

Item No. 15.3.1

Request for Consideration		
<input 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
Council or Committee: Regional Council		Date of Meeting: Tuesday June 18, 2024
Subject: Dartmouth Cove Planning Amendments		
Motion: That Halifax Regional Council direct: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. That the Mayor write the federal minister of Transport expressing HRM's objection to Transport Canada's recent approval of infill in Dartmouth Cove without consultation with HRM and requesting that the Department rescind or pause the approval to allow HRM sufficient time to bring in a bylaw2. That the Mayor write the Federal Minister of Fisheries thanking the Department for extending the consultation period for Dartmouth Cove and requesting that the Department wait on granting any permits in Dartmouth Cove until HRM can bring in a bylaw3. The CAO to prepare a staff report with respect to initiating amendments to the Regional Centre Plan and Land-Use By-law to impose restrictions on infilling water lots in Dartmouth Cove like those that exist already in the Northwest Arm.		
Reason: In past discussions and reports to Council, staff have indicated that Transport Canada has concerns around allowing HRM to have control over infilling waterlots in the main Harbour. Recently, the Minister of Transport Canada's office has indicated publicly a willingness to allow HRM to regulate infilling, a message that has been repeated at the local Transport Canada staff level. HRM should accordingly act to restrict infilling in Dartmouth Cove.		
Outcome Sought: Staff recommendation report with planning amendments		
<i>Councillor Sam Austin</i>		<i>District 5</i>