



## HALIFAX REGIONAL COUNCIL ACTION SUMMARY

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### REVISED

September 17, 2019

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

- September 17, 2019 – called to order 10:00 a.m.
- September 18, 2019 – reconvened 2:02 p.m.

#### 2. SPECIAL COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS & ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

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

#### 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Regional Council July 30 and August 13, 2019 and Special Regional Council August 28, 2019

*Approved as circulated. 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

*Order of Business approved as **amended**.*

#### 5. CONSENT AGENDA – NONE

#### 6. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES – NONE

#### 7. CALL FOR DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTERESTS – NONE

#### 8. MOTIONS OF RECONSIDERATION – August 13, 2019

##### 8.1 Proposed By-law U-105, an Amendment to By-law U-100, the User Charges By-law – Halifax Transit Fare Strategy 2019

*Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council direct the Chief Administrative Officer to prepare a report investigating the feasibility of implementing a fee for access to Halifax Transit Park and Rides.*

#### 9. MOTIONS OF RESCISSION – NONE

#### 10. CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS – NONE

#### 11. NOTICES OF TABLED MATTERS – NONE

## 12. PUBLIC HEARINGS

### 12.1 Regional Centre Secondary Municipal Planning Strategy (SMPS) and Land Use By-law (LUB) (Package A)

*Public hearing held and closed.*

**Amended** motion approved that Halifax Regional Council:

1. *Adopt the Regional Centre Secondary Municipal Planning Strategy and the Regional Centre Land Use By-law as contained in Attachments A and B of the supplementary staff report dated July 25, 2019 with the following amendments:*
  - a. *Policy 10.29 (f) included in Attachment 1 of the supplementary staff report dated September 3, 2019, and*
  - b. *Maps 1, 3 and 10 and Schedules 1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 9, 10, 24, 25 and 26 are replaced with Attachments 2-14 of the supplementary staff report dated September 3, 2019;*
2. *Adopt the proposed amendments to the Regional Municipal Planning Strategy, the Regional Subdivision By-law, the Dartmouth Municipal Planning Strategy, the Dartmouth Land Use By-law, the Downtown Dartmouth Secondary Municipal Planning Strategy, the Downtown Dartmouth Land Use By-law, the Halifax Municipal Planning Strategy, the Halifax Peninsula Land Use By-law, and the Downtown Halifax Land Use By-law as contained in Attachments C to M-2 of the July 25, 2019 supplementary staff report.*
3. *Suspend section 142 of Administrative Order One and ratify items 16 through 20 of the June 18th, 2019 motion of Committee of the Whole, as follows:*
  16. *Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to develop and return to Council with proposed amendments to Administrative Order Number 48 to remove the lands within Package A from the jurisdictional authority of the Halifax Peninsula Planning Advisory Committee, the Harbour East – Marine Drive Community Council, and the Halifax and West Community Council, to provide for the creation of a new Regional Centre Community Council to review, address and deal with matters relating to appeals of site plans and variances and land use by-law amendments over those lands following the adoption of the Regional Centre Plan Secondary Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use By-law;*
  17. *Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to develop a new Administrative Order establishing a Design Advisory Committee for the Regional Centre Package A lands, and return to the Council for consideration;*
  18. *Rescind the Regional Council December 13, 2016 motion, Item 9.2.2, Parts 1 and 2, with respect to developing an incentive or bonus zoning program for affordable housing benefits and negotiating with Housing Nova Scotia a Memorandum of Understanding, as outlined in the staff report dated September 6, 2016;*
  19. *Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to develop a business case for a Regional Centre Incentive or Bonus Zoning Reserve, and an Administrative Order to direct future spending from the reserve within the Regional Centre and return to Council for consideration; and*
  20. *Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to prepare amendments to the various committee Terms of Reference as appropriate, to establish the Community Design Advisory Committee, the Community Planning and Economic Development Standing Committee, the Heritage Advisory Committee, the Halifax and West Community Council, and the Harbour East – Marine Drive Community Council as the only advisory bodies to the planning process for the Regional Centre Plan Package B area, and return to the Council or the necessary body for consideration, with an amendment to add “the Design Review Committee” after “Community Design Advisory Committee;”.*
4. **Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to:**
  - a. **Amend the Table of Contents to add the CDD zone to the listing of zones under the entry for Chapter 2 of Part XI.**
  - b. **Amend the header for Chapter 2 of Part XI, to add the CDD zone to the listing of zones for which the signage requirements of Chapter 2, Part XI, are to apply to.**

