

HALIFAX REGIONAL COUNCIL SPECIAL VIRTUAL MEETING RECORDED VOTES

June 9, 2020

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Number Present: 17 Date of Council Meeting: June 9, 2020

Item No: 04 – Consent Agenda – Motion to approve items 9.1.2 and 9.1.3

Moved: Councillor Mason Seconded: Councillor Cleary

May	or / Councillor	In Favour	Against
1	Councillor Steve Streatch	Х	
2	Councillor David Hendsbee	Х	
3	Councillor Bill Karsten	Х	
4	Councillor Lorelei Nicoll	Х	
5	Councillor Sam Austin	Х	
6	Councillor Tony Mancini	Х	
7	Councillor Waye Mason	Х	
8	Councillor Lindell Smith	Х	
9	Councillor Shawn Cleary	Х	
10	Councillor Russell Walker	Х	
11	Councillor Stephen D. Adams	Х	
12	Councillor Richard Zurawski	Х	
13	Councillor Matt Whitman	Х	
14	Deputy Mayor Lisa Blackburn	Х	
15	Councillor Paul Russell	Х	
16	Councillor Tim Outhit	Х	
17	Mayor Mike Savage	Х	
	Total	17	
		In Favour	Against

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Item No: 9.1.1 – Dutch Village Road Complete Streets Functional Plan

Moved: Councillor Walker Seconded: Councillor Cleary

May	or / Councillor	In Favour	Against
1	Councillor Steve Streatch	Х	
2	Councillor David Hendsbee	Х	
3	Councillor Bill Karsten	NP	
4	Councillor Lorelei Nicoll	Х	
5	Councillor Sam Austin	Х	
6	Councillor Tony Mancini	Х	
7	Councillor Waye Mason	Х	
8	Councillor Lindell Smith	Х	
9	Councillor Shawn Cleary	Х	
10	Councillor Russell Walker	Х	
11	Councillor Stephen D. Adams	Х	
12	Councillor Richard Zurawski	Х	
13	Councillor Matt Whitman	Х	
14	Deputy Mayor Lisa Blackburn	X	
15	Councillor Paul Russell	Х	
16	Councillor Tim Outhit	Х	
17	Mayor Mike Savage	Х	
	Total	16	
		In Favour	Against

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Item No: 9.1.4 - Recommendations to the Current Provincial Aid-to-Municipality Program

Moved: Councillor Hendsbee Seconded: Councillor Zurawski

May	or / Councillor	In Favour	Against
1	Councillor Steve Streatch	Х	
2	Councillor David Hendsbee	Х	
3	Councillor Bill Karsten	NP	
4	Councillor Lorelei Nicoll	X	
5	Councillor Sam Austin	Х	
6	Councillor Tony Mancini	Х	
7	Councillor Waye Mason	Х	
8	Councillor Lindell Smith	Х	
9	Councillor Shawn Cleary	Х	
10	Councillor Russell Walker	Х	
11	Councillor Stephen D. Adams	X	
12	Councillor Richard Zurawski	Х	
13	Councillor Matt Whitman	Х	
14	Deputy Mayor Lisa Blackburn	Х	
15	Councillor Paul Russell	Х	
16	Councillor Tim Outhit	Х	
17	Mayor Mike Savage	Х	
	Total	16	
		In Favour	Against

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Item No: 9.1.5 – Motion to Defer - Case 22322 - Incentive or Bonus Zoning Agreement 1872-1874 Brunswick

Street, Halifax

Moved: Councillor Mason Seconded: Councillor Nicoll

Motion:

THAT Halifax Regional Council defer item 9.1.5 pending a supplementary staff report to provide information on the following: how the gallery will operate, public access (including entry costs), who will determine what art will hang on the walls, and what kind of engagement have they had and/or plan to have with First Nations and Indigenous peoples.

May	or / Councillor	In Favour	Against
1	Councillor Steve Streatch	Х	
2	Councillor David Hendsbee	X	
3	Councillor Bill Karsten	NP	
4	Councillor Lorelei Nicoll	X	
5	Councillor Sam Austin	X	
6	Councillor Tony Mancini	X	
7	Councillor Waye Mason	Х	
8	Councillor Lindell Smith	Х	
9	Councillor Shawn Cleary	Х	
10	Councillor Russell Walker	Х	
11	Councillor Stephen D. Adams	Х	
12	Councillor Richard Zurawski	Х	
13	Councillor Matt Whitman		Χ
14	Deputy Mayor Lisa Blackburn	X	
15	Councillor Paul Russell	Х	
16	Councillor Tim Outhit	X	
17	Mayor Mike Savage	Х	
	Total	15	1
		In Favour	Against

