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## Item 1.1

### Harbour East-Marine Drive Community Council Special Meeting December 16, 2020

**TO:** Chair and Members of Harbour East-Marine Drive Community Council

**SUBMITTED BY:**

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Simon Ross-Siegel, Legislative Assistant

**DATE:** November 19, 2020

**SUBJECT:** Harbour East-Marine Drive Community Council – 2020 Annual Report

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#### **ORIGIN / LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY**

Section 27(1) of the HRM Charter states:

A community council shall hold an annual public meeting in the community in each year to report to the public concerning its activities and to receive the views of the public respecting all matters within its mandate. The powers and duties of Community Councils are outlined in section 25 of the HRM Charter.

Harbour East-Marine Drive Community Council requested that the Legislative Assistant maintain a record of the Community Council's business for the first annual meeting held in 2013 and annually held thereafter.

#### **BACKGROUND**

Harbour East-Marine Drive Community Council was established on December 3, 2012 by Administrative Order 48, Respecting the Creation of Community Councils.

Harbour East-Marine Drive Community Council includes the following districts:

- District 2 – Preston – Chezzetcook – Eastern Shore (Councillor David Hendsbee)
- District 3 – Dartmouth South – Eastern Passage (Councillor Becky Kent)
- District 4 – Cole Harbour – Westphal (Councillor Trish Purdy)
- District 5 – Dartmouth Centre (Councillor Sam Austin)
- District 6 – Harbourview – Burnside – Dartmouth East (Councillor Tony Mancini)

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

That the Harbour East-Marine Drive Community Council accept and table the 2020 Annual Report as presented.

## **DISCUSSION**

Harbour East-Marine Drive Community Council met nine (9) times between December 5, 2019 and November 12, 2020. Prior to April of 2020, meetings of Harbour East-Marine Drive Community Council took place in the HEMDCC Meeting Space, 60 Alderney Drive, Dartmouth, with the exception of March 5, 2020 meeting which was held at the Old School Gathering Place, 7962 Hwy #7, Musquodoboit Harbour. Subsequent meetings were held virtually due to the public health guidelines related to Covid-19.

Community Council met on the following dates:

- December 5, 2019

### **2020:**

- January 9, 2020
- February 6, 2020
- March 5, 2020
- June 30, 2020 (Special Meeting)
- August 6, 2020 (Special Meeting)
- August 19, 2020 (Special Meeting)
- September 10, 2020 (Special Meeting)
- November 12, 2020 (Special Meeting)

Harbour East-Marine Drive Community Council's business for the period of December 5, 2020 to November 12, 2020 includes the following:

- 5 public hearings
- 1 variance hearing
- 0 variance appeal hearings
- 15 staff reports
- 0 reports from Board and Committees
- 2 Motion from a Community Council Member
- 0 requests for information reports brought forward by members of Community Council
- 1 piece of correspondence (independent from matters before Community Council)
- 0 petitions
- 0 presentations
- 3 speakers during public participation
- 9 information reports
- Community Council met in camera (in private) one time.

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Public Hearings were held on the following matters:

### **January 9, 2020:**

#### **Case 21982: Land Use By-law amendment to the TH (Town Housing) Zone and Rezone 20 Sea King Drive, Dartmouth from the R-1 (Single Family) Zone to the TH (Town Housing) Zone**

Public Hearing held and closed. Motion approved that Harbour East-Marine Drive Community Council adopt the amendments to the Land Use Bylaw for Dartmouth, to amend the lot coverage requirements in the TH (Town Housing) Zone as set out in Attachments A of the staff report September 18, 2019, and to amend Schedule 1 of the Land Use By-law for Dartmouth, to rezone the lands at 20 Sea King Drive from the R-1 (Single Family Residential) Zone to the TH (Town Housing) Zone, as set out in Attachment B of the staff report dated September 18, 2019.

