

Item 10.3.1

From: [MacDonald, Elizabeth](#)
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Subject: RE: [External Email] Presentation requests - ESSC
Date: Tuesday, July 22, 2025 11:41:16 AM

Dear Matt Stickland,

Thank you for your email. This is to confirm that your request has been received by the Municipal Clerk's Office and will be taken forward to the Audit and Finance Standing Committee Agenda Review Committee for their consideration.

Please advise whether you have a request to make of the Committee, or if the presentation is to provide information only? Any detail you can provide for the Agenda Review Committee would be appreciated.

The next Standing Committee meeting is scheduled for August 20, with the following meeting to be held on September 17. If either of these dates would pose a scheduling conflict please let me know. Following a decision by the Agenda Review Committee I will reply by email to let you know the outcome of your request to present.

Please note that if your request to present is approved, your below email and any accompanying documentation (i.e. presentation slides, handouts etc.) will form part of the agenda and public record, including being posted on Halifax.ca. Further information regarding presentations is available on our website at <https://www.halifax.ca/city-hall/regional-council/communicating-halifax-regional-council>.

Meetings are audio and/or video recorded for the purpose of creating a record of the proceedings. If you do not wish to be recorded, please withdraw your request to present; you can provide a written submission instead.

Best Regards,

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From: Matt Stickland <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Saturday, July 19, 2025 11:03 AM
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Hello,

If this is better as separate emails for administrative purposes I'm happy to resend, because I would like to make three presentations to committee.

I believe there are a few tweaks to municipal legislation/regulation that could help the city achieve some of its strategic goals, specifically in the realm of road safety and fiscal

sustainability and as such would like to make the following three presentations.

To audit and finance:

1) A presentation about budget reconciliation assessment frameworks. In brief, the city of Hamilton has a framework as part of their budget process to tell councillors if their budget is moving closer to or further away from fiscal sustainability. I think a version of this could be implemented into Halifax's budget process and if it were would give council better information about the fiscal implications of policy decisions.

2) A presentation about sinking funds. The city of Winnipeg uses sinking funds to manage debt load, pay for capital projects and stabilize the tax rate. Although the legislative framework is different between Halifax and Winnipeg, I believe sinking funds and the charter granted power to levy area rates could be used to the same effect in Halifax.

To transportation standing committee:

3) A presentation about the traffic calming administrative order. I believe that with an amendment it is possible to make roads safer, for less money while also using this AO to work towards achieving Halifax's strategic IMP and Road Safety goals. Essentially, I think there is an amendment that would make this legislation more efficient.

With any questions I can be reached at this email or [REDACTED] Thank you for your consideration on this matter.

Cheers,

Matt Stickland

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