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Item No. 14.2.2
Halifax Regional Council
June 14, 2016

TO:

Mayor Savage and Members of Halifax Regional Council

SUBMITTED BY:

Original Signed

Jason Cooke, Chair, Heritage Advisory Committee

DATE:

May 31, 2016

SUBJECT:

Request to Expedite Staff Report RE Map 6, Heritage Resources – Downtown

Halifax Secondary Municipal Planning Strategy.

ORIGIN

Motion passed by the Heritage Advisory Committee at a meeting on May 25, 2016

LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY

Section 21 of the Halifax Charter regarding Standing, Special and Advisory Committees.

By-Law H-200 Respecting the Establishment of a Heritage Advisory Committee and a Civic Registry of Heritage Property.

RECOMMENDATION

The Heritage Advisory Committee recommends Halifax Regional Council expedite the request for staff report approved by Council on May 10, 2016 in regard to Map 6, Heritage Resources – Downtown Halifax Secondary Municipal Planning Strategy.

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BACKGROUND

At the April 27, 2016 meeting of the Heritage Advisory Committee, the Committee passed a motion recommending Regional Council request a staff report with regard to placing a moratorium on the demolition of buildings inventoried as properties which have potential for registration as municipal heritage properties or inclusion in municipal heritage conservation districts as identified in the Downtown Halifax Secondary Municipal Planning Strategy, Map 6: Heritage Resources. Council approved this recommendation at its May 10, 2016 meeting.

DISCUSSION

The Heritage Advisory Committee met on May 25, 2016 and concern over the status of properties identified as potential heritage properties in Map 6 was discussed. It was noted that three buildings have been demolished and there was concern expressed that other properties were in jeopardy of being demolished. In this regard, the Committee passed a motion recommending Council expedite the staff report requested on May 10, 2016 on this matter.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

None with this report.

RISK CONSIDERATION

Risk consideration is low.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

The Heritage Advisory Committee is an Advisory Committee to Regional Council comprised of 10 volunteer members of the public and two Councillors. The meetings are open to the public and the agendas and minutes are posted at www.Halifax.ca.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

None.

ALTERNATIVES

The Committee did not provide alternatives.

ATTACHMENTS

None.

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