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HALIFAX

Second Quarter Report

Presentation to Audit and
Finance Standing Committee

General Rate Surplus

- Projected surplus of \$7.9m primarily due to:
 - Decrease in salaries and benefits of \$3.5m. Net surplus of \$3.5m represents 0.9% of total compensation.
 - Increase in deed transfer taxes of \$14.0m offset by built-in contingency of \$3.0m.
 - Increase in investment income due to new investment policy \$1.1m.
 - Increase in winter snow and ice removal costs \$1.2m as new contracts are greater than budgeted.
 - Decrease in realized parking ticket revenue due to delays in recruitment, partially offset by decreased compensation and delayed training costs \$1.2m.
 - Increased costs associated with storm damage from Hurricane Dorian \$3.1m.
 - Increase in costs related to building maintenance \$1.0m.

Risks and Opportunities

- We monitor other items that may affect our projections going forward:

Risks:

- The impacts of winter-related weather conditions
- Commodity costs (fuel, diesel, salt, etc.)
- Decreasing parking revenue

Opportunities:

- General contingency reserve available balance of \$3.2m.

Councillors' Funds

- District Capital Funds
 - Of the total budget of \$3.0m, \$2.3m has been spent or committed leaving \$0.7m available.
- District Activity Funds
 - Of the \$72.0k budget, \$35.0k has been spent or committed leaving \$37.0k available.

Recreation Area Rates

- There are 21 Recreation Area Rate Accounts.
- The surplus in these accounts at April 1, 2019 was \$1.5m.
- Revenue of \$0.4m has been earned and \$0.5m has been spent.
- The surplus at September 30, 2019 is \$1.4m.

Reserves

- HRM's reserves opening balance at April 1, 2019 was \$240.2m.
- To date \$68.5m has been transferred into reserves and \$37.9m has been transferred out of reserves.
- The balance in reserves at September 30, 2019 is \$270.8m.
- Pending revenue is \$43.5m and pending expenditures are \$170.9m.
- Projected available balance in reserves at March 31, 2020 is \$143.4m.

Aged Accounts Receivable

Property Taxes	\$	354.6m
Local Improvement Charges		8.9m
Payments-in-Lieu of Taxes		22.4m
General Revenue		<u>5.4m</u>
Total Gross Accounts Receivable	\$	<u>391.3m</u>

Capital Projection Summary

Net Budget available before expenditures, September 30, 2019	\$ 321.4m
Spent by September 30, 2019	\$ 57.8m
Projected expenditures by March 31, 2020	\$ 192.3m
Projected Carry Forward to 2020-21	\$ 129.1m

Hospitality Expenses

- For the three-month period ended September 30, 2019, hospitality expenditures were \$12.2k.
- Hospitality expenses are: Expenses incurred while hosting individuals from outside the municipal government for reasons of diplomacy, protocol, business development or promotional advocacy. Examples include: gifts, receptions, ceremonies, conferences, performances or other group events.

Expenses for Reportable Individuals

Name	Local Travel	Out of Town Travel	Development/ Training	Meals & Other Miscellaneous Expenses	Total
Mayor Mike Savage	791	-	-	560	1,351
Councillor Steve Streach	1,804	-	-	-	1,804
Councillor David Hendsbee	2,620	-	-	-	2,620
Councillor Bill Karsten	-	-	-	-	-
Councillor Lorelei Nicoll	375	1,469	947	-	2,792
Councillor Sam Austin	-	-	-	-	-
Deputy Mayor Tony Mancini	265	762	-	-	1,027
Councillor Waye Mason	-	-	-	-	-
Councillor Lindell Smith	-	1,864	-	-	1,864
Councillor Shawn Cleary	-	-	-	-	-
Councillor Russell Walker	-	598	-	-	598
Councillor Steve Adams	2,098	-	-	-	2,098
Councillor Richard Zurawski	734	-	-	-	734
Councillor Matt Witman	911	-	-	-	911
Councillor Lisa Blackburn	1,417	-	-	-	1,417
Councillor Steve Craig	-	-	-	-	-
Councillor Tim Outhit	-	-	-	-	-
Jacques Dubé, CAO	102	2,435	1,034	232	3,803
Total	11,117	7,127	1,981	793	21,018