

# HALIFAX REGIONAL COUNCIL ACTION SUMMARY April 10, 2018

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#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

#### 2. SPECIAL COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS & ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Councillors noted a number of special community announcements and acknowledgements.

#### 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - NONE

# 4. APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF BUSINESS AND APPROVAL OF ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS

There were no additions or deletions to the agenda.

- 5. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES NONE
- 6. CALL FOR DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTERESTS NONE
- 7. MOTIONS OF RECONSIDERATION NONE
- 8. MOTIONS OF RESCISSION NONE
- 8.1 Deputy Mayor Mason Motion to Rescind Loading & Staging of Harbour Hopper

Regional Council passed a motion to rescind the March 21, 2017 motion to direct staff to identify options and financial considerations for accommodating the loading and staging of Harbour Hopper vehicles within the public right-of-way for the consideration of Council.

# 9. CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS - December 5, 2017

9.1 Carriage of Two-Wheeled Devices on Halifax Transit Ferries - Supplementary Report

Regional Council passed a motion to prohibit Segways from Halifax Transit ferries.

#### 10. NOTICES OF TABLED MATTERS - NONE

#### 11. PUBLIC HEARING - 6:00 P.M.

11.1 Administrative Order 50 Disposal of Surplus Real Property: Portion of PID 40000069 and PID 40000051 30 Latter Pond Lane, Herring Cove, and Proposed Funding Contribution

Public hearing held and closed. Regional Council passed a motion approving the following staff recommendation.

THAT Halifax Regional Council

- 1. Approve the sale and authorize the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to execute an Agreement of Purchase and Sale with the Herring Cove Community Association as per the terms and conditions set out in Table 1 of the January 26, 2018 report.
- 2. Subject to confirmation from Herring Cove Community Association that the sale is unconditional and is a firm and binding purchase agreement, approve and authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, or designate, to execute a Contribution Agreement, under the terms and conditions contained in this report, as referred to in Table 3 and Attachment 3; and approve and authorize the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to execute an Easement Agreement for shared access and services in substantially the same form as provided in Attachment 4.
- 3. Approve a transfer of \$71,155 from capital account CBX01162 Environmental Remediation and Building Demolition to account M311-8004 Community Grants, and approve a one-time capital grant in the amount of \$71,155 from account M311-8004 Community Grants to the Herring Cove Community Association for the demolition of the former fire station and entrance remediation in accordance with the proposed Contribution Agreement as provided in Attachment 3.
- 4. Approve a transfer of \$225,800 from capital account CPX01328 New Parks and Playgrounds to account M311-8004 Community Grants for the provision of a capital grant to be paid in two (2) installments to the Herring Cove Community Association in accordance with the Contribution Agreement in Attachment 3:
- (a) \$143,000 towards capital repairs, upgrades and fit-up of the Herring Cove community hall annex; and (b) \$82,800 towards construction of a parking lot to be issued within ninety (90) days of receipt of permit approval from HRM Planning and Development.
- 5. Approve the transfer of \$121,365 from capital account CPX01328 New Parks and Playgrounds which represents the balance of Herring Cove Treatment Plant Community Integration Fund to the General Contingency Reserve.
- 6. If the owner's consent is required in support of an application to the Municipality by the Association to develop the Property prior to closing, authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, or designate, to provide such consent on behalf of the Municipality.

### 12. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS

- 12.1 Correspondence None
- 12.2 Petitions None

### 13. INFORMATION ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD - NONE

#### 14. REPORTS

#### 14.1 CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

### 14.1.1 Area Rate for Sheet Harbour Streetscape Program

Regional Council passed a motion to:

- 1. Set three uniform charges per taxable commercial and residential property assessment for the Sheet Harbour Streetscape Program rather than one uniform charge of \$11.84;
- 2. Set the three uniform charges for the 2018-19 fiscal year as follows:
- (a) A uniform charge of \$5.00 to be applied annually to each taxable residential and commercial property assessment located in the community areas of Mooseland, River Lake, Jacket Lake, Third Lake, Spry Harbour, Popes Harbour, East Ship Harbour, Pleasant Harbour, Tangier, Murphy Cove, Lochaber Mines, Moser River, West Quoddy, East Quoddy, Harrigan Cove, Moosehead, Necum Teuch, Ecum Secum West, Ecum Secum, Pace Settlement, Michell Bay and Liscombe Sanctuary, as depicted on the map in Attachment A of the staff report dated March 6, 2018;
- (b) A uniform charge of \$15.00 to be applied annually to each taxable residential and commercial property assessment located in the community areas of Marinette. Malay Falls, Port Dufferin, Beaver Harbour, Sheet Harbour Passage, Sober Island, Mushaboom, Barkhouse Settlement and Spry Bay, as depicted in the map in Attachment A of the staff reported dated March 6. 2018; and
- (c) A uniform charge of \$25.00 to be applied annually to each taxable residential and commercial property located in the community areas of Sheet Harbour and Watt Section as depicted in the map in Attachment A of the staff report dated March 6, 2018; and

3. Approve the 2018-19 Operating Budget for Sheet Harbour Streetscape Program in the amount of \$42,500 with funding to be provided from the three uniform charges.

