

# HALIFAX REGIONAL COUNCIL ACTION SUMMARY

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#### November 12, 2019

**1. CALL TO ORDER** – 1:00 p.m.

#### 2. SPECIAL COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS & ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Councillors noted a number of special community announcements and acknowledgements.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - October 8, 2019

Approved as presented. These can be viewed online at <a href="https://www.halifax.ca/city-hall/agendas-meetings-reports">https://www.halifax.ca/city-hall/agendas-meetings-reports</a>

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

#### Additions:

18.1 Councillor Blackburn - United Nations Climate Change Conference in Madrid, Spain

Information Item 9 – Memorandum from the Chair of the Environment and Sustainability Standing Committee dated November 8, 2019 re: Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR)

#### Information Items:

Council agreed to bring forward the following Information Items for discussion at the upcoming Regional Council meeting scheduled for November 26, 2019:

- Information Item No. 4 Memorandum from the Director of Corporate and Customer Services dated September 16, 2019 re: Joint Project for Regulatory Modernization – Phase II Update
- Information Item No. 6 Memorandum from the Chair of Transportation Standing Committee dated October 29, 2019 re: 2019/20 First Quarter Halifax Transit Key Performance Indicator Report
- Information Item No. 8 Memorandum from the Director of Parks and Recreation dated October 30, 2019 re: Halifax Forum Bingo
- Information Item No. 9 Memorandum from the Chair of the Environment and Sustainability Standing Committee dated November 8, 2019 re: Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR)

Order of Business approved as amended.

#### 5. CONSENT AGENDA

Council agreed to remove item 15.2.1 from the consent agenda.

Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council approve agenda items 15.4.2 and 15.5.1.

- 6. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES NONE
- 7. CALL FOR DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTERESTS NONE
- 8. MOTIONS OF RECONSIDERATION NONE
- 9. MOTIONS OF RESCISSION NONE

#### 10. CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS

10.1 Port Wallace Secondary Planning Process and Environmental Investigation Near Barry's Run

Motion approved as **amended** that Halifax Regional Council direct the Chief Administrative Officer to:

1. Direct staff to proceed with the Port Wallace Secondary Planning work plan, as outlined in the Discussion section of the staff report dated October 15, 2019, and return to Council for direction on the secondary planning process after Nova Scotia Land Inc. completes the risk assessment and management plan for the former Montague Gold Mines site, including the Municipally-owned lands surrounding Barry's Run and any other third-party impacted lands located within the secondary planning study area.

2. Initiate a process to consider amendments to applicable secondary municipal planning strategies and land use by-laws to enable industrial and highway commercial development on the Conrad Quarry lands, consistent with the policy direction outlined within the Discussion section of the staff report dated October 15, 2019 and follow the public participation program for municipal planning strategy amendments as approved by Regional Council on February 27, 1997.

3. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to monitor progress with the Province on the determination of the risk assessment and management plan for the Municipally-owned land surrounding Barry's Run and any other third-party impacted lands located within the Port Wallace Secondary Plan study area and report back to Council with an update within the next six months.

# 10.2 Case H00468 – Request to Include 26 Elliot Street, Dartmouth in the Registry of Heritage Property for the Halifax Regional Municipality - Supplementary Report

Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council set a date for a heritage hearing to consider the inclusion of 26 Elliot Street, Dartmouth as shown on Map 1 of the staff report dated June 26, 2019, in the Registry of Heritage Property for the Halifax Regional Municipality.

Heritage hearing scheduled for January 28, 2020 at 1:00 p.m.

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

#### 12. PUBLIC HEARINGS - NONE

#### 13. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS

### 13.1 Correspondence - None

No correspondence was received by the Municipal Clerk's Office for items on the November 12, 2019 agenda.

#### 13.2 Petitions

### 13.2.1 Councillor Cleary

Councillor Cleary submitted a petition from Mervin Ferguson and Rob Hanscomb containing 130 signatures, objecting to a proposed development of an apartment building at 7037 Mumford Road.

