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Item No. 11.1

Request for Community Planning & Economic Development Standing Committee Consideration

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Date of Standing Committee Meeting: September 28, 2020

Subject: Commercial Tax and Small Business: Five Zones with Tiers Options

Motion for CPED Consideration:

That the Community Planning and Economic Development Standing Committee recommend that Halifax Regional Council proceed with the proposed commercial tax structure changes in the 2021/22 fiscal year.

Reason:

A staff information report respecting a tiered commercial and small business tax regime was before Halifax Regional Council at its September 1, 2020 meeting. This information report was brought forward in response to Council's July 25, 2019 motion on Commercial Tax Options for Small Businesses. The report outlines an option to establish five assessment-based tax zones with tiered tax rates for commercial enterprises. For further information, please refer to the staff information report dated June 24, 2020.

Outcome Sought:

That the Community Planning and Economic Development Standing Committee recommend that Halifax Regional Council proceed with the proposed commercial tax structure changes in the 2021/22 fiscal year.

Councillor Wayne Mason

District 7