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Item No. 14.5.1

Request for Council's Consideration		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Included on Agenda (Submitted to Municipal Clerk's Office by Noon Thursday)	<input type="checkbox"/> Added Item (Submitted to Municipal Clerk's Office by Noon Monday)	<input type="checkbox"/> Request from the Floor
Date of Council Meeting: Tuesday, January 12, 2016		
Subject: Councillors sitting on Planning Advisory Committees		
Motion for Council to Consider:		
That Halifax Regional Council request a staff report to consider the legal implications of having Councillors sitting on Planning Advisory Committees as voting members.		
Reason:		
I have received a number of requests from residents questioning whether having Councillors sitting on PACs as voting members puts the Councillors in a conflict of interest. Once a Councillor has voted for or against an issue at the PAC level they may be then placed in a conflict of interest as they move forward to the public consultation process.		
Outcome Sought:		
Staff report with discussion on whether having Councillors as voting members on PACs puts them in a conflict of interest and whether Councillors sitting on PACs should be non-voting members.		
<i>Councillor Russell Walker</i>	<i>District 10</i>	