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Item No. 8.1

Request for Committee on the Commemoration of Edward Cornwallis and the Recognition and Commemoration of Indigenous History Consideration	
	to Municipal ce by Noon at
Date of Meeting: October 22, 2018	
Subject: Proposed Motion from Co-Chairs – Governance Structure	
Motion for the Committee on the Commemoration of Edward Cornwallis and the Recognition and Commemoration of Indigenous History to Consider:	
It is recommended that Halifax Regional Council authorize the establishment of a joint committee that will reflect an equal partnership between Halifax Regional Council and the Assembly of Nova Scotia Mi'kmaq Chiefs and further the joint committee, constituted with the existing members of the Commemoration committee, will be responsible for its own determination of the process and procedures by which it will fulfill the existing mandate, and the funding will be a joint and equal responsibility of HRM and the Assembly of Chiefs. Reason: The existing committee (Committee on the Commemoration of Edward Cornwallis and the Recognition and Commemoration of Indigenous History) is a committee of council created by Halifax Regional Council in the spirit of reconciliation, following the Halifax Regional Council's Statement of Reconciliation, and in respect of the report and Calls to Action of the National Truth and Reconciliation Commission. An equal number of Mi'kmaq and non-Mi'kmaq representatives have been invited by Council to form this committee.	
This committee is nonetheless a creation of Halifax Regional Council. In the true spirit of reconciliation, the mandate with which this group has been tasked calls for an equal partnership between Halifax Regional Municipality and the Mi'kmaw community, as represented by the Assembly of Nova Scotia Mi'kmaq Chiefs. The membership of the group and the mandate with which it has been tasked will not change, however the funding mechanism will be an equal responsibility of the two, and the group will be a joint committee responsible for its own determination of the process and procedures by which it will fulfill the mandate.	
Outcome Sought: To create, from the existing above-noted committee of council, a joint committee representing an equal partnership between Halifax Regional Council and the Assembly of Nova Scotia Mi'kmaq Chiefs, which will determine its own process and procedures for fulfilling the existing mandate.	
MEMBER Chief Roderick Googoo Monica MacDonald	