**February 6, 2020:**

**Case 21296: Development Agreement for King's Wharf, Dartmouth**

Public Hearing held and closed. Motion approved that Harbour East-Marine Drive Community Council:

1. Approve, by resolution, the Discharge Agreement, which shall be substantially of the same form as set out in Attachment B of this report;
2. Approve the proposed development agreement, which shall be substantially of the same form as set out in Attachment A with the exception that the reference to 3.18.14 in section 6.1.1(h) should be replaced with 3.18.16; and
3. Require that both agreements be signed by the property owner within 120 days, or any extension thereof granted by Council on request of the property owner, from the date of final approval by Council and any other bodies as necessary, including applicable appeal periods, whichever is later; otherwise this approval will be void and obligations arising hereunder shall be at an end.

Additionally, it was approved that Harbour East-Marine Drive Community Council request a staff regarding options for the construction of a direct trail connection from Ferry Terminal Park to King's Wharf.

**March 5, 2020:**

**Case 21856: Development Agreement for #8005 Highway 7, Musquodoboit Harbour**

Public Hearing held and closed. Motion approved that Harbour East-Marine Drive Community Council:

1. Approve the proposed development agreement, which shall be substantially of the same form as set out in Attachment A; and
2. Require the agreement be signed by the property owners within 240 days, or any extension thereof granted by Council on request of a property owner, from the date of final approval by Council and any other bodies as necessary, including applicable appeal periods, whichever is later; otherwise this approval will be void and obligations arising hereunder shall be at an end.

**June 30, 2020:**

**Case 21880: Rezoning and Development Agreement for 358-364 Portland Street and PIDs 40356081 and 00221952, Dartmouth**

Public Hearing held and closed. Motion approved that Harbour East-Marine Drive Community Council adopt the amendment to Schedule 1, Zoning Map, of the Land Use By-law for Dartmouth, as set out in Attachment A of the staff report dated January 7, 2020.

**September 10, 2020:**

**Case 21951: Development Agreement for 1000 Micmac Boulevard, Dartmouth**

Public Hearing held and closed. Motion approved that Harbour East-Marine Drive Community Council:

1. Approve the proposed development agreement, which shall be substantially of the same form as set out in Attachment A of the staff report dated July 31, 2020; and
2. Require the agreement be signed by the property owner within 240 days, or any extension thereof granted by Council on request of the property owner, from the date of final approval by Council and any other bodies as necessary, including applicable appeal periods, whichever is later; otherwise this approval will be void and obligations arising hereunder shall be at an end.

Variance Hearings

**September 10, 2020:**

**Fence located at 470 Dyke Road**

Variance Hearing held and closed. Motion approved that Harbour East-Marine Drive Community Council approve the request to construct fencing in excess of 6.5 feet in height at 470 Dyke Road, Cow Bay.

Variance Appeals – NONE

Additional information on the matters dealt with by Community Council and the minutes of the meetings can be viewed online at <https://www.halifax.ca/city-hall/agendas-meetings-reports>

Public Participation:

Members of public spoke to wide range of Municipal matters including: planning matters, planning appeal deadlines, process regarding planning appeals, incorporated boundaries for communities, and the importance of gender parity among elected representatives.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

There are no financial implications associated with this report.

**RISK CONSIDERATION**

There are no risk considerations associated with this report.

**COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

Community Council meetings are open to the public, unless otherwise stated in the agenda. Each regular meeting includes a Public Participation portion at the end of each agenda, which provides an opportunity for citizens to pose questions or provide comments to Councillors, through the Chair. During the public health measures related to Covid-19, Public Participation as a standing agenda item was not accommodated, however members of the public were directed to alternative forms of public participation including written correspondence submitted through the clerk's office. Minutes, agendas and reports are available on the HRM website and from the Office of the Municipal Clerk.

**ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS**

There are no environmental implications associated with this report.

**ALTERNATIVES**

Harbour East-Marine Drive Community Council could choose not to accept the 2020 Annual Report. This is not the recommended action.

**ATTACHMENTS**

None.

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A copy of this report can be obtained online at [halifax.ca](http://halifax.ca) or by contacting the Office of the Municipal Clerk at 902.490.4210.

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