

Request for Council's Consideration

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(Submitted to Municipal Clerk's Office by Noon Monday) | <input type="checkbox"/> Request from the Floor |
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Date of Meeting: September 12, 2023; September 26, 2023

Subject: Transfer of provincial PIDs within HRM's municipal road boundary

Motion for Consideration:

That Halifax Regional Council:

1. waive section 17 of Administrative Order One, requiring a staff report from the Chief Administrative Officer; and
2. direct the Chief Administrative Officer write to the Province of Nova Scotia to request that they provide:
 - a) a plan for identification and transfer of provincial road reserves, parkland via subdivision, and stormwater infrastructure such as drainage corridors that should have been transferred to the municipality resulting from past provincial property transfers in 2006 and 2022; and,
 - b) a description of their maintenance standards and planned activities to maintain/upgrade provincial stormwater infrastructure, including drainage corridors outside of and within the municipal service boundary, that fall under provincial authority in the Halifax Regional Municipality.

Reason:

In 2006 and 2022, the Province of Nova Scotia transferred roads and stormwater infrastructure to HRM. Dozens of provincial PIDs were not transferred within the municipal road boundary, including road reserves, parkland via subdivision, and numerous drainage corridors. These unmaintained drainage corridors are not integrated with Halifax Water's stormwater system resulting in an incomplete and ineffective stormwater system. In addition to the challenges with unmaintained provincial property, there is uncertainty of maintenance standards with the provincial stormwater infrastructure in HRM including wooden cross culverts.

Outcome Sought:

Letter from CAO to Province of Nova Scotia on their plan to identify and transfer provincial PIDs within HRM's municipal road boundary and details on provincial maintenance standards and planned activities to maintain/upgrade provincial stormwater infrastructure.

Moved by
Councillor Pam Lovelace

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