#### 14. INFORMATION ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD - NONE

#### 15. REPORTS

#### 15.1 CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

15.1.1 Proposed Administrative Order SC-91, Respecting Street Closure Parcel B – Portion of Majestic Avenue, Beaver Bank and Proposed Administrative Order SC-92, Respecting Street Closure Parcel A – Portion of Monarch Drive, Beaver Bank – Declaration of Surplus and Partial Street Closures

Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council:

1. Declare the portion of the Majestic Avenue and Monarch Drive street right of way shown as 'Parcel A' and 'Parcel B' in Attachment 'B' of the staff report dated September 6, 2019, surplus to municipal requirements and be categorized as 'Extraordinary', as per Administrative Order 50; and 2. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to set a date for the public hearing to consider closing those portions of Majestic Avenue and Monarch Drive street right of way shown in Attachment 'B' of the staff report dated September 6, 2019 as 'Parcel A' and 'Parcel B' with notice to be published in a newspaper at least fourteen days prior to the Regional Council meeting.

Public hearing scheduled for December 3, 2019.

### 15.1.2 Discovery Centre Contribution Agreement Renewal

Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to execute a fiveyear Contribution Agreement with the Discovery Centre substantially in accordance with the draft agreement attached to the staff report dated October 24, 2019, with annual funding of \$145,000.

# 15.1.3 Cases 20476 and 22267 - Requests to amend the Bedford Secondary Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use By-law to enable mixed residential/commercial development near Dartmouth Road and Wardour Street, Bedford

Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council direct the Chief Administrative Officer to:

- 1. Initiate a process to consider amendments to the Bedford Secondary Municipal Planning Strategy and the Land Use By-law for Bedford, to enable low-to-mid-rise, mixed use, multi-unit residential/commercial development on Dartmouth Road and Wardour Street in the Study Area shown in Attachment C of the staff report dated October 1, 2019, subject to development providing acceptable transitions to nearby properties and being pedestrian supportive, transit oriented and context sensitive; and
- 2. Follow the public participation program for municipal planning strategy amendments as approved by Regional Council on February 27, 1997.

# 15.1.4 Case 22332 - Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use By-law amendment request for 210 and 214 Willett Street, Halifax

Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council direct the Chief Administrative Officer to:

- 1. Initiate a process to consider amendments to the Municipal Planning Strategy for Halifax and the Land-Use By-law for Halifax Mainland to modify zoning requirements for R-4 (Multiple Dwelling) zoned properties near Dunbrack Street and Willett Street, Halifax; and
- 2. Request staff to follow the public participation program as adopted by Council on February 27, 1997.

#### 15.2 BUDGET STANDING COMMITTEE

#### 15.2.1 2017-2021 Multi-year Priority Outcomes Update

Motion approved as **amended** that Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Adopt the 2020/21 Priority Outcomes as set out in the revised Attachment A of the staff report dated October 11, 2019.
- 2. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to proceed to prepare the 2020/21 Budget and Business Plan in support of Council's Priority Outcomes and consistent with the Outcome Plans as presented in Attachment C of the staff report dated October 11, 2019.
- 3. Amend Attachment A under Transportation 2020/21 Priority Outcome, Interconnected, Sustainable and Strategic Growth node, to include the words "efficient" and "on time" before the word "transit" to read as follows: "We have an integrated mobility strategy that supports growth, development and the transportation of goods and people of all ages and abilities, using all modes including walking, cycling, efficient on time transit, and motor vehicles, consistent with the Regional Plan."

#### 15.3 EXECUTIVE STANDING COMMITTEE

15.3.1 Proposed Amendments to Administrative Order One, the Procedures of the Council Administrative Order - Recorded Votes at Committee of the Whole and Budget Committee Meetings

Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council adopt the amendments to Administrative Order One, the Procedures of Council Administrative Order, as set out in Attachment 2 of the staff report dated October 17, 2019, to enable recorded votes at Committee of the Whole, and the Committee of the Whole on Budget meetings.

