



**HALIFAX REGIONAL COUNCIL  
MINUTES  
January 30, 2018**

PRESENT: Mayor Mike Savage  
Deputy Mayor Wayne Mason  
Councillors: Steve Streach  
David Hendsbee  
Bill Karsten  
Lorelei Nicoll  
Sam Austin  
Tony Mancini  
Shawn Cleary  
Russell Walker  
Stephen Adams  
Richard Zurawski  
Matt Whitman  
Lisa Blackburn  
Steve Craig  
Tim Outhit

REGRETS: Councillor: Lindell Smith

STAFF: Jacques Dubé, Chief Administrative Officer  
John Traves, Municipal Solicitor  
Kevin Arjoon, Municipal Clerk  
Krista Vining, Legislative Assistant  
Liam MacSween, Legislative Assistant

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*The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m., and recessed at 2:34 p.m.  
Council reconvened in at 2:51 p.m., and adjourned at 4:59 p.m.*

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. and Council stood for a moment of reflection.

**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**

Addition:

17.1 Commemoration of Edward Cornwallis

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Mason, seconded by Councillor Craig

**THAT added Item 17.1 Commemoration of Edward Cornwallis be dealt with as the first order of business.**

Two-third majority vote required.

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Mason, seconded by Councillor Nicoll

**THAT the agenda be approved as amended.**

Two-third majority vote required.

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

Later in the meeting, Deputy Mayor Mason, on behalf of Councillor Smith, asked that Information Item 6 Memorandum from the Chief Administrative Officer dated January 16, 2018 re: Bloomfield Property Process update, be added to the February 13, 2018 Council agenda for discussion.

**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**

**9. CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS – December 12, 2017 and January 16, 2018**

**9.1 Administrative Order 50 Disposal of Surplus Property - Community Interest PID 00076471 1588 Barrington Street, Halifax**

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated November 20, 2017
- An extract of Regional Council December 12, 2017 minutes
- Correspondence from Emily Davidson

MOVED by Councillor Walker, seconded by Councillor Zurawski

**THAT Halifax Regional Council:**

**1. Request that the 1588 Barrington Building Preservation Society (“the Society”) provide the following information to the Municipality by October 31, 2018:**

- (a) Confirmation that a shared fire evacuation exit is permitted;**
- (b) An updated five-year projected operating and capital budget, including
  - (i) confirmation of any funding from the Federal and Provincial governments;**
  - (ii) the fundraising that has occurred indicating the pledges and any amounts received; and**
  - (iii) commitments to lease commercial and subsidized space within 1588 Barrington Street, Halifax, PID 00076471 (“the Property”);****
- (c) Confirmation of eligibility with respect to any future Federal or Provincial operating funding not included in the five-year operating and capital budget and applicable timelines;**
- (d) Copies of the applications that were filed with the Federal and Provincial governments for project-specific capital funding, including anticipated notification timelines; and**
- (e) A fundraising plan and progress report; and**

**2. Upon receiving the information in item 1, direct staff to review the information that was received from the Society and prepare a report and recommendation whether to proceed with the sale and a public hearing in respect to a proposed sale and return to Council for its consideration of that report.**

**3. If the owner’s consent is required for the Society to apply or receive approvals to develop the Property, authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, or designate, to provide such consent on behalf of the Municipality.**

Deputy Mayor Mason asked Council to defeat the motion, noting that they were prepared to move the second alternative as outlined in the November 20, 2017 staff report. The Deputy Mayor explained that the alternative still allows Council to move forward with an agreement of purchase and sale for the Property.

Council discussed the motion with staff responding to questions.