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Item No: 9.2.1 - Case H00489 - Substantial Alteration to Municipally Registered Heritage Properties at 1724

and 1740 Granville Street, Halifax

Moved: Councillor Mason Seconded: Councillor Cleary

May	or / Councillor	In Favour	Against
1	Councillor Steve Streatch	Х	
2	Councillor David Hendsbee	X	
3	Councillor Bill Karsten	NP	
4	Councillor Lorelei Nicoll	X	
5	Councillor Sam Austin	X	
6	Councillor Tony Mancini	X	
7	Councillor Waye Mason	X	
8	Councillor Lindell Smith	X	
9	Councillor Shawn Cleary	X	
10	Councillor Russell Walker	Х	
11	Councillor Stephen D. Adams	Х	
12	Councillor Richard Zurawski	Х	
13	Councillor Matt Whitman	X	
14	Deputy Mayor Lisa Blackburn	X	
15	Councillor Paul Russell	X	
16	Councillor Tim Outhit	X	
17	Mayor Mike Savage	X	
	Total	16	
		In Favour	Against

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Item No: 9.3.1 Councillor Hendsbee - Infrastructure Funding Application for Active Transportation

Enhancement to the Mineville Road

Moved: Councillor Hendsbee Seconded: Councillor Streatch

May	or / Councillor	In Favour	Against
1	Councillor Steve Streatch	Х	
2	Councillor David Hendsbee	Х	
3	Councillor Bill Karsten	NP	
4	Councillor Lorelei Nicoll	Х	
5	Councillor Sam Austin	Х	
6	Councillor Tony Mancini	Х	
7	Councillor Waye Mason	Х	
8	Councillor Lindell Smith	Х	
9	Councillor Shawn Cleary	Х	
10	Councillor Russell Walker	Х	
11	Councillor Stephen D. Adams	Х	
12	Councillor Richard Zurawski	Х	
13	Councillor Matt Whitman	Х	
14	Deputy Mayor Lisa Blackburn	Х	
15	Councillor Paul Russell	Х	
16	Councillor Tim Outhit	Х	
17	Mayor Mike Savage	Х	
	Total	16	
		In Favour	Against

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Item No: 10.1 - Ratification from Budget Committee May 22, 2020

Moved: Councillor Cleary Seconded: Councillor Nicoll

May	or / Councillor	In Favour	Against
1	Councillor Steve Streatch	X	
2	Councillor David Hendsbee	X	
3	Councillor Bill Karsten	X	
4	Councillor Lorelei Nicoll	X	
5	Councillor Sam Austin	X	
6	Councillor Tony Mancini	X	
7	Councillor Waye Mason	X	
8	Councillor Lindell Smith	X	
9	Councillor Shawn Cleary	X	
10	Councillor Russell Walker	X	
11	Councillor Stephen D. Adams	X	
12	Councillor Richard Zurawski	X	
13	Councillor Matt Whitman		Х
14	Deputy Mayor Lisa Blackburn	X	
15	Councillor Paul Russell	X	
16	Councillor Tim Outhit	Х	
17	Mayor Mike Savage	Х	
	Total	16	1
		In Favour	Against

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Item No: 10.2 – Motion - Councillor Zurawski – Request a Staff Report for a Plan for the Creation of a Park at

Blue Mountain Birch Cove

Moved: Councillor Zurawski Seconded: Councillor Adams

May	or / Councillor	In Favour	Against
1	Councillor Steve Streatch	Х	
2	Councillor David Hendsbee	Х	
3	Councillor Bill Karsten	NP	
4	Councillor Lorelei Nicoll	Х	
5	Councillor Sam Austin	Х	
6	Councillor Tony Mancini	Х	
7	Councillor Waye Mason	Х	
8	Councillor Lindell Smith	Х	
9	Councillor Shawn Cleary	Х	
10	Councillor Russell Walker	Х	
11	Councillor Stephen D. Adams	Х	
12	Councillor Richard Zurawski	Х	
13	Councillor Matt Whitman	Х	
14	Deputy Mayor Lisa Blackburn	Х	
15	Councillor Paul Russell	Х	
16	Councillor Tim Outhit	Х	
17	Mayor Mike Savage	Х	
	Total	16	
		In Favour	Against

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Item No: 11.1 – Property Matter

