



**TRANSPORTATION STANDING COMMITTEE  
SPECIAL MEETING  
DRAFT MINUTES  
September 14, 2022**

PRESENT: Councillor Waye Mason, Chair  
Councillor Iona Stoddard, Vice Chair  
Councillor Tony Mancini  
Councillor Paul Russell

REGRETS: Councillor Tim Outhit  
Councillor Becky Kent

STAFF: Kelly Denty, Executive Director, Planning and Development  
Colin Taylor, Solicitor  
Catie Campbell, Legislative Assistant

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*The meeting was called to order at 10:04 a.m. The Standing Committee adjourned at 11:10 a.m.*

## **1. CALL TO ORDER AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

The Chair called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m. and acknowledged that the meeting took place in the traditional and ancestral territory of the Mi'kmaq people, and that we are all treaty people.

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

Additions: None

Deletions: None

MOVED by Councillor Russell, seconded by Councillor Stoddard

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

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

## **3. CALL FOR DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTERESTS – NONE**

## **4. Spring Garden Road Transit-Only Pilot Project**

The following was before the Standing Committee:

- Staff recommendation report dated September 9, 2022
- Staff presentation dated September 13, 2022
- Correspondence from Andre Saliba, David Zitner and Norm Collins

Mike Connors, Strategic Planning Transit Program, Planning & Development gave a presentation on the Spring Garden Road Transit-Only Pilot Project.

Councillor Waye Mason stepped down from the Chair and Councillor Iona Stoddard assumed the Chair.

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Russell

**THAT the Transportation Standing Committee recommend that Halifax Regional Council:**

- 1. Rescind Regional Council's approved resolution from December 7, 2021 directing the Chief Administrative Officer to "proceed with a year-long daytime transit priority corridor pilot project on Spring Garden Road between South Park Street and Queen Street during the hours of 7a.m. – 8 p.m., starting June 2022"; and**
- 2. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to complete an operational review to investigate additional traffic control measures and other operational needs that are required to operate a transit priority corridor pilot project on Spring Garden Road between South Park Street and Queen Street and return to the Transportation Standing Committee with a recommended implementation approach for the pilot project.**

Mike Connors, Manager, Strategic Planning Transit Program, Planning & Development and Patricia Hughes, Director, Planning and Customer Engagement, Halifax Transit responded to questions of clarification from the Committee.

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Mancini

- 1. To implement the approach for the pilot project for a spring of 2023.**

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Councillor Mason proposed “a recommended implementation approach by February 2023 for the pilot project for a spring of 2023 implementation”. As provided for in section 53(2) of Administrative Order One, *Respecting the Procedures of the Council*, the amendment was accepted as friendly.

The motion now read:

MOVED by Councillor Mancini, seconded by Councillor Mason

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- 2. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to complete an operational review to investigate additional traffic control measures and other operational needs that are required to operate a transit priority corridor pilot project on Spring Garden Road between South Park Street and Queen Street and return to the Transportation Standing Committee with a recommended implementation approach by February 2023 for the pilot project for a spring of 2023 implementation.**

**MOTION TO AMEND PUT AND PASSED.**

The motion as amended now read:

MOVED by Councillor Mancini, seconded by Councillor Mason

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**MOTION AS AMENDED PUT AND PASSED.**

Councillor Mason resumed as Chair.

**5. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 11:10 a.m.

Catie Campbell  
Legislative Assistant