- c. **Amend Subsection 222(2), Section 223, Section 224, Subsection 225(1), and Section 226 to add the CDD zone to each listing of zones.**
5. **Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to include for consideration in the Centre Plan area during the Package B consultation and adoption process, the removal of 31 Queen Street Dartmouth, PID 00083949 from the potential Downtown Dartmouth Heritage District and reconsideration of the property's 2.5 FAR.**
6. **Request that staff explore changing the designation for PID:00148643 (St. Patrick's Alexandra) from HR-1 to HR-2 during the completion of Package B.**
7. **Request that staff explore permitting ground floor office uses in the Gottingen street Centre or all CEN-2 Zones during the completion of Package B.**
8. **Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to include the following items for consideration for possible inclusion the Centre Plan area during the Package B consultation and adoption process:**
  - a. **Amendments to the MPS and LUB to exempt large shared housing uses existing at adoption from bedroom requirements required in section 57 of the LUB.**
  - b. **Consider additional relaxation of height on sites with significant grade, such as 5213, 5215, 5225 Green Street.**
  - c. **To consider methods to delaying payment of the affordable housing component of density bonusing to later in the construction process, allowing posting of bonds, or rebating affordable housing component at time of permitting if an affordable housing agreement is in place.**
  - d. **Consider the inclusion of Lot 15 Robie PID00641035 in the Corridor Zone.**

**Additional** motion approved that Halifax Regional Council direct the Chief Administrative Officer to include the following items for consideration for possible inclusion the Centre Plan area during the Package B consultation and adoption process:

- *Reconsider the FAR in CEN-2 zone on Quinpool between Monastery and Harvard to better match the FAR directly opposite on the south side of Quinpool;*
- *Reconsider the maximum height for the HR-2 zone on the block bounded by Chebucto, Clinton, and Joseph Howe;*
- *Consider adding undergrounding of utility wires as a public benefit for the density bonus; and*
- *Consider increasing the variance from 5% to 10% for maximum street wall height on sloping conditions.*

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

### **13.1 Correspondence**

*Correspondence was received for items 12.1, 14.1, 15.1.6 and 17.6. This correspondence was circulated to Council.*

### **13.2 Petitions**

#### **13.2.1 Councillor Whitman**

*Councillor Whitman submitted a petition containing 288 signatures regarding speed bumps on Kingswood Drive.*

#### **13.2.2 Councillor Hendsbee**

*Councillor Hendsbee submitted a petition containing 393 signatures regarding development on PID#00609537 commonly known and used as a pedestrian pathway between the Porter's Lake Provincial Park and the Kinap playground and public park.*

#### **13.2.3 Councillor Smith**

*Councillor Smith submitted a petition containing 96 signatures requesting removal of 6024 Charles Street from the Centre Plan Corridor designation.*

## **14. INFORMATION ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD – August 13, 2019**

### **14.1 Councillor Whitman - Progress Report – Conveyance of 1588 Barrington Street, Halifax**

*Motion **defeated** that Halifax Regional Council request the CAO to instruct staff to prepare a report recommending milestone targets to support Halifax Regional Council in assessing the Society's progress in future reports.*

## **15. REPORTS**

### **15.1 CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

#### **15.1.1 Proposed Administrative Order SC-89, Respecting Street Closure Parcel 2 – Portion of Purcells Cove Road, Halifax**

*Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council adopt Administrative Order SC-89 in Attachment "B" of the staff report dated July 9, 2019, to close that portion of Purcells Cove Road shown as Parcel 2 on Attachment "A" of the staff report dated July 9, 2019.*

