



**TRANSPORTATION STANDING COMMITTEE
MINUTES
December 13, 2018**

PRESENT: Councillor Nicoll, Chair
Councillor Outhit, Vice Chair
Councillor Sam Austin
Councillor Waye Mason
Councillor Lindell Smith
Councillor Shawn Cleary

STAFF: Brad Anguish, Director of Transportation and Public Works
Colin Taylor, Solicitor
Liam MacSween, Legislative Assistant

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The meeting was called to order at 1:06 p.m. and adjourned at 1:34 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Councillor Nicoll, Chair called the meeting to order in Halifax Hall, 2nd Floor City Hall, 1841 Argyle Street, Halifax.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – November 29, 2018

MOVED by Councillor Austin, seconded by Councillor Smith

THAT the minutes of November 29, 2019 be approved as circulated.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

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

Additions:

Item No. 15.1 – Councillor Cleary - Accessible Parking at On-Street Parking Meters

The Transportation Standing Committee requested that the following information items be brought forward for presentations from staff at the January 24 and February 28, 2019 meetings of the Transportation Standing Committee:

- Information Item 2 - Information report from the Director of Halifax Transit dated October 9, 2018 re: Relocation of Express Buses from Gottingen Street
- Information Item 3 - Information report from the Director of Transportation and Public Works dated October 12, 2018 re: Feasibility of Red Light Cameras and Electronic Speed Detection Services
- Information Item 5 - Information report from the Director of Transportation and Public Works dated October 31, 2018 re: Parking Roadmap Implementation Study
- Information Item 6 – Information report from the Director of Planning and Development dated October 2, 2018 re: Complete Streets Approach and Traffic Supplement Update

MOVED by Councillor Cleary, seconded by Councillor Mason

THAT the agenda be approved as amended.

Two-third majority vote required.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

4. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES – NONE

5. CALL FOR DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTERESTS – NONE

6. MOTIONS OF RECONSIDERATION – NONE

7. MOTIONS OF RESCISSION – NONE

8. CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS – NONE

9. NOTICES OF TABLED MATTERS – NONE

10. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS

10.1 Correspondence

Liam MacSween, Legislative Assistant noted correspondence received for Information item 2 - Information report from the Director of Halifax Transit dated October 9, 2018 re: Relocation of Express Buses from Gottingen Street which was distributed to members of the Transportation Standing Committee.

10.2 Petitions – NONE

10.3 Presentation – NONE

10.3.1 Title – NONE

11. INFORMATION ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD – NONE

12. REPORTS

12.1 STAFF

12.1.1 Future Roles and Responsibilities of Community Trails Associations with Respect to Active Transportation Facilities

The following was before the Standing Committee:

- A staff recommendation report dated August 10, 2018

MOVED by Councillor Cleary, seconded by Councillor Mason

THAT the Transportation Standing Committee request Regional Council to 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.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

12.1.2 Peak Hour Transit Service in North Beaver Bank

The following was before the Standing Committee:

- A staff recommendation/information report dated October 10, 2018

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Cleary

THAT the Transportation Standing Committee recommend 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.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

12.1.3 Mumford Transit Terminal Replacement Assessment Study

The following was before the Standing Committee

- A staff recommendation report dated October 31, 2018 (Revised December 12, 2018)

Liam MacSween, Legislative Assistant advised of a revision to the October 31, 2018 correcting an error which incorrectly referred to Cushman and Wakefield as the property owners of the Halifax Shopping Centre, rather than the property managers of that facility.

MOVED by Councillor Cleary, seconded by Councillor Smith

THAT the Transportation Standing Committee recommend 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.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

12.2 MEMBERS OF THE TRANSPORTATION STANDING COMMITTEE – NONE

12.3 ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE – NONE

13. MOTIONS

13.1 Councillor Mason

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Cleary

THAT the Transportation Standing Committee request a staff report regarding the reduction of the number of Councillors appointed to the Active Transportation Advisory Committee from three to one.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

13.2 Councillor Mason

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Cleary

THAT the Transportation Standing Committee request a staff report regarding the elimination of the requirement to press a pedestrian push button to trigger a walk signal at intersections for pedestrians throughout HRM.

Councillor Mason suggested an amendment to the motion to specify “fully signalled” intersections throughout HRM. This amendment was deemed friendly.

The motion before the Standing Committee now reads:

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Cleary

THAT the Transportation Standing Committee request a staff report regarding the elimination of the requirement to press a pedestrian push button to trigger a walk signal at fully signalled intersections for pedestrians throughout HRM.

AMENDED MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

14. IN CAMERA (IN PRIVATE)

14.1 Approval of In Camera (In Private) Minutes – November 29, 2018

The following motion was approved in public session:

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Cleary

THAT the Transportation Standing Committee approve the November 29, 2018 In Camera (In private) minutes as circulated.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

15. ADDED ITEMS

15.1 Councillor Cleary - Accessible Parking at On-Street Parking Meters

The following was before the Standing Committee:

- A request for Transportation Standing Committee consideration form from Councillor Cleary

MOVED by Councillor Cleary, seconded by Councillor Smith

THAT the Transportation Standing Committee request a staff recommendation report that investigates the advantages, disadvantages, and feasibility of allowing vehicles displaying accessible parking identification license plates or permits to park at on-street parking meters, or other forms of on-street payment as they are introduced, without putting a coin in the meter or paying during the hours of legal operation. In addition, staff should research other jurisdictions for best practices and exemptions that should be implemented in Halifax for accessible parking.

Councillor Mason suggested that the motion be amended to include time regulated parking as part of the report request. This amendment was deemed friendly. The motion before the Standing Committee now reads:

MOVED by Councillor Cleary, seconded by Councillor Smith

THAT the Transportation Standing Committee request a staff recommendation report that investigates the advantages, disadvantages, and feasibility of allowing vehicles displaying accessible parking identification, license plates, or permits to park at on-street parking meters, in time regulated parking, or other forms of on-street payment as they are introduced, without putting a coin in the meter or paying during the hours of legal operation. In addition, staff should research other jurisdictions for best practices and exemptions that should be implemented in Halifax for accessible parking.

AMENDED MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

16. NOTICES OF MOTION – NONE

17. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Councillor Nicoll called three times for members of the public to address the Transportation Standing Committee. There were no members of the public present.

18. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – January 24, 2019

19. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 1:34 p.m.

Liam MacSween
Legislative Assistant