#### 14.1.2 2018 Spring Debenture

Regional Council passed a motion to authorize the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to sign the Resolution for Pre-Approval of Debenture Issuance, subject to interest rate confirmation not to exceed 4.00%, to enable the Halifax Regional Municipality to issue a 10-year debenture of \$19,567,000.

### 14.1.3 Inclusion of Springfield Lake Recreation Centre in Capital Fund Reserve

Regional Council passed an **amended** motion to make no changes to the Approved Business Case for Obligation Reserve Q526 Capital Fund Reserve as the Springfield Lake Recreation Centre need not be added to the list of facilities in order to access the Capital Reserve Fund; **and to direct staff to add Weir Field to the list of specific projects referenced in Reserve Q526 Business Case.** 

#### 14.2 AUDIT AND FINANCE STANDING COMMITTEE

#### 14.2.1 Write-off of Uncollectible Accounts

Regional Council passed a motion that:

- 1. The real property tax accounts in the amount of \$50,509.48 comprised of \$44,066.09 principal and \$6,443.39 interest as summarized in Schedule 1 be formally written out of the books of account:
- 2. The general revenue accounts in the amount of \$45,756.75 comprised of \$34,773.57 principal and \$10,983.18 interest as summarized in Schedule 1 be formally written out of the books of account;
- 3. The recreation accounts in the amount of \$13,361.13 comprised of \$13,361.13 principal and \$0.00 interest as summarized in Schedule 1 be formally written out the books of account; and
- 4. The library accounts in the amount of \$5,292.51 comprised of \$5,292.51 principal and \$0.00 interest as summarized in Schedule 1 be formally written out of the books of account.

# 14.2.2 Administrative Order 50 Disposal of Surplus Real Property - PID 00076471 1588 Barrington Street, Halifax

Regional Council passed a motion to set a date for a public hearing to consider the sale of 1588 Barrington Street, Halifax, to the 1588 Barrington Building Preservation Society for the proposed less than market value price of \$1.00 as per the proposed terms and conditions set out in the Discussion section of the February 2, 2018 staff report and a Buy-Back Agreement included as Attachment 1 of the February 2, 2018 staff report.

Public Hearing has been scheduled for May 22, 2018.

### 14.2.3 Payments for Halifax Convention Centre & Reserve Update

Regional Council approved:

- 1. A payment of \$301,500 in respect of costs incurred for Halifax Convention Centre for the period 2016-17;
- 2. Subject to confirmation of the final 2017-18 year end, payment of up to 50% of Halifax Convention Centre costs incurred prior to substantial completion of the facility from the 2017-18 projected surplus; and, 3. That staff return with additional updates and recommendations on the Halifax Convention Centre including an updated Business Case for the Halifax Convention Centre Reserve that included Deed Transfer Taxes related to the Nova Centre.

### 14.3 TRANSPORTATION STANDING COMMITTEE

14.3.1 Restriction of Motorized Access on Proposed Active Transportation Greenway

Regional Council approved a motion to direct staff to continue to pursue the Active Transportation Plan and Integrated Mobility Plan objective to develop a new segment of the active transportation network on the Gaetz Brook corridor with the understanding that the Provincial Government will make the decision on whether or not this segment is motorized or unmotorized.

#### 14.3.2 Participation of the Chain of Lakes Trail on the Rum Runners Trail

Regional Council approved the participation of the Chain of Lakes Trail as part of the Rum Runners Trail, subject to the conditions of participation described in the Discussion section of the staff report dated February 8, 2018.

#### 14.3.3 Impacts of Expanding the Low-Income Transit Passes

Regional Council passed a motion approving the following:

- 1. Increase the number of places available in the Low Income Transit Pass program to 2,000 for the 2019/20 program year (starting July 2019);
- 2. Monitor program uptake to understand the impact the new partnership with the Department of Community Services may have on demand for the Low Income Transit Pass Program;
- 3. Revise the eligibility criteria to accept a letter from social workers or ISANS in lieu of a Notice of Assessment or Option C as proof of qualification from the Low Income Transit Pass Program
- 4. Include Low Income Transit Pass Program wait-list data as one of the key performance indicators reported to Transportation Standing Committee by Transit.

## 14.3.4 HRM Traffic Management and Safety Policy Book

Regional Council approved the following motion:

- 1. Direct staff to amend the Traffic Control Practises & Warrants document as appropriate to remain consistent with the principals of the Integrated Mobility Plan and to support the Complete Streets policy and revisions to the Municipal Design Guidelines (Red Book) and;
- 2. That staff prepare bi-annual reports for the Transportation Standing Committee respecting updates or amendments to the Traffic Control Practises and Warrants document.