#### **15.1.2 Increase to Contract – 17-168 Design Consultant Services St. Andrew's Community Centre**

*Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council authorize an increase to the Purchase Order No. 2070777575 for changes to the contracted scope of work in the amount of \$40,254 (net HST included), with funding from Project No. CB000011 – St. Andrew's Community Centre outlined in the Financial Implications section of the staff report dated August 8, 2019.*

#### **15.1.3 Increase to Contract – Request for Proposal (RFP) 18-176 Consulting Services for Woodside Ferry Terminal Recapitalization Phase 1 and Phase 2**

*Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council approve an increase of \$149,411 (net HST included) to RFP 18-176, Consulting Services for Woodside Ferry Terminal, Phase 1 and Phase 2, to Abbott Brown Architects, from Project No. CB000042 – Woodside Ferry Terminal Upgrades, as outlined in the Financial Implications section of the staff report dated July 24, 2019.*

#### **15.1.4 Proposed Administrative Order SC-90, Respecting Street Closure - Portions of Grosvenor Road, Halifax**

*Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council adopt Administrative Order SC-90 as set out in Attachment 'C' of the staff report dated July 23, 2019 to close those portions of Grosvenor Road.*

#### **15.1.5 Second Reading Proposed By-law U-105, an Amendment to By-law U-100, Respecting User Charges – Halifax Transit Fare Strategy 2019**

***Amended** motion approved that Halifax Regional Council:*

- 1. Adopt By-law U-105, the purpose of which is to amend Schedule 1 of By-law U-100, the User Charges By-law, establishing changes to the existing fare structure and fares as set out in Attachment 2 of the Transportation Standing Committee report dated July 29, 2019, subject to retaining the senior fare category and increasing the senior's fare proportionate to the proposed increases to the general fare.*
- 2. Request the CAO to provide a supplemental report with respect to fees on route 320 relating to residents of the Fall River community who commute to the metro area which will hold in abeyance the \$6 fare increase and represents an increase of 75 cents.*

**15.1.6 Second Reading Proposed By-law T-1003, an Amendment to By-law T-1000, Respecting the Regulation of Taxis, Accessible Taxis and Limousines, and Proposed Amendments to Administrative Order 39, Respecting Taxi and Limousine Regulation**

*Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council:*

- 1. Adopt the revised By-law T-1003, dated September 12, 2019, the purpose of which is to amend By-law T-1000, the Halifax Regional Municipality Taxi and Limousine By-law as set out in Attachment 2 to the supplementary staff report dated August 28, 2019, and*
- 2. Adopt the revised amending Administrative Order, dated August 21, 2019, the purpose of which is to amend Administrative Order 39, Respecting Taxi and Limousine Regulations, as set out in Attachment 4 to the supplementary staff report dated August 28, 2019.*

**15.1.7 Case CA0126 - Proposed Amendments to Administrative Order 29, Respecting HRM Civic Addressing Policies – Street Naming and Renaming from May 1, 2019 – June 30, 2019**

*Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council:*

*Approve the name Norma Eddy as an approved heritage name as shown on Attachment A of the staff report dated July 31, 2019; and*

*Adopt the proposed amendments to Administrative Order 29, Respecting Civic Addressing Policies in order to approve:*

- 1. The naming of five new private lanes as identified in Attachment B and Maps 1, 2, 3 and 4 of the staff report dated July 31, 2019;*
- 2. The naming of five public streets as identified in Attachment B and Map 2 of the staff report dated July 31, 2019; and*
- 3. The renaming of Brenton Place to Clyde Street, Halifax as identified in Attachment B and Maps 5 and 6 of the staff report dated July 31, 2019.*

**15.1.8 Halifax Transit Fare Strategy 2019 - Youth Free Transit Pilot**

*Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council approve the Youth Free Transit Pilot as described in the Discussion section of the staff report dated August 20, 2019.*