**MOTION PUT AND DEFEATED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Not present: Councillor Smith

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Mason, seconded by Councillor Hendsbee

**THAT Halifax Regional Council consider the sale for 1588 Barrington Street for \$1.00 to the 1588 Barrington Street Building Preservation Society, and direct staff to prepare a supplementary report respecting:**

- (a) the financial implications of the sale, including the requested grants;**
- (b) proposed terms and conditions for the sale of the Property to the Society, and to return to Council for a determination whether to proceed with the sale of the Property; and**
- (c) with the sale to include the standard buy back agreement.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED.** (15 in favour, 1 against)

In favour: Mayor Savage, Deputy Mayor Mason, Councillors Streach, Hendsbee, Karsten, Nicoll, Austin, Mancini, Cleary, Walker, Adams, Zurawski, Blackburn, Craig and Outhit

Against: Councillor Whitman

Not present: Councillor Smith

**9.2 TRANSPORTATION STANDING COMMITTEE**

### **9.2.1 Protected Bicycle Lane – Hollis Street**

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated December 8, 2017

MOVED by Councillor Outhit, seconded by Councillor Blackburn

**THAT Halifax Regional Council direct staff to continue to plan the development of a permanent “all ages and abilities” on-road bicycle lane running north-south through downtown Halifax and return to Transportation Standing Committee and Regional Council in 2018 with a recommended option for implementation in 2019.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Not present: Councillor Smith

## **9.3 COMMUNITY PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STANDING COMMITTEE**

### **9.3.1 Support for the Institution of a Basic Income for Nova Scotia**

The following was before Council:

- A staff submitted by the Chair of the Community Planning and Economic Development Standing Committee dated December 4, 2017 with attached staff report dated September 27, 2017

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Mason, seconded by Councillor Craig

**THAT Halifax Regional Council direct the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) to direct staff to:**

- 1. Monitor the progress of federal and provincial poverty reduction action plans and strategies with a view to identifying opportunities for HRM to engage within its mandate;**
- 2. Monitor the basic income projects underway in Ontario and Finland;**
- 3. Report back periodically to Community Planning and Economic Development Standing Committee (CPED) and Regional Council on the monitoring; and**
- 4. Forward the staff report dated September 27, 2017 to the HRM/United Way Poverty Solutions Advisory Committee for consideration in future reporting.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Not present: Councillors Smith and Outhit

## **10. NOTICES OF TABLED MATTERS – NONE**

### **11. PUBLIC HEARINGS – NONE**

## **12. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS**

### **12.1 Correspondence**

The Clerk noted that correspondence was received for items 9.1, 17.1 and Information Item 6. This correspondence was circulated to Council.

For a detailed list of correspondence received refer to the specific agenda item.

### **12.2 Petitions – None**

## **13. INFORMATION ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD – NONE**

## 14. REPORTS

### 14.1 CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

#### 14.1.1 Proposed Amendments to Administrative Order 29, Respecting HRM Civic Addressing Policies – Case CA0117 – Street Naming from October 1, 2017 – October 31, 2017

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated November 24, 2017

MOVED by Councillor Mancini, seconded by Councillor Nicoll

**THAT Halifax Regional Council adopt the proposed amendments to Administrative Order 29 Respecting HRM Civic Addressing Policies as set out in Attachment A of the staff report dated November 24, 2017 in order to approve:**

1. The naming of one new private lane as identified in Attachment A and Map 1 of the staff report dated November 24, 2017; and
2. The naming of two public streets as identified in Attachment A and Maps 2 and 3 of the staff report dated November 24, 2017; and
3. The renaming of Craighburn Court to Lochburn Lane, Dartmouth as identified in Attachment A and Map 4 of the staff report dated November 24, 2017; and
4. The modification to the spelling of Cathdral Lane to Cathedral Lane, Halifax as identified in Attachment A of the staff report dated November 24, 2017.

During the discussion, Mayor Savage stepped down as Chair and Deputy Mayor Mason assumed the Chair.

#### **MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Not present: Mayor Savage and Councillor Smith

#### 14.1.2 Proposed Amendments to Administrative Order 45, Respecting Private Road Maintenance – Road Maintenance Fee for Kelly Point Lot Owners Association

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated November 20, 2017

MOVED by Councillor Adams, seconded by Councillor Zurawski

**THAT Halifax Regional Council:**

1. Approve an annual uniform charge of no more than \$700.00 per property, to be applied against properties abutting Barachois Lake Road, Kelly Point Drive, Bayview Crescent, Murphy Cove Drive, Noonan Drive and Maroon Drive, as depicted in the map shown in Appendix A of the staff report dated November 20, 2017, effective with the 2018-19 fiscal year for funding the road maintenance activities of the Kelly Point Lot Owners Association.
2. Adopt amending Administrative Order 45, Respecting Private Road Maintenance, by adding Schedule 15, respecting a Uniform Charge for the Kelly Point Lot Owners Association, attached hereto as Appendix B of the staff report dated November 20, 2017.

