

Request for Council's Consideration

- Included on Agenda (Submitted to Municipal Clerk's Office by Noon Thursday)** **Added Item (Submitted to Municipal Clerk's Office by Noon Monday)** **Request from the Floor**

Date of Council Meeting: April 16, 2019

Subject: Prince Albert Road / Glenwood Avenue Hotel Development

Motion for Council to Consider:

That Regional Council request a staff report on what options the Halifax Regional Municipality might have that would ensure an as-of-right hotel development does not proceed at the corner of Prince Albert Road and Glenwood Avenue. Options to consider should include but not be limited to:

- (1) Current planning bylaws and requirements
- (2) Acquisition of the site through purchase or expropriation
- (3) Potential for negotiated land swap with the developer

Reason:

Development proposals at the corner of the Prince Albert Road and Glenwood Avenue have gone through several iterations and have been controversial. After a long and difficult process, the developer received approval to build a seven storey plus penthouse apartment building on the site. That compromise is in the process of being cast aside though in favour of a 16 storey as-of-right hotel development. The developers are fully acting within their legal rights, but a 16 storey hotel doesn't fit the community vision established in the upcoming Centre Plan or with the feedback provided by the 100s of residents during the approval process for an apartment building. Council and the community need to know what options are available.

Outcome Sought:

Staff information report.

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