Moved: Councillor Cleary Seconded: Councillor Streatch

May	or / Councillor	In Favour	Against
1	Councillor Steve Streatch	X	
2	Councillor David Hendsbee	X	
3	Councillor Bill Karsten	NP	
4	Councillor Lorelei Nicoll	X	
5	Councillor Sam Austin	X	
6	Councillor Tony Mancini	X	
7	Councillor Waye Mason	X	
8	Councillor Lindell Smith	X	
9	Councillor Shawn Cleary	X	
10	Councillor Russell Walker	X	
11	Councillor Stephen D. Adams	X	
12	Councillor Richard Zurawski	X	
13	Councillor Matt Whitman	X	
14	Deputy Mayor Lisa Blackburn	X	
15	Councillor Paul Russell	X	
16	Councillor Tim Outhit	X	
17	Mayor Mike Savage	X	
	Total	16	
		In Favour	Against

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Item No: 11.2 – Property Matter

Moved: Councillor Mason Seconded: Councillor Nicoll

Mayor / Councillor		In Favour	Against
1	Councillor Steve Streatch	Х	
2	Councillor David Hendsbee		X
3	Councillor Bill Karsten	NP	
4	Councillor Lorelei Nicoll	Х	
5	Councillor Sam Austin	Х	
6	Councillor Tony Mancini	Х	
7	Councillor Waye Mason	Х	
8	Councillor Lindell Smith	Х	
9	Councillor Shawn Cleary	Х	
10	Councillor Russell Walker	X	
11	Councillor Stephen D. Adams	X	
12	Councillor Richard Zurawski	X	
13	Councillor Matt Whitman	X	
14	Deputy Mayor Lisa Blackburn	Х	
15	Councillor Paul Russell	Х	
16	Councillor Tim Outhit	X	
17	Mayor Mike Savage	Х	
	Total	15	1
		In Favour	Against

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Item No: 12.1 - Ratification from Budget Committee June 9, 2020 - Proposed 2020-21 Budget and Business

Plan

Moved: Deputy Mayor Blackburn Seconded: Councillor Nicoll

Motion:

THAT it is hereby resolved that:

A) The Operating Budget in the amount of \$955,255,300 gross expenditures (which includes \$787,055,300 in municipal expenditures including the reserve withdrawals specified in the Operating and Project Budget); \$753,640,300 in property tax revenues (including area rate revenues) and \$201,615,000 in other revenues be approved;

- B) The Capital Budget in the amount of \$149,826,333 be approved;
- C) The general rates of taxation on residential and resource property be set at
- (i) \$0.670 for the urban area
- (ii) \$0.637 for the suburban area; and
- (iii) \$0.637 for the rural area per \$100 of taxable assessment;
- D) The general rates of taxation on commercial property be set at
- (i) \$3.000 for the urban area;
- (ii) \$3.000 for the suburban area; and
- (iii) \$2.658 for the rural area per \$100 of taxable assessment;
- E) The Halifax Transit Annual Service Plan and the tax rates associated with Transit Taxation be set at
- (i) \$0.047 for the Regional Transportation tax rate;
- (ii) \$0.098 for the Local Transit tax rate per \$100 of taxable assessment;
- F) (i) The boundaries of the urban, suburban and rural areas are delineated in Attachment A of the staff report dated May 30, 2020, the "Tax Area Map";
- (ii) The boundary of the Regional Transportation Area includes all properties within communities included within Attachment B of the staff report dated May 30, 2020, the "Regional Transportation Area"; and,
- (iii) The boundary for the Local Transit area includes all properties within 1km walking distance of any HRM transit stop;
- G) Fire Protection rates shall be set at the rate of \$0.014 per \$100 for all residential and resource assessment and at \$0.040 per \$100 of the commercial assessment for properties which are within 1,200 feet of a hydrant that is designed and operated for public fire protection purposes;
- H) The Provincial Area Rate for Mandatory Education on residential and resource property be set at the rate of \$0.306; and at a rate of \$0.311 for all commercial assessment;
- I) The Provincial Area Rate for Property Valuation Services on residential and resource property be set at the rate of \$0.016; and at a rate of \$0.009 for all commercial assessment;
- J) The Provincial Area Rate for Corrections Services on residential and resource property be set at the rate of \$0.015; and at a rate of \$0.007 for all commercial assessment;
- K) The Provincial Area Rate for Metro Regional Housing Authority on residential and resource property be set at the rate of \$0.007; and at a rate of \$0.008 for all commercial assessment;
- L) Supplementary Education, under Section 80 of the Halifax Regional Municipality Charter, shall be set at the rate of \$0.023 per \$100 of the residential and resource assessment and at \$0.066 per \$100 of the commercial assessment;
- M) The final tax bills will become due on Friday, October 30, 2020;

