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Item No. 15.2.2

Request for Council's Consideration		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Included on Agenda (Submitted to Municipal Clerk's Office by Noon Thursday)	<input type="checkbox"/> Added Item (Submitted to Municipal Clerk's Office by Noon Monday)	<input type="checkbox"/> Request from the Floor
Date of Council Meeting: 17 October 2023		
Subject: 2023-24 Affordable Housing Grant Program Funding		
Motion for Council to Consider: That Halifax Regional Council request a staff report directing the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) to allocate a portion of the funds received as part of the Housing Accelerator Fund toward the Affordable Housing Grant Program (AHGP) in time for the 2023/24 grant year, with the intent to expand the AHGP to eligible proposals in suburban and rural parts of the municipality.		
Reason: With the current climate in the Halifax Regional Municipality, it is important to ensure the funds from the Housing Accelerator fund are used efficiently to combat the affordable housing crisis. This change would allow Planning to direct funds to projects that are focused on affordability including Rapid Housing Initiative projects that weren't successful previously. This would also allow Halifax Water Fees to be eligible as a construction cost under our grant program.		
Outcome Sought: Allocating portion of Housing Accelerator Funds to the 2023/24 Affordable Housing Grant Program.		
<i>Councillor</i> Tony Mancini	<i>District</i> 6	