**15.1.9 2019 – 2020 Area Rate Amendment – Dartmouth Main Business Improvement District (BID)**

*Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council amend the area tax rate for the Dartmouth Main Business Improvement District from 0.185 to 0.195.*

**15.1.10 Award - Tender No. 19-173 – Fire Station No. 62 Williamswood – Mass Earthworks**

*Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council award Tender No. 19-173, Fire Station No. 62 Williamswood – Mass Earthworks to the lowest bidder meeting specifications, Brycon Construction Limited for a Total Price of \$1,407,601 (net HST included), with funding from Project No. CB000079 – Sambro/Harrietsfield Fire Station and CB180006 – Fire Station Land Acquisition, as outlined in the Financial Implications section of the staff report dated August 29, 2019.*

**15.2 AUDIT AND FINANCE STANDING COMMITTEE**

**15.2.1 Funding Request – The Vimy Foundation**

*Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council approve a one-time contribution to The Vimy Foundation in the amount of \$10,000 from Operating Account M310-8004 for the purchase of a “legacy gift”, a Vimy Oak Tree, which will be planted in the Vimy Foundation Centennial Park, France.*

**15.2.2 Revised Business Case for Q521 – Convention Centre Reserve [PDF]**

*Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council repeal and replace the business case for Q521 – Convention Centre Reserve, as set out in revised Attachment 1 of the staff report dated February 14, 2019.*

### **15.3 ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY STANDING COMMITTEE**

#### **15.3.1 Pet Waste Recycling**

*Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council direct the Chief Administrative Officer to consider a pilot project for the collection of dog waste in select parks as part of the business and budget planning process for implementation in 2020/21.*

#### **15.3.2 Initiatives to increase the number of electric vehicles and charging stations in the Municipality**

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

1. *Report back to Environment and Sustainability Standing Committee with both an electric vehicle infrastructure strategy and light-duty fleet strategy, complete with budgetary considerations to:
  - a. *Install and administer public electric vehicle charging infrastructure at new and existing Municipal facilities, rights of way and/or public parking sites including rural fire stations with backup generators and park and ride terminal locations; and*
  - b. *Convert a portion of the municipal fleet to electric vehicles and install charging stations at municipal facilities.**
2. *Return to Council with recommendations for specific legislative amendments to enable the Municipality to require necessary zero emission vehicle infrastructure in new developments.*

### **15.4 MEMBERS OF COUNCIL**

#### **15.4.1 Councillor Austin - Artisanal Vending, Ferry Terminal Park**

*Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council request a staff report on amending By-Law C-501 to add Ferry Terminal Park to part C of Schedule B to permit artisanal vending to occur in this location.*

#### **15.4.2 Councillor Nicoll – Trail Connection**

*Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council request a staff report regarding the possibility of developing a trail linking the Westmount Plains subdivision to the Old Lawrencetown Road.*

#### **15.4.3 Councillor Karsten – The Beacon Community Newspaper**

*Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council approve an exemption for a district capital donation in the amount of \$5000.00 to give The Beacon Community Newspaper the funds needed to sustain the publication for the time period needed to conduct a study and support the transition of the way the publication is to move forward for the residents of Eastern Passage and Cow Bay.*

#### **15.4.4 Councillor Hendsbee – Establishing a crosswalk location on the Williams Porter Connector Road**

*Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council request a staff report investigating the possibility of establishing a crosswalk location on the William Porter Connector Road in front of the Porter's Lake Elementary School.*

### **16. MOTIONS**

#### **16.1 Councillor Zurawski**

*Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council request a staff report to examine the connection of Eider Drive in Timberlea to Sussex Drive as it pertains to the Blue Mountain Birch Cove Wilderness area, Haliburton Hills, and the Highland Park Hammond Plains community.*

**16.2 Councillor Whitman**

*Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council request a staff report to examine the status of the proposed provincial highway 113 adjacent to the Blue Mountain Birch Cove Wilderness Reserve.*