- N) The interest rate on the Special Reserve Funds, designated as requiring interest under Section 121(2) of the Halifax Charter, be set at the rate of return on funds invested by HRM for the period April 1, 2020 to March 31, 2021;
- O) The interest rate on all reserves except for those identified in (n) above will be set at the rate of return on funds invested by HRM for the period April 1, 2020 to March 31, 2021;
- P) Withdrawals from Reserves (capital and operating) in the amount of \$111,860,100 are approved, as detailed in Attachment D "Schedule of Withdrawals from Reserves 2020-21" of the staff report dated May 30, 2020;
- Q) Multi-Year Projects are approved in the amount of \$241,984,300 from 2020/21 to 2024/25, found in the "Schedule of Multi-Year Projects" in Attachment C of the staff report dated May 30, 2020 are approved; and, R) The "Schedule of Area Tax Rates" (Attachment E), and "Schedule of Budgeted Expenditures & Revenues for 2020/21 Area Rated Services" (Attachment F of the staff report dated May 30, 2020) are approved.

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1	Councillor Steve Streatch	Х	
2	Councillor David Hendsbee	X	
3	Councillor Bill Karsten	X	
4	Councillor Lorelei Nicoll	X	
5	Councillor Sam Austin	X	
6	Councillor Tony Mancini	X	
7	Councillor Waye Mason	X	
8	Councillor Lindell Smith	Х	
9	Councillor Shawn Cleary	Х	
10	Councillor Russell Walker	X	
11	Councillor Stephen D. Adams	X	
12	Councillor Richard Zurawski	Х	
13	Councillor Matt Whitman		Х
14	Deputy Mayor Lisa Blackburn	Х	
15	Councillor Paul Russell	Х	
16	Councillor Tim Outhit	Х	
17	Mayor Mike Savage	Х	
	То	tal 16	1
		In Favour	Against

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Item No: 12.2 – Part 1 - Ratification from Budget Committee June 9, 2020 - Rescind the Decision to Fund the

Armored Vehicle

Moved: Councillor Cleary Seconded: Councillor Smith

Motion:

THAT Halifax Regional Council rescind the decision to reserve fund the armored vehicle and return the funds (\$500,000) to the Vehicle Fleet and Equipment Reserve Q531.

May	or / Councillor	In Favour	Against
1	Councillor Steve Streatch	Х	
2	Councillor David Hendsbee	X	
3	Councillor Bill Karsten	NP	
4	Councillor Lorelei Nicoll	Χ	
5	Councillor Sam Austin	Х	
6	Councillor Tony Mancini	Х	
7	Councillor Waye Mason	Х	
8	Councillor Lindell Smith	Х	
9	Councillor Shawn Cleary	Х	
10	Councillor Russell Walker	Х	
11	Councillor Stephen D. Adams		X
12	Councillor Richard Zurawski	Х	
13	Councillor Matt Whitman	Х	
14	Deputy Mayor Lisa Blackburn	Х	
15	Councillor Paul Russell	Х	
16	Councillor Tim Outhit	Х	
17	Mayor Mike Savage	Х	
	Total	15	1
		In Favour	Against

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Item No: 12.2 – Part 2 - Ratification from Budget Committee June 9, 2020 – Include Funding in the Recast

2020-21 Budget for Various Special Projects

Moved: Councillor Cleary Seconded: Councillor Smith

Motion:

THAT Halifax Regional Council include the following funding in the recast 2020-21 budget: \$53,500 in programming dollars for the Office of Diversity & Inclusion: \$25,000 for special projects plus \$11,000 to support Business Units to advance Public Safety Strategy actions in the Public Safety Office, and use the remaining funds (\$300,000) to support anti-Black racism efforts and initiatives with funding to come from the General Contingency Reserve Q421.

Mayor / Councillor		In Favour	Against
1	Councillor Steve Streatch	Х	
2	Councillor David Hendsbee	Х	
3	Councillor Bill Karsten	NP	
4	Councillor Lorelei Nicoll	Х	
5	Councillor Sam Austin	Х	
6	Councillor Tony Mancini	Х	
7	Councillor Waye Mason	Х	
8	Councillor Lindell Smith	Х	
9	Councillor Shawn Cleary	Х	
10	Councillor Russell Walker	Х	
11	Councillor Stephen D. Adams	Х	
12	Councillor Richard Zurawski	Х	
13	Councillor Matt Whitman	Х	
14	Deputy Mayor Lisa Blackburn	Х	
15	Councillor Paul Russell	Х	
16	Councillor Tim Outhit	Х	
17	Mayor Mike Savage	Х	
	Total	16	
		In Favour	Against