#### 15.4 NORTH WEST COMMUNITY COUNCIL

15.4.1 Case 17272 - Amendments to the Bedford Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use By-law for Cushing Hill (Commercial Comprehensive Development District area and adjacent lands), Bedford

Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council give First Reading to consider the proposed amendments to the Municipal Planning Strategy (MPS) and Land Use By-law for Bedford, as set out in Attachments A and B of the staff report dated October 2, 2019, to create new MPS policies and zoning for the Cushing Hill CCDD (Commercial Comprehensive Development District) area, Bedford and schedule a public hearing.

#### 15.4.2 Councillor Appointments to the North West Planning Advisory Committee

This matter was approved as part of the Consent Agenda.

Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council appoint Councillor Blackburn and Councillor Outhit to the North West Planning Advisory Committee for a term to November 30, 2020.

#### 15.5 HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

#### 15.5.1 Potential Additions to the Registry of Heritage Property for HRM

This matter was approved as part of the Consent Agenda.

Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council request a staff report examining the potential for including 5925 Spring Garden Road, 1538 Carlton Street and 1540 Carlton Street by Camp Hill Cemetery in the Registry of Heritage Property for the Halifax Regional Municipality.

#### 15.6 MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

#### 15.6.1 Councillor Walker – Federation of Canadian Municipalities Annual Conference 2024

Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council submit a request to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) for the Halifax Regional Municipality to host the annual conference in 2024.

#### 15.6.2 Deputy Mayor Mancini - Bill 152 Plastic Bags Reduction Act

Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council request that Mayor Mike Savage write a letter on behalf of Regional Council to Premier Stephen McNeil and Minister of Environment Honourable Gordon Wilson thanking them for their leadership in introducing the Plastic Bags Reduction Act – Bill 152; and to reenforce the municipality's support for Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR).

# 15.6.3 Deputy Mayor Mancini – Federation of Canadian Municipalities Extended Producer Resolution

Motion approved as **amended** that Halifax Regional Council endorse the proposal of the following resolution to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities **and forward the resolution to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities**:

WHEREAS, the Canadian Council of Ministers of the Environment (CCME) adopted the Canada-wide Action Plan for Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) in 2009, and yet EPR programs are not in place in all provinces and existing programs lack harmonization and consistency;

WHEREAS, EPR shifts the responsibility for managing PPP at end-of-life away from the taxpayer and empowers producers to drive innovation, product harmonization, and enhanced product recyclability; WHEREAS, while FCM has passed five resolutions on the subject of plastic pollution of which two refer to Producer Responsibility for plastics specifically, there is currently no official FCM policy relating directly to harmonization of EPR for Packaging and Paper Products (PPP);

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Federation of Canadian Municipalities further call on the Government of Canada to seek progress reports from provinces towards implementation of EPR and further create a harmonized regulatory framework for EPR across Canada including all packaging and paper products (PPP), in cooperation with all orders of government, industry and affected stakeholders, allowing for regional considerations and respect for Provincial authority.

#### 15.7 ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY STANDING COMMITTEE

## 15.7.1 Appointments – National Zero Waste Council and Halifax Regional Water Commission

Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Appoint Councillor Hendsbee of the Environment and Sustainability Standing Committee to the Halifax Regional Water Commission for a term to November 30, 2020; and
- 2. Appoint Councillor Zurawski to the National Zero Waste Council for a term to November 30, 2020, and appoint the Manager of Solid Waste as an alternative.

#### **16. MOTIONS**

#### 16.1 Deputy Mayor Mancini

Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council request a staff recommendation report to Regional Council regarding legislative options for houseboats and docked structures to regulate both land use and building standards to ensure fair and safe use of these buildings.

### 17. IN CAMERA (IN PRIVATE)

Council may rise and go into a private In Camera session, in accordance with Section 19 of the Halifax Regional Municipality Charter, for the purpose of dealing with the following:

#### 17.1 In Camera (In Private) Minutes - October 8, 2019

This matter was dealt with in public.

Motion approved that the In Camera (In Private) minutes of October 8, 2019 be approved as circulated.

