elimination of Drive-Through Facilities

Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council direct the Chief Administrative Officer to review options for limiting new and expanded drive-throughs, as part of the plan and by-law simplification program.

15.5 TRANSPORTATION STANDING COMMITTEE

15.5.1 Non-Accepted Streets

Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer in preparing the capital budgets for the 2020/21 and 2021/2022 fiscal years to consider allocating funding for Phase 1 (title/boundary review of 42 non-accepted streets) pursuant to the budget process and as discussed in the discussion section of the revised staff report dated April 11. 2019 and:
- 2. If funding has been approved in the capital budget for Phase 1 (title/boundary review of 42 non-accepted streets), direct the Chief Administrative Officer to undertake the title/boundary review of all 42 non-accepted streets listed on Appendix A of the April 11, 2019 revised staff report that are in Category 2 (5 non-accepted streets), Category 3 (9 non-accepted streets), Category 4 (28 non-accepted streets).

15.5.2 Councillor Appointments to Board/Committees

Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Rescind all three (3) Councillor appointments to the Active Transportation Advisory Committee.
- 2. Appoint Councillor Austin of the Transportation Standing Committee to the Active Transportation Advisory Committee for a term to November 2020.

15.5.3 Transit Priority Corridors – Robie Street / Young Street

Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to:

- 1. Proceed with detailed design of time-restricted (Weekdays 6AM 6PM) curbside bus lanes on Robie Street between Young Street and Quinpool Road (Phase 1 configuration as described in the Discussion section of the May 15, 2019 staff report);
- 2. Proceed with detailed design of a westbound curbside bus lane on Young Street between Kempt Road and Windsor Street (Phase 1 configuration as described in the Discussion section of the May 15, 2019 staff report);
- 3. Initiate efforts to further investigate the right-of-way requirements necessary to accommodate continuous curbside bus lanes in both directions (Phase 2 configuration as described in the Discussion section of the May 15, 2019 staff report) for the following roadway segments:
- i. Robie Street (between Almon Street and Cunard Street), and
- ii. Young Street (between Robie Street and Windsor Street); and
- 4. Initiate efforts to further investigate the right-of-way requirements necessary for future potential construction of centre median transit lanes on Robie Street.

15.6 GRANTS COMMITTEE

15.6.1 Less than Market Value Lease - Northwood Homecare Incorporated, Sackville Sports Stadium, 409 Glendale Drive, Sackville

Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council authorize the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to enter into a less than market value lease agreement with Northwood Homecare Incorporated for the leased premises within Sackville Sports Stadium located at 409 Glendale Drive, Sackville as per the key terms and conditions set out in Table 1 of the discussion section of the June 4, 2019 staff report.

15.6.2 Rural Transit Funding Program 2019/2020

Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council approve the following grants under the Rural Transit Grants Administrative Order, for the 2019/20 fiscal year:

- 1. Lump Sum Grants:
- a. MusGo Rider Cooperative (Musquodoboit Harbour) \$10,000
- b. MusGo Rider Cooperative (Valley-Sheet Harbour) \$10,000
- c. BayRides \$5,000
- d. East Hants Community Rider \$10,000
- e. Chebucto Community Transportation Service \$5,000.
- 2. Flat Rate Grant of \$.50 per in-service kilometer up to a program maximum of \$400,000 to:
- a. MusGo Rider Cooperative (Musquodoboit Harbour)
- b. MusGo Rider Cooperative (Valley-Sheet Harbour)
- c. BayRides
- d. East Hants Community Rider
- e. Chebucto Community Transportation Service.

15.7 MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

15.7.1 Councillor Hendsbee - Request Amendments to By-Law A-600 Respecting Advertising on Provincial Highways

Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council request a staff report requesting an addendum or amendment to Schedule 1 of HRM Bylaw A-600 Respecting Advertisements on Provincial Highways for the inclusion of a section of Highway 7 within the Eastern Shore-West MPS (Municipal Planning Strategy) from Musquodoboit Harbour to Ship Harbour.

15.7.2 Councillor Zurawski - Boundary Review Community of Beechville

Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council request a staff report to consider modifications to the community boundaries of Beechville.

16. MOTIONS

16.1 Ratification from Committee of the Whole on June 25, 2019 – Commercial and Small Business Taxation

Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council direct the Chief Administrative Officer to:

- 1. Develop and return to Regional Council for its consideration a by-law to phase-in commercial tax bills that:
- a. uses a three-year rolling assessment average,
- b. is targeted towards properties with assessment growth more than 5 percent above the HRM average,
- c. is implemented starting in fiscal year 2021-22, and
- d. has a renewal requirement for it to extend beyond 2023-24;
- 2. Work with the business community on implementation of a three-year rolling average;
- 3. Return to Regional Council with a program review before the end of 2023-24; and
- 4. Prepare a supplementary staff report exploring a tiered commercial tax regime based on assessed values using the five zones described in Attachment D of the staff report dated May 1, 2019.

17. IN CAMERA (IN PRIVATE)

17.1 In Camera (In Private) Minutes - June 4 and 18 2019

This matter was discussed In Camera (In Private) and ratified in public as follows: Motion approved that the In Camera (In Private) minutes of June 4 and 18, 2019 be approved as circulated.

17.2 PERSONNEL MATTER - Private and Confidential Report

This matter was discussed In Camera (In Private) and ratified in public as follows: Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Adopt the recommendation as outlined in the Transportation Standing Committee report dated June 25, 2019 and release the identity of the appointee to the public following ratification and notification of the successful candidate; and
- 2. Not release the private and confidential report dated June 25, 2019 to the public.

