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**Item No. 14.1.4**  
**Halifax Regional Council**  
**April 11, 2017**

**TO:** Mayor Savage and Members of Halifax Regional Council

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**SUBMITTED BY:**

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Jacques Dubé, Chief Administrative Officer

**DATE:** March 27, 2017

**SUBJECT:** **HRWC Cost Sharing Agreement – New Sidewalk – Hammonds Plains Road  
(Brookshire to Smith), Central Region**

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## **ORIGIN**

The Approved 2016/17 Capital Budget.

## **LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY**

Section 74(1) of the *Halifax Regional Municipality Charter* provides that “The Municipality may agree with one or more municipalities, villages, service commissions, the Government of the Province or of Canada or a department or agency of either of them or a band council pursuant to the *Indian Act (Canada)* to provide or administer municipal or village services.

Section 79(1) of the Halifax Regional Municipality Charter provides that “The Council may expend money required by the Municipality for ... (aa) streets, culverts, retaining walls, sidewalks, curbs and gutters;”

## **RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that Halifax Regional Council authorize the Director of Transportation and Public Works to enter into a cost sharing agreement and authorize reimbursement of an amount up to \$335,499 (net HST included) to the Halifax Regional Water Commission with funding from Project Account No. CTU00420 – Active Transportation, as outlined in the Financial Implications section of this report.

## **BACKGROUND**

The Approved 2016/17 Project Budget includes funds for the installation of new sidewalk on Hammonds Plains Road from Brookshire Court to Smith Road.

Hammonds Plains Active Transportation project includes civil engineering design of new sidewalk, drainage and associated reinstatement from Smith Rd. to Brookshire Ct. The proposed Active Transportation project is integrated with the ongoing Bedford Connector Replacement Phase 3 project by Halifax Water and proposed upgrades to existing Highway 102 Interchange project by NSTIR. This project is time sensitive as it is tied to Federal Funding secured by Halifax Water.

The proposed works will be completed in conjunction with the Halifax Water Bedford Bypass Phase 3 project. Both projects were tendered together as one construction contract. The construction related to the Active Transportation work will be completed to Halifax Regional Municipality's standards.

## **DISCUSSION**

The Tender (T07.2017) for Bedford Connector Replacement - Phase 3- Central Region was called and posted to the Province of Nova Scotia's Procurement website by Halifax Water on February 20, 2017, and closed on March 14, 2017.

Halifax Water has evaluated three (3) successful bids from DEXTER, ARCP and Brycon Construction. Based on the lowest bidder, the cost sharing component for the construction of items associated with the new sidewalk, drainage and related reinstatement from Smith Rd. to Brookshire Ct. will be completed by **Brycon Construction Limited**.

It is anticipated work will commence as the weather permits in the spring of 2017.

There are no Local Improvement charges associated with this work.

## **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

Based on the lowest tendered price the estimated cost to HRM is \$321,710 plus net HST of \$13,789, for a net total of \$335,499. Funding is available in the Approved 2016/17 Capital Budget from Project Account No. CTU00420 – Active Transportation. The budget availability has been confirmed by Finance.

Budget Summary:

### **Project Account No. CTU00420 – Active Transportation**

|   |                           |
|---|---------------------------|
| Cumulative Unspent Budget               | \$6,855,256               |
| <b>Less: Cost Sharing Reimbursement</b> | <b><u>\$335,499 *</u></b> |
| Balance                                 | \$6,519,757               |

\* This project was estimated in the Approved 2016/17 Project Budget at \$525,000.

The balance of funds will be used to implement the remaining 2016/17 Active Transportation projects approved by Council.

### **RISK CONSIDERATION**

There are no significant risks associated with the recommendation in this Report. The risks considered rate low. To reach this conclusion, consideration was given to financial, legal and compliance, and service delivery risks.

### **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

There has been no community engagement program associated with this recommendation.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS**

Implications not identified.

### **ALTERNATIVES**

Council could choose not to approve the recommendations in this report, but staff do not recommend this.

### **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment A - Cost Share Agreement with Halifax Water

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A copy of this report can be obtained online at <http://www.halifax.ca/council/agendasc/cagenda.php> then choose the appropriate meeting date, or by contacting the Office of the Municipal Clerk at 902.490.4210, or Fax 902.490.4208.

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## MEMORANDUM

To: Bruce Zvaniga, Director of Transportation & Public Works, HRM

From: Kevin Healy, P.Eng., Project Engineer, Halifax Water

cc: Tom Gorman, P.Eng., Senior Engineer, Halifax Water  
Anne Sherwood, Senior Design Engineer, Project Planning & Design, HRM

Date: March 24, 2017

**Subject: T07.2017 Bedford Connector Replacement Phase 3 - Cost Sharing Agreement**

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The Tender for **Bedford Connector Replacement - Phase 3** – Central Region closed March 14, 2017. Prior to awarding the project, funding must be secured which includes Utility and Review Board (URB) approval for Halifax Water’s portion and a signed cost share agreement between HRWC and HRM for HRM’s portion. Enclosed is a bid comparison summary for the items associated with the new sidewalk construction and the cost sharing breakout based on the lowest bidder, Brycon Construction Limited

Based on the low bidder’s tender prices, and the above cost sharing, HRM’s costs for tender T07.2017 Bedford Connector Replacement - Phase 3 can be summarized as follows:

Hammonds Plains Road

|                       |   |                            |
|-----------------------|---|----------------------------|
| Sidewalk Work         | = | \$321,710.00               |
| Net HST (i.e. 4.286%) | = | <u>\$13,788.49</u>         |
| <b>Project Total</b>  | = | <u><b>\$335,498.49</b></u> |

Actual cost sharing for this project will be based on final quantities determined during construction.

If you agree to this arrangement, please indicate by signing the enclosed copy and return it to my attention. If you have any questions, please contact me at 490-5911.

Thank you,

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Kevin Healy, P.Eng  
Project Engineer  
Halifax Water

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Bruce Zvaniga, Director of Transportation & Public Works

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