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Item No. 11.8.2

Request for Council's Consideration	
Clerk's Office by Noon Clerk's	tted to Municipal Office by Noon one day prior to
Date of Council Meeting: June 29, 2021	
Subject: Mobile Shower Pilot Program	
Motion for Council to Consider: That Regional Council request a staff report examining the possibility of a pilot program providing shower facilities for people experiencing homelessness either through retrofitted transit buses, or partnering with a community organization to provide mobile shower trailers or working with recreation facilities.	
Reason: Homeless individuals face a barrier to basic hygiene and sanitation services. Poor hygiene among the homeless contributes to infectious disease and poor mental health. The idea would be that this would be similar to the agreement we have with the YMCA for the Senior Snow Removal Program. These services have been, and in some cases, still are operational in Abbotsford, Victoria, Edmonton, and Toronto.	
Showers could be provided as retrofitted Halifax Transit buses, through a community group purchasing a commercial trailer or by working with recreation facilities to develop a program. The staff report should consider potential costs, partnerships, parking, safety and risk management for staff and volunteers, water system considerations and site selection for the program.	
Outcome Sought: Staff report on pilot program to provide shower facilities for people experiencing homelessness.	
Councillor Tony Mancini	District 6