

HARBOUR EAST – MARINE DRIVE COMMUNITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING DRAFT MINUTES July 3, 2025

PRESENT: Councillor Becky Kent, Chair Councillor Trish Purdy, Vice Chair Councillor David Hendsbee Councillor Sam Austin Deputy Mayor Tony Mancini

STAFF: Meg MacDougall, Solicitor Simon Ross-Siegel, Legislative Assistant

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1. CALL TO ORDER AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Chair called the meeting to order at 6:06 p.m. and acknowledged that the meeting took place in the traditional and ancestral territory of the Mi'kmaq people, and that we are all treaty people.

2. APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF BUSINESS AND APPROVAL OF ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS

Additions: None

Deletions: None

MOVED by Councillor Austin, seconded by Councillor Hendsbee

THAT the agenda be approved as presented.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

3. CALL FOR DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTERESTS - NONE

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS

4.1 PLANAPP 2024-01322: Substantive Amendment to Development Agreement for 112/114 Wyse Road, Dartmouth

The following was before Community Council:

- Staff report dated May 1, 2025
- Staff presentation dated July 3, 2025
- Applicant presentation dated July 3, 2025

Craig Wournell, Planner II gave a presentation and responded to questions of clarification from Community Council.

The hearing opened at 6:14 p.m.

The Chair invited the applicant to come forward and address Community Council.

Matthew Kijewski, Architect for Fathom Studio gave a presentation and responded to questions from Community Council. Kijewski spoke to the proposed substantive amendments and the subject site. Kijewski spoke to wind shadows, traffic and parking.

The Chair reviewed the rules of procedure for public hearings and called for anyone wishing to speak on the matter.

Colin May, Dartmouth spoke to concerns regarding traffic and potential disruptions related to construction.

The Chair invited the applicant to respond to questions raised by the public.

Matthew Kijewski responded to questions raised by the public. Kijewski noted that any future construction would be subject to a construction management plan.

MOVED by Councillor Austin, seconded by Councillor Purdy

THAT the hearing be closed.

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The hearing closed at 6:31 p.m.

MOVED by Councillor Austin, seconded by Deputy Mayor Mancini

THAT the Harbour East – Marine Drive Community Council:

- 1. Approve the proposed amending agreement, which shall be substantially of the same form as set out in Attachment A of the staff report dated May 1, 2025; and
- 2. Require the amending agreement 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.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

5. REPORTS

5.1 Recommendation Report Local Street Bikeway Dartmouth

The following was before Community Council:

- Staff report dated April 2, 2025
- Staff presentation dated July 3, 2025
- Correspondence from Victor Matthews, Greg Beaulieu and Stephen Ellis

Maria Jacobs, Active Transportation Planner gave a presentation and responded to questions of clarification from the Community Council.

MOVED by Councillor Austin, seconded by Deputy Mayor Mancini

THAT the Harbour East – Marine Drive Community Council recommend that Regional Council:

- 1. Approve the installation of approximately 2.5 km of bicycle facilities in Dartmouth along Slayter Street, from Albro Lake Road to Thistle Street, with a north connection along Albro Lake Road to Victoria Road, a west connection on Gladstone to Nantucket Avenue, and a south connection from Nantucket Avenue, through the Dartmouth Common to Dahlia Street as described in the Discussion section of the staff report dated April 2, 2025; and
- 2. Direct staff to initiate a planning project to further explore a south connection between Thistle and Ochterloney Streets and Sawmill Creek Greenway as described in the Discussion section of the staff report dated April 2, 2025.

Jacobs and Mark Nener, Supervisor of Active Transportation Planning, responded to questions of clarification from the Community Council. Jacobs and Nener spoke to design, half-signal crossing lights, multi-use active transportation paths and signage in the Dartmouth Commons, and diverter design.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

6. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

Simon Ross-Siegel Legislative Assistant