**16.3 Councillor Whitman**

*This item was withdrawn by Councillor Whitman.*

**17. IN CAMERA (IN PRIVATE)**

**17.1 In Camera (In Private) Minutes – Regional Council July 30 and August 13, 2019 and Special Regional Council August 28, 2019**

*This matter was dealt with in public session.*

*Motion approved that the In Camera (In Private) minutes of July 30 and August 13, 2019 be approved as circulated.*

**17.2 PROPERTY MATTER – Private and Confidential Report**

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

*Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council:*

- 1. Adopt the recommendations as outlined in the private and confidential Audit and Finance Standing Committee report dated August 15, 2019;*
- 2. Not release the private and confidential Audit and Finance Standing Committee report dated August 15, 2019 to the public until the transaction has closed.*

**17.3 CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS – Private and Confidential Report**

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

*Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council approve the recommendation as outlined in the private and confidential staff report dated August 22, 2019.*

**17.4 PROPERTY MATTER – Private and Confidential Report**

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

*Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council approve the recommendations as outlined in the private and confidential staff report dated August 30, 2019.*

**17.5 PERSONNEL MATTER - Private and Confidential Report (Deferred from July 30, 2019)**

*This matter was dealt with In Camera (In Private) and no further action is required.*

**17.6 LABOUR RELATIONS - Private and Confidential Report**

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

*Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council:*

- 1. approve the recommendation as outlined in the private and confidential staff report dated August 26, 2019; and*
- 2. not release the private and confidential report dated August 26, 2019.*

### **17.7 PROPERTY MATTER – Private and Confidential Report**

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

*Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council approve the recommendation as outlined in the private and confidential Councillor Request for consideration form.*

### **Private and Confidential Information Items**

#### **1. Private and Confidential In Camera (In Private) Information Report - re: Intergovernmental Relations**

### **18. ADDED ITEMS - NONE**

### **19. NOTICES OF MOTION**

#### **19.1 Councillor Adams**

*TAKE NOTICE that, at the next meeting of Halifax Regional Council to be held on September 24, 2019, I propose to:*

- 1. move First Reading of proposed By-law C-301, amending By-law C-300, Respecting Civil Addressing, the purpose of which is to amend the definition of a private road and to remove the requirement that private road owners maintain their private road signage; and*
- 2. move amendments to Administrative Order 15, Respecting License, Permit and Processing Fees, the purpose of which is to increase the fee for a private road sign from \$150 to \$200, to add the \$31 fee for sign blade manufacture and to require that no fee be paid where a private road sign is required because of a civic addressing change.*

#### **19.2 Councillor Nicoll**

*TAKE NOTICE that, at the next meeting of Halifax Regional Council to be held on September 24, 2019, I intend to move that Council consider adopting, by policy, a Public Participation Program which is different from the 1997 Public Participation Program, for the consideration of proposed amendments to the Municipal Planning Strategy for Cole Harbour/Westphal to remove commercial uses and enable residential used and allow the consideration of rezoning to multi-unit dwelling zone at 272 Auburn Drive, Westphal.*

### **20. ADJOURNMENT**

- September 17, 2019 - recessed at 10:36 p.m.*
- September 18, 2019 - adjourned at 5:03 p.m.*

**INFORMATION ITEMS**  
**September 17, 2019**

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1. Proclamation – Rail Safety Week – September 23-29, 2019
2. Memorandum from the Chair of the Audit and Finance Standing Committee dated August 14, 2019 re: Investment Activities - Quarter Ending March 31, 2019
3. Proclamation – Overdose Awareness Day – August 31, 2019
4. Proclamation – Ukraine Independence Day – August 23, 2019
5. Proclamation – Right to Know Week – September 23 – 29, 2019
6. Memorandum from the Municipal Clerk dated September 9, 2019 re: Requests for Presentation to Council - None
7. Memorandum from the Director of Human Resources/Office of Diversity and Inclusion dated June 26, 2019 re: Quarterly Update to Council re Safe Workplace Q1 2019-20
8. Memorandum from the Chief Administrative Officer dated August 8, 2019 re: Leave of Absence for Elections