Subject to the approval of Schedule 15 of Administrative Order 45, authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign on behalf of HRM, an Agreement between HRM and the Association in the form approved by Regional Council on February 11, 2014.

#### **MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Not present: Mayor Savage and Councillor Smith

**14.1.3 Proposed Amendments to Administrative Order 45, Respecting Private Road Maintenance – Road Maintenance Fee for Shag End Lot Owners Association**

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated November 29, 2017

MOVED by Councillor Adams, seconded by Councillor Whitman

**THAT Halifax Regional Council approve amending Schedule 3 of Administrative Order 45, Respecting Private Road Maintenance, by replacing the flat area rate of no more than \$600.00 annually with a flat area rate of no more than \$900.00 annually, and by replacing the map of the Shag End Lot Owner’s Association catchment area with a new map dated November 29, 2017 (Appendix C of the staff report dated November 29, 2017).**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Not present: Mayor Savage and Councillor Smith

**14.1.4 Allocation of Anti-Poverty Funds to United Way**

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated October 11, 2017

MOVED by Councillor Karsten, seconded by Councillor Streach

**THAT Halifax Regional Council:**

- a. direct the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) to negotiate a contribution agreement with United Way in the amount of \$50,000, based on the key terms set out in Table 1 of the staff report dated October 11, 2017;**
- b. authorize and direct the Mayor and Clerk to enter into and execute the resulting agreement on behalf of the Municipality.**

Council discussed the motion with staff responding to questions. Concerns were expressed with the allocation of funds. It was suggested that this could be examined and done in-house rather than by a third party.

During the discussion, Mayor Savage rejoined the meeting, spoke to the motion and resumed as Chair. The Deputy Mayor took their seat.

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED.** (14 in favour, 2 against)

In favour: Mayor Savage, Deputy Mayor Mason, Councillors Streach, Hendsbee, Karsten, Nicoll, Austin, Mancini, Cleary, Walker, Whitman, Blackburn, Craig and Outhit

Against: Councillors Adams and Zurawski

Not present: Councillor Smith

**14.1.5 Rail-to-Trail Conversion – Windsor and Hantsport Railway**

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated December 5, 2017

MOVED by Councillor Blackburn, seconded by Councillor Nicoll

**THAT Halifax Regional Council:**

- 1. Direct staff to maintain communication with municipalities along the Windsor and Hantsport Rail Spur corridor on this issue;**
- 2. Monitor any changes in the ownership and operation of the facility; and**
- 3. Send a letter to CN and the Canadian Transportation Agency that expresses HRM's interest in acquiring the portions of this corridor in the Municipality for a rails-to-trails facility, should it become available.**

Council discussed the motion with staff responding to questions. A question was raised regarding if there was an inventory list of all the lands owned by the Municipality inside and outside of its jurisdictional boundary. The Municipal Solicitor advised that staff would look into this and report back.

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Not present: Councillor Smith

**14.1.6 Case 21212 – Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use By-law Amendments for 8646 and 8650 Peggys Cove Road, Indian Harbour**

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated January 19, 2018

MOVED by Councillor Whitman, seconded by Councillor Nicoll

**THAT Halifax Regional Council direct staff to:**

- 1. Initiate a process to consider amendments to the Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use By-law for Planning Districts 1 and 3 for 8646 and 8650 Peggys Cove Road, Indian Harbour to recognize the existing tourist industry use on the site and allow for its expansion or alteration; and**
- 2. Follow the public participation program for municipal planning strategy amendments as approved by Regional Council on February 27, 1997.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Not present: Councillor Smith

**14.1.7 Sheet Harbour Lions Club/Eastern Shore Lifestyles Centre**

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated January 24, 2018

MOVED by Councillor Hendsbee, seconded by Councillor Karsten

**THAT Halifax Regional Council direct staff to:**

- 1