



**COMMUNITY PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
STANDING COMMITTEE  
SPECIAL MEETING  
DRAFT MINUTES  
February 18, 2021**

**PRESENT:** Councillor Lisa Blackburn, Chair  
Councillor Sam Austin, Vice Chair  
Councillor Trish Purdy  
Councillor Lindell Smith  
Councillor Patty Cuttell  
Councillor Pamela Lovelace

**GUEST:** Councillor Paul Russell

**STAFF:** Donna Boutilier, Solicitor  
Denise Schofield, Executive Director of Parks and Recreation  
Simon Ross-Siegel, Legislative Assistant

*These minutes are considered draft and will require approval by the Community Planning and Economic Development Standing Committee at a future meeting.*

*The following does not represent a verbatim record of the proceedings of this meeting.*

*The agenda, reports, supporting documents, information items circulated, and video (if available) are online at [halifax.ca](http://halifax.ca).*

*The meeting was called to order at 10:02 a.m. and adjourned at 11:32 p.m.*

## **1. CALL TO ORDER**

The Chair called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m., in Council Chamber, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor City Hall, 1841 Argyle Street, Halifax.

## **2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – January 28, 2021**

The Clerk noted a correction to the minutes that Councillor Cuttell requested that Information Item 2. Halifax Green Network Plan 2020 Annual Progress Report be brought forward to discussion at the February 18, 2021 meeting of the Standing Committee, and not Councillor Purdy as was previously indicated.

MOVED by Councillor Smith, seconded by Councillor Lovelace

**THAT the minutes of January 28, 2021 be approved as amended.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

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

MOVED by Councillor Lovelace, seconded by Councillor Cuttell

**THAT the agenda be approved as presented.**

**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**

The Legislative Assistant noted that the Municipal Clerk's Office received correspondence relating to item 11.1 which was circulated to members of the Standing Committee.

For a detailed list of the correspondence received, refer to the specific item.

### **10.2 Petitions – None**

### **10.3 Presentations**

**10.3.1 Fair Wage/Living Wage Framework** – *Brad Smith, Executive Director, Mainland Building Trades, Robert Shepherd, President, NSCLRA, and Jack Wall, President, Cape Breton Building Trades*

The following was before the Standing Committee:

- A presentation request dated February 4, 2021
- A presentation on "Fair Wage/Living Wage Framework"

Brad Smith, Executive Director, Mainland Building Trades and Robert Shepherd, President, NSCLRA, provided the Standing Committee with a presentation on the Fair Wage/Living Wage Framework and responded to questions from members of the Standing Committee.

The Chair thanked the speakers for the presentation.

## **11. INFORMATION ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD**

### **11.1 Halifax Green Network Plan 2020 Annual Progress Report**

The following was before the Standing Committee:

- A staff recommendation report dated September 25, 2020
- A staff presentation on "Halifax Green Network Plan 2020 Annual Progress Report"
- Correspondence from Meredith Baldwin, Janet Barlow, M.E. Donovan QC, Bill Campbell, Peter Lund, Wendy McDonald, Karen Robinson and Dale Smith.

Kathleen Fralic, Planner III, provided the Standing Committee with a presentation on the Halifax Green Network Plan 2020 Annual Progress Report and responded to questions from members of the Standing Committee. Richard Harvey, Manager of Policy and Planning, answered questions regarding crossover between different levels of government and engagement with Parks Canada. Katherine Greene, Regional Policy Program Manager, answered questions regarding resources and priorities.

## **12. REPORTS**

### **12.1 STAFF**

#### **12.1.1 Development of 2022-27 Economic Strategy**

The following was before the Standing Committee:

- A staff recommendation report dated February 8, 2021
- A staff presentation on "Development of 2022-27 Economic Strategy"

Wendy Luther, President and CEO of Halifax Partnership, and Ian Munroe, Chief Economist of Halifax Partnership, provided the Standing Committee with a presentation on the Development of the 2022-27 Economic Strategy and responded to questions from members of the Standing Committee.

MOVED by Councillor Cuttell, seconded by Councillor Lovelace

**THAT Community Planning and Economic Development Standing Committee recommend that Regional Council authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to develop a 2022-2027 Economic Strategy in collaboration with the Halifax Partnership, in accordance with the approach set out in the February 8, 2021 report and the related Halifax Partnership presentation.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

**12.2 MEMBERS OF STANDING COMMITTEE – NONE**

**12.3 COMMUNITY DESIGN ADVISORY COMMITTEE – NONE**

**12.4 HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE – NONE**

**13. MOTIONS – NONE**

**14. IN CAMERA (IN PRIVATE) – NONE**

**15. ADDED ITEMS – NONE**

**16. NOTICES OF MOTION – NONE**

**17. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – March 11, 2021**

**18. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:32 a.m.

Simon Ross-Siegel  
Legislative Assistant