



**TRANSPORTATION STANDING COMMITTEE
MINUTES
September 25, 2025**

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

REGRETS: Councillor Trish Purdy

OTHERS PRESENT: Councillor Laura White

STAFF: Lucas Pitts, Executive Director, Public Works
Chris Giddens, Solicitor
Krista Vining, Team Lead, Legislative Assistants

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

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online at halifax.ca.*

1. CALL TO ORDER AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Chair called the meeting to order at 12:33 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 – August 21, 2025

MOVED by Councillor Cleary, seconded by Councillor Young

THAT the minutes of August 21, 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 Young, seconded by Councillor Cleary

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

Correspondence was received and circulated for item 13.1.1.

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

10.2 Petitions – None

10.3 Presentation – None

11. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Danielle Maltais, Fall River spoke about a proposed update to Route 320 and provided a handout for the record. Maltais responded to questions of clarification from the Standing Committee.

Sue Uteck, Executive Director Spring Garden Area Business Association spoke about the Spring Garden Road Transit Priority Corridor report and asked the Standing Committee to accept the staff recommendation outlined in the staff report July 28, 2025. Uteck responded to questions of clarification from the Standing Committee.

12. INFORMATION ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD – NONE

13. REPORTS

13.1 STAFF

13.1.1 Spring Garden Road Transit Priority Corridor

The following was before the Standing Committee:

- Staff report dated July 28, 2025
- Staff presentation dated September 25, 2025
- Correspondence from Sue Uteck

Nick Cuthbertson, Project Manager, Transit Planning gave a presentation.

MOVED by Councillor Cuttall, seconded by Councillor Cleary

THAT the Transportation Standing Committee recommend that Regional Council:

1. **Not proceed with the implementation approach described in the staff report dated March 28, 2023 for a transit priority corridor pilot project along Spring Garden Road, between South Park Street and Queen Street; and**
2. **Direct the CAO to continue to consider options for transit priority on Spring Garden Road as part of the broader planning for Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) implementation.**

Cuthbertson and Patricia Hughes, Director Planning and Customer Engagement responded to questions of clarification from the Standing Committee.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

13.1.2 Amendments to Appointment of Traffic Authority and Deputy Traffic Authorities

The following was before the Standing Committee:

- Staff report dated September 5, 2025

MOVED by Councillor Cleary, seconded by Councillor Cuttall

THAT the Transportation Standing Committee recommend that Halifax Regional Council adopt the amendments to Administrative Order 12, the *Appointment of the Traffic Authority*, as set out in Attachment 2 of the staff report dated September 5, 2025, to:

1. **adopt the amendments to Administrative Order 12, the *Appointment of the Traffic Authority Administrative Order*, as set out in Attachment 2 of the staff report dated September 5, 2025, to:**
 - (a) **repeal the current appointments of Brad Anguish as the Traffic Authority, Lucas Pitts as a Deputy Traffic Authority, and Roddy MacIntyre as a Deputy Traffic Authority; and**
 - (b) **appoint Roddy MacIntyre as the Traffic Authority, Jill Morrison as a Deputy Traffic Authority, and Hannah McBride as a Deputy Traffic Authority.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

14. MOTIONS

14.1 Councillor Cuttall

MOVED by Councillor Cuttell, seconded by Councillor Morse

THAT the Transportation Standing Committee 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.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

15. IN CAMERA (IN PRIVATE) – NONE

16. ADDED ITEMS – NONE

17. NOTICES OF MOTION – NONE

18. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – October 23, 2025

19. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 1:22 p.m.

Krista Vining
Team Lead, Legislative Assistants