17.3 PERSONNEL MATTER - Private and Confidential Report

This matter was discussed In Camera (In Private) and ratified in public as follows: Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Adopt the recommendation as outlined in the Executive Standing Committee report dated June 26, 2019 and release the identity of the appointees to the public following ratification and notification of the successful candidates; and
- 2. Not release the private and confidential report dated June 26, 2019 to the public.

17.4 PERSONNEL MATTER - Private and Confidential Report

This matter was discussed In Camera (In Private) and ratified in public as follows: Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Adopt the recommendation as outlined in the private and confidential Executive Standing Committee report dated June 26, 2019 and release the identity of the appointees to the public following ratification and notification of the successful candidates; and
- 2. Not release the private and confidential Executive Standing Committee report dated June 26, 2019 to the public.

17.5 INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS - Private and Confidential Report

This matter was discussed In Camera (In Private) and ratified in public as follows: Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Approve the direction as outlined in the revised private and confidential staff report dated June 25, 2019 as amended during the July 17, 2019 In Camera (In Private) Session; and
- 2. Not release the revised private and confidential staff report dated June 25, 2019 to the public.

17.6 INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS - Private and Confidential Report

This matter was discussed In Camera (In Private) and ratified in public as follows: Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Approve the direction as outlined in the private and confidential staff report dated April 15, 2019; and
- 2. Not release the private and confidential staff report dated April 15, 2019 to the public.

17.7 PROPERTY MATTER - Private and Confidential Report

This matter was discussed In Camera (In Private) and ratified in public as follows: Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council request a staff report as outlined in the revised private and confidential Councillor request for consideration form.

17.8 INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS - Private and Confidential Report

This matter was discussed In Camera (In Private) and ratified in public as follows: Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Approve the direction as outlined in the private and confidential staff report dated June 25, 2019; and
- 2. Release the private and confidential staff report dated June 25, 2019 to the public once the conditions have been met.

17.9 PROPERTY MATTER - Private and Confidential Report

This matter was discussed In Camera (In Private) and ratified in public as follows: Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council request a staff report as outlined in the private and confidential Councillor request for consideration form.

18. ADDED ITEMS

18.1 Councillor Adams - Herring Cove Water and Wastewater Servicing Phase 4

Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council request a staff report with respect to undertaking detailed design work for Herring Cove Phase 4 water and wastewater servicing, in advance of an application for Federal and Provincial funding support.

19. NOTICES OF MOTION

19.1 Councillor Streatch

TAKE NOTICE that, at the next meeting of Halifax Regional Council to be held on July 30, 2019 I propose to introduce Administrative Order 2019-005-ADM, the Community Area Rate Administrative Order, the purpose of which is to establish criteria for the creation of rates that support local community recreation activities or sidewalks and are requested by a community, and to establish a framework for the use of the monies raised by the rate.

19.2 Deputy Mayor Mancini

TAKE NOTICE that, at the next meeting of Halifax Regional Council to be held on July 30, 2019, I propose to move amendments to Administrative Order 29, Respecting Civic Addressing Policies, the purpose of which is to:

- 1. name six new private lanes in Terence Bay, Dartmouth, Bedford and Mineville
- 2. name two water access lake coastlines in Porters Lake and West Chezzetcook
- 3. name two public streets in Montague Gold Mines and Beaver Bank
- 4. rename a portion of Baffin Boulevard to Hudson Way in Dartmouth.

19.3 Deputy Mayor Mancini

TAKE NOTICE that, at the next meeting of Halifax Regional Council to be held on July 30, 2019, I propose to move a motion to rescind part 1 of the recommendation for Item 14.1.3 from the May 9, 2017 Regional Council meeting, in order to appoint a new Returning Officer for any special election that may be required prior to the 2020 regular municipal and school board election.

19.4 Councillor Hendsbee

TAKE NOTICE that, at the next meeting of Halifax Regional Council to be held on July 30, 2019, I intend to move that Council consider adopting, by policy, a Public Participation Program for the consideration of regional wide amendments to the Regional Municipal Planning Strategy and all applicable Secondary Municipal Planning Strategies and Land Use By-laws regarding the keeping and raising of chickens.

19.5 Councillor Blackburn

TAKE NOTICE that, at the next meeting of Halifax Regional Council to be held on July 30, 2019, I propose to move a motion to rescind part 1 of the recommendation for Item 14.1.6 from the February 7, 2017 Regional Council meeting which was to categorize two acres of PID 41287137, near Highway 101 and Margeson Drive, Middle Sackville as "Economic Development", in order to reclassify the land as "Community Interest" property as per Administrative Order 50.

19.6 Councillor Nicoll

TAKE NOTICE that, at the next meeting of Halifax Regional Council to be held on July 30, 2019, I propose to:

- 1. move First Reading of proposed By-law T-1003, amending By-law T-1000, the Halifax Regional Municipality Taxi and Limousine By-law; and
- 2. move amendments to Administrative Order 39, Respecting Taxi and Limousine Regulations, the purpose of which is to amend the by-law and administrative order to increase passenger and driver safety, eliminate taxi zones, increase the number of available licenses, clarify appeals, enhance the code of conduct and other housekeeping and administrative amendments.

20. ADJOURNMENT - 7:36 p.m.

INFORMATION ITEMS July 16, 2019

- 1. Memorandum from the Chair of Board of Police Commissioners dated June 12, 2019 re: Board of Police Commissioners Annual Report 2018
- 2. Memorandum from the Chair of the Audit and Finance Standing Committee dated June 26, 2019 re: Fourth Quarter 2018-19 Financial Report
- 3. Memorandum from the Chair of the Transportation Standing Committee dated June 25, 2019 re: Strategic Road Safety Framework Annual Information Report
- 4. Memorandum from the Municipal Clerk dated July 3, 2019 re: Requests for Presentation to Council None
- 5. Proclamation Halifax Pride Festival July 18-28, 2019