#### 14.4 HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

# 14.4.1 Case H00457: Barrington Street Heritage Conservation District Financial Incentives Program Closing

Regional Council passed a motion to:

- 1. Approve a deadline of December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2018, for the completion of all eligible work and a deadline of March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2019, to receive all invoices, agreements, and other supporting documentation for outstanding applications of the Barrington Street Heritage Conservation District Financial Incentives Program, excluding Keith Building (1581 Barrington Street) and NFB Building (1572 Barrington Street) applications;
- 2. Approve a deadline of December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2019, for the completion of all eligible work and a deadline of March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2020, to receive all invoices, agreements, and other supporting documentation for the Keith Building (1581 Barrington Street) and NFB Building (1572 Barrington Street) applications of the Barrington Street Heritage Conservation District Financial Incentives Program.

# 14.5 MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

### 14.5.1 Councillor Hendsbee - Purchase of Civic Address Signs through District Capital Funding

Regional Council passed a motion approving funding in the amount of \$1,135.39 from the District 2 District Capital Fund for the purchase of civic signs for the Lawrencetown Beach Volunteer Fire Department.

#### 15. MOTIONS

## 16. IN CAMERA (IN PRIVATE)

Council convened in camera (in private) and ratified the motions as follows:

#### 16.1 Personnel Matter

### 16.1.1 Board of Police Commissioners Appointment - Private and Confidential Report

Regional Council approved the following motion:

- 1. Approve the appointment to the Board of Police Commissioners as set out in the Discussion Section of the March 27, 2018 private and confidential report from the Executive Standing Committee.
- 2. It is further recommended that the Citizen Appointments be released to the public following ratification and notification of the successful candidate.

# 16.1.2 Appointments to the Western Common Advisory Committee – *Private and Confidential Report*

Regional Council approved the following motion:

- 1. Approve the appointments to the Western Commons Advisory Committee as set out in the Discussion Section of the March 23, 2018 private and confidential report from the Halifax and West Community Council.
- 2. It is further recommended that the Citizen Appointments be released to the public following ratification and notification of the successful candidate.

### **16.2 Property Matter**

# 16.2.1 Land Requirements – Hartlen Street Connector Land Assembly – *Private and Confidential Report*

Regional Council approved the following motion:

- 1. Resume negotiations as described in the Discussion Section of the private and confidential staff report dated February 1, 2018;
- 2. Approve the purchase price as described in the Financial Implications Section of the private and confidential staff report dated February 1, 2018;
- 3. Authorize funding as per the Financial Implications Section of the private and confidential staff report dated February 1, 2018; and
- 4. That the private and confidential staff report dated February 1, 2018 not be released to the public.

### 16.2.2 Property Disposal - PID 00009316 - Lot 2A, Chebucto Rd - Private and Confidential Report

Regional Council approved the following motion:

- 1. Authorize the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to enter an Agreement of Purchase and Sale for the disposal of PID 00009316 Lot 2A, Chebucto Road, Halifax, as per the terms and conditions outlined in Table 1 of the private and confidential staff report dated March 7, 2018; and
- 2. That the private and confidential staff report dated March 7, 2018 not be released until the transaction has closed

# 16.2.3 Industrial Lot Inventory Buy Back Agreement – Private and Confidential Report

Regional Council approved the following motion:

- 1. Approve the amended terms to the current Buy-Back Agreement, as provided for in Table 1 of the private and confidential staff report dated March 8, 2018; and
- 2. It is further recommended that this report not be released to the public.

## 16.3 Intergovernmental Relations

### 16.3.1 HRM's Smart Cities Challenge - Private and Confidential Report

Regional Council approved the following motion:

- 1. Direct the CAO to submit the Municipality's application to the Smart Cities Challenge, \$50 million prize category, such application to be in accordance with the discussion section of the private and confidential staff report dated March 28, 2018 and the associated presentation; and;
- 2. Authorize the Mayor to draft and execute a letter of support for the application on behalf of Regional Council; and.
- 3. Release this report and related presentation to the public on April 25, 2018, the day after the Smart Cities Challenge application deadline.

#### 17. ADDED ITEMS - NONE

### 18. NOTICES OF MOTION

#### 18.1 Deputy Mayor Mason

"TAKE NOTICE that, at the next meeting of Halifax Regional Council to be held on April 24, 2018, I propose to move First Reading of proposed By-law E-205, an amendment to By-law E-200, Respecting Encroachments Upon, Under, or Over A Street, the purpose of which is to change the approval process for certain encroachments which will allow staff to issue encroachment licenses without Council authorization, as well as housekeeping amendments."

### 18.2 Councillor Hendsbee

"TAKE NOTICE that, at the next meeting of Halifax Regional Council to be held on April 24, 2018, I intend to introduce proposed Administrative Order 2018-010-ADM, Respecting Interim Grants to Community Museums, the purpose of which is to provide grants to eligible community museums located within the geographic boundary of the Halifax Regional Municipality to support core museum operations and build organizational capacity in achieving and maintaining accepted standards of practice."

### **19. ADJOURNMENT** – *6:20 p.m.*