#### 17.2 Property Matter - Private and Confidential Report

This matter was dealt with In Camera (In Private) and ratified as follows:

Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Adopt the recommendations as outlined in the private and confidential staff report dated September 25, 2019;
- 2. Not release the private and confidential staff report dated September 25, 2019 to the public.

#### 17.3 Personnel Matter - Private and Confidential Report

This matter was dealt with in public.

Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Adopt the recommendations as outlined in the private and confidential staff report dated October 31, 2019 and release the identity of the appointee to the public following ratification and notification of the successful candidate; and
- 2. Not release the private and confidential report dated October 31, 2019 to the public.

#### 18. ADDED ITEMS

#### 18.1 Councillor Blackburn - United Nations Climate Change Conference in Madrid, Spain

Motion approved that Halifax Regional Council approve that Councillor Zurawski travel to Madrid, Spain to attend the United Nations Climate Change Conference from December 2-13, 2019 on behalf of the Halifax Regional Municipality.

#### 19. NOTICES OF MOTION

#### 19.1 Deputy Mayor Mancini

"TAKE NOTE that, at the next meeting of Halifax Regional Council to be held on November 26, 2019, I intend to move that Council rescind its motion of January 15, 2019 directing staff to, among other things, collaborate with the ten largest Nova Scotia municipalities to develop a by-law to eliminate the distribution of single-use plastic bags."

#### 19.2 Councillor Blackburn

"TAKE NOTICE that, at the next meeting of Halifax Regional Council to be held on November 26, 2019, I propose to move First Reading of proposed By-law S-448, amending By-law S-400, Respecting Charges for Street Improvements, the purpose of which is to implement local improvement charges to recover the property owner's share of the cost of paving HRM owned and maintained gravel roads for paving of Silver Court, Chalamont Drive, Northwood Road, Gardeners Walk, Old Annapolis Road, Carrie Crescent, and Raines Mills Road."

#### **19.3 Councillor Austin**

"TAKE NOTICE that, at the next meeting of Halifax Regional Council to be held on November 26, 2019 I propose to:

- 1. Introduce Administrative Order 2019-011-GOV, the Design Advisory Committee Administrative Order, the purpose of which is to create the Design Advisory Committee; and
- 2. Move amendments to Administrative Order 48, Respecting the Creation of Community Councils, the purpose of which is to create the Regional Centre Community Council."

#### 19.4 Councillor Hendsbee

"TAKE NOTICE that, at the next meeting of Halifax Regional Council to be held on November 26, 2019, I propose to move amendments to Administrative Order 29, Respecting Civic Addressing Policies, the purpose of which is to approve the renaming of William Allan Drive, Harrigan Cove to Charlie Shiers Lane, Harrigan Cove."

### **20. ADJOURNMENT** – 4:05 p.m.

# INFORMATION ITEMS November 12, 2019

- 1. Proclamation World Pancreatic Cancer Day November 21st, 2019
- 2. Memorandum from the Chair of Audit and Finance Standing Committee dated October 24, 2019 re: Investment Activities Quarter Ending June 30, 2019
- 3. Memorandum from the Chair of Audit and Finance Standing Committee dated October 24, 2019 re: First Quarter 2019/20 Financial Report
- 4. Memorandum from the Director of Corporate and Customer Services dated September 16, 2019 re: Joint Project for Regulatory Modernization Phase II Update
- 5. Memorandum from the CFO/Director of Finance, Asset Management and ICT dated October 22, 2019 re: Minimum Reserve Bid Tax Sale September 24, 2019
- 6. Memorandum from the Chair of Transportation Standing Committee dated October 29, 2019 re: 2019/20 First Quarter Halifax Transit Key Performance Indicator Report
- 7. Memorandum from the Municipal Clerk dated November 4, 2019 re: Requests for Presentation to Council None
- 8. Memorandum from the Director of Parks and Recreation dated October 30, 2019 re: Halifax Forum Bingo
- 9. Memorandum from the Chair of the Environment and Sustainability Standing Committee dated November 8, 2019 re: Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR)