



**TRANSPORTATION STANDING COMMITTEE
SPECIAL MEETING
April 15, 2021**

PRESENT: Councillor Waye Mason, Chair
Councillor Becky Kent, Vice-Chair
Councillor Tony Mancini
Councillor Iona Stoddard
Councillor Paul Russell
Deputy Mayor Tim Outhit

STAFF: Brad Anguish, Executive Director, Transportation & Public Works
Dave Reage, Executive Director, Halifax Transit
Kelly Denty, Executive Director, Planning & Development
Taylor Collin, Municipal Solicitor
Andrea Lovasi-Wood, Legislative Assistant
Jill McGillicuddy, Legislative Assistant

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The meeting was called to order at 1:04 p.m. and adjourned at 3:08 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order at 1:04 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – March 25, 2021

MOVED by Councillor Stoddard, seconded by Councillor Russell

THAT the minutes of March 25, 2021 be approved as circulated.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

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

Additions: None

Deletions - None

MOVED by Councillor Russell, seconded by Councillor Kent

THAT the agenda be approved as presented

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

4. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES – NONE

5. CALL FOR DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTERESTS – NONE

6. MOTIONS OF RECONSIDERATION – NONE

7. MOTIONS OF RESCISSION – NONE

8. CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS

8.1 Presentation Regarding Potential Amendments to Traffic Calming Administrative Order

The following was before the Standing Committee:

- A staff presentation dated April 15, 2021

Brad Anguish, Executive Director, Transportation & Public Works outlined that the purpose of the presentation was to gather feedback from the Transportation Standing Committee prior to amending and/or replacing the existing Traffic Calming Administrative Order. The purpose of the new Administrative Order is to provide the most significant impact on traffic calming measures within the approved budget.

Jody DeBaie, Transportation and Road Safety Engineer, Traffic Management and Taso Koutroulakis, Manager Traffic Management, answered Standing Committee questions and provided further information. They advised Standing Committee members there would be a neighbourhood approach to traffic calming measures, the scoring system will be based on pedestrian movement, there is ongoing coordination with Planning and Development regarding the adoption of new Red Book (Cross Section Design Manual) requirements, and the existing streets on the list for review will be reviewed in accordance with the new Administrative Order. The intent is to have a draft Administrative Order prepared by Fall 2021.

MOVED by Councillor Russell, seconded by Deputy Mayor Outhit

THAT the Transportation Standing Committee be extended beyond 3:00 p.m.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

8.2 Pedestrian Infrastructure Highway 101 Exit 2

The following was before the Standing Committee

- A staff recommendation report dated March 22, 2021
- A staff presentation dated April 15, 2021

MOVED by Councillor Russell, Seconded by Deputy Mayor Outhit

THAT the Transportation Committee recommend that Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to conduct functional planning in 2022/23 (pursuant to funding approval in the 2022/23 capital budget) to establish the feasibility of a formal pedestrian crossing from Sackville Manor across Highway 101 based on the considerations outlined in the Discussion section of the staff report dated March 22, 2021; and,**
- 2. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to initiate conversation with NSTIR to request that they install measures (e.g. jersey barriers, fencing) to serve as a deterrent to pedestrian crossing between Sackville Manor and Old Sackville Road as an interim measure.**

Siobhan Witherbee, Active Transportation Planner, Transportation and Public Works, provided an overview regarding the proposed construction of pedestrian infrastructure at Highway 101 Exit 2.

Witherbee and Philip Nickerson, Design Engineer, Transportation and Public Works, responded to Standing Committee questions.

Councillor Russell requested that part 2 of the motion be amended to read “consider installing” measures.

As set out in Section 53 (2) of *Administrative Order One, Respecting the Procedures of the Council*, this change to the motion was accepted as friendly.

The motion before Council now reads:

Moved by Councillor Russell, seconded by Deputy Mayor Outhit

THAT the Transportation Committee recommend that Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to conduct functional planning in 2022/23 (pursuant to funding approval in the 2022/23 capital budget) to establish the feasibility of a formal pedestrian crossing from Sackville Manor across Highway 101 based on the considerations outlined in the Discussion section of the staff report dated March 22, 2021; and**
- 2. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to initiate conversation with NSTIR to request that they consider installing measures (e.g. jersey barriers, fencing) to serve as a deterrent to pedestrian crossing between Sackville Manor and Old Sackville Road as an interim measure.**

MOTION AS AMENDED PUT AND PASSED.

9. NOTICES OF TABLED MATTERS – NONE

10. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS

10.1 Correspondence

Andrea Lovasi-Wood, Legislative Assistant, noted that general correspondence was received from Bill Campbell, Milena Khazanavicius and Alex Hosein. This correspondence was circulated to Council.

10.2 Petitions – NONE

10.3 Presentations – NONE

11. INFORMATION ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD – NONE

12. REPORTS

12.1 STAFF – NONE

12.2 ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE – NONE

12.3 MEMBERS OF THE TRANSPORTATION STANDING COMMITTEE – NONE

13. MOTIONS – NONE

14. IN CAMERA (IN PRIVATE) – NONE

15. ADDED ITEMS

16. NOTICES OF MOTION

17. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – NONE

18. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – April 29, 2021

19. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 3:08 p.m.

Jill McGillicuddy
Legislative Assistant