

Request for TSC Consideration		
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Date of Meeting: October 11, 2022		
Subject: Granville Mall		
Motion for Committee to Consider		
<p>Transportation Standing Committee requests a staff report and recommendations for potential amendments to HRM Bylaw T-1000, Respecting the Regulation of Taxis, Accessible Taxis, Limousines and Transportation Network Companies, the purpose of which is to creating a new category to provide legislation that relates to the tourism industry, operating passenger vehicles, with a maximum seating capacity of 8 passengers within HRM.</p>		
<p>Reason: A local tour operator has identified a regulatory gap in HRM and NS that impacts small bespoke tourism operators.</p> <p>There is no provincial licensing for tour operators with a maximum seating of 8 or less.</p> <p>There is no municipal licensing for tour operators at this time.</p> <p>The operator has asked HRM to create rules around what local tour companies have to do in order for them to become compliant.</p> <p>As most drivers are employees who are seasonal, it would be prudent to set up a system that is easy, accessible, and good for local businesses, while making sure safety standards are being enforced.</p> <p>It has been suggested that a regulatory regime similar to those in Niagara are considered, and that process be easy and safe for local operators.</p>		
<p>Outcome Sought: report with recommendations for committee to consider recommending to Regional Council to consider prior to next summers tourism season.</p>		
<i>Councillor Wayne Mason</i>		<i>District 7</i>