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Halifax and West Community Council
December 13, 2017

TO: Chair and Members of Halifax and West Community Council

SUBMITTED BY: Original signed
Sheilagh Edmonds, Legislative Assistant

DATE: December 5, 2017

SUBJECT: Halifax & West Community Council – 2017 Annual Report

ORIGIN / LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY

Section 27(1) of the HRM Charter states:

A community council shall hold an annual public meeting in the community in each year to report to the public concerning its activities and to receive the views of the public respecting all matters within its mandate. The powers and duties of Community Councils are outlined in section 25 of the Halifax Charter.

Halifax and West Community Council requested that the Legislative Assistant maintain a record of the Community Council's business for the first annual meeting held in 2013 and annually held thereafter.

BACKGROUND

Halifax and West Community Council was established on December 3, 2012 by Administrative Order 48, Respecting the Creation of Community Councils.

Halifax and West Community Council include the following polling districts:

- District 7 - Halifax South – Downtown (Councillor Waye Mason)
- District 8 – Halifax Peninsula North (Councillor Lindell Smith)
- District 9 – Halifax West Armdale (Councillor Shawn Cleary)
- District 10 - Halifax - Bedford Basin West (Councillor Russell Walker)
- District 11 - Spryfield - Sambro Loop - Prospect Road (Councillor Stephen Adams)
- District 12 - Timberlea - Beechville - Clayton Park West (Councillor Richard Zurawski)

DISCUSSION

Halifax & West Community Council met ten (10) times between December 1, 2016 and November 30, 2017. All regular meetings of Halifax and West Community Council took place in the Council Chamber, 3rd Floor City Hall, 1841 Argyle Street Halifax.

Halifax & West Community Council's Business for the period of December 1, 2016 to November 30, 2017 included the following:

- 18 public hearings
- 2 variance appeal hearings
- 32 staff reports
- 5 reports from Boards and Committees
- 1 petition
- 1 presentation
- 7 speakers during public participation
- 6 information reports
- Community Council met in camera (in private) twice.

Further details on the matters Community Council dealt with, as well as the minutes of their meetings and copies of staff reports can be viewed online at: www.halifax.ca

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications associated with this report.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Community Council meetings are open to the public, unless otherwise stated on the agenda. Each regular meeting includes a Public Participation portion at the end of each agenda, which provides an opportunity for citizens to pose questions or provide comments to Councillors, through the Chair. Minutes, agendas and reports are available on the HRM website and from the Office of the Municipal Clerk.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no environmental implications associated with this report.

ALTERNATIVES

Not applicable.

ATTACHMENTS

None

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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