



**TRANSPORTATION STANDING COMMITTEE
DRAFT MINUTES
June 12, 2025**

PRESENT: Councillor Sam Austin, Chair
Councillor Kathryn Morse, Vice Chair
Councillor Trish Purdy
Councillor Shawn Cleary
Councillor Patty Cuttell
Councillor John Young

STAFF: Dave Reage, Executive Director Strategic Infrastructure & Transportation
Planning, Office of Strategic Infrastructure and Transportation Planning
Chris Giddens, Solicitor
Krista Vining, Team Lead, Legislative Assistants

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

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1. CALL TO ORDER AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Chair called the meeting to order at 1:32 p.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 MINUTES – May 22, 2025

MOVED by Councillor Cuttell, seconded by Councillor Cleary

THAT the minutes of May 12, 2025 be approved as circulated.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

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

Additions: None

Deletions: None

MOVED by Councillor Cleary, 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 – None

10.2 Petitions – None

10.3 Presentation – None

11. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Ben Hammer, Ecology Action Centre spoke about predictable transit service, labour conditions for drivers and reducing service until more drivers could be hired. Hammer responded to questions of clarification from the Standing Committee.

Colin May, Dartmouth spoke about prioritizing pedestrians over cyclists and scooters in the Dartmouth Common, submitting photographs for the record, and sought enforcement of the *Halifax Regional Municipal Charter*. May responded to questions of clarification from the Standing Committee.

12. INFORMATION ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD – NONE

13. REPORTS

13.1 STAFF

13.1.1 Proposed Residential Parking Permit Surcharge for Heavy Vehicles

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The following was before the Standing Committee:

- Staff report dated April 14, 2025

MOVED by Councillor Cleary, seconded by Councillor Young

THAT the Transportation Standing Committee recommend that Halifax Regional Council direct the Chief Administrative Officer to direct staff to prepare amendments to implement a pricing model based on vehicle weight for annual residential parking permits, as described in the discussion section of the staff report dated April 14, 2025, and return to Halifax Regional Council for approval.

Jeff Nephew, Supervisor Parking Operations responded to questions of clarification from the Standing Committee.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

14. MOTIONS – NONE

15. IN CAMERA (IN PRIVATE) – NONE

16. ADDED ITEMS – NONE

17. NOTICES OF MOTION

17.1 Councillor Cuttell

TAKE NOTICE that, at a future meeting of the Transportation Standing Committee, I intend to move a motion to request an information report on the reporting and response process for issues related to micromobility, and the number and nature of complaints in the first two months since their introduction.

18. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – August 21, 2025

19. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 2:05 p.m.

Krista Vining
Team Lead, Legislative Assistants