



**TRANSPORTATION STANDING COMMITTEE  
MINUTES  
December 8, 2025**

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

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Councillor Cathy Deagle Gammon  
Councillor Laura White  
Councillor Janet Steele

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

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

The Chair called the meeting to order at 1:30 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 – November 27, 2025**

MOVED by Councillor Purdy, seconded by Councillor Young

**THAT the minutes of November 27, 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 Deputy Mayor 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**

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**

Sue Belford, Dartmouth spoke about traffic control issues on Newcastle Street, Dartmouth, provided their comments for the record, and responded to questions of clarification from the Standing Committee.

Jonathan Hamel, Gestionnaire des affaires publiques au Québec at Uber spoke about the Vehicle for Hire Fare Modernization and TNC Licensing report and responded to questions of clarification from the Standing Committee.

**12. INFORMATION ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD – NONE**

**13. REPORTS**

**13.1 STAFF**

**13.1.1 Vehicle for Hire Fare Modernization and TNC Licensing**

The following was before the Standing Committee:

- Staff report dated November 25, 2025
- Staff presentation dated December 8, 2025
- Correspondence from Steve Sullivan, Mark Hennessy, Jonathan Hamel

Peter Nightingale, Manager License Standards gave a presentation.

MOVED by Councillor Cleary, seconded by Councillor Austin

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

- 1. adopt Amending By-law T-1008, Amending By-law T-1000, the *Halifax Regional Municipality Taxi, Limousine and Transportation Network Companies By-law*, as set out in Attachment 2 to the staff report dated November 25, 2025; and**
- 2. adopt the amendments to Administrative Order 39, the *Taxi and Limousine Regulation Administrative Order*, as set out in Attachment 4 to the staff report dated November 25, 2025.**

Nightingale responded to questions of clarification from the Standing Committee.

As provided for in section 90 of Administrative Order One, *Respecting the Procedures of the Council*, the motion was separated for voting purposes.

MOVED by Councillor Cleary, seconded by Councillor Austin

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**MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

MOVED by Councillor Cleary, seconded by Councillor Austin

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

- 2. adopt the amendments to Administrative Order 39, the *Taxi and Limousine Regulation Administrative Order*, as set out in Attachment 4 to the staff report dated November 25, 2025.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

**13.1.2 Halifax Transit 2025/26 Q1 KPI Report**

The following was before the Standing Committee:

- Staff report dated October 15, 2025
- Staff presentation dated December 8, 2025

MOVED by Councillor Cleary, seconded by Councillor Austin

**THAT the Transportation Standing Committee receive the staff report dated October 15, 2025 for information and receive a presentation.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

Patricia Hughes, Director Planning & Customer Engagement, Halifax Transit gave a presentation and responded to questions of clarification from the Standing Committee.

Stewart MacDonald, Acting Director, Employee Support & Development, Halifax Transit responded to questions of clarification from the Standing Committee.

**14. MOTIONS – NONE**

**15. IN CAMERA (IN PRIVATE) – NONE**

**16. ADDED ITEMS – NONE**

**17. NOTICES OF MOTION – NONE**

**18. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – January 22, 2026**

**19. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 3:19 p.m.

Krista Vining  
Team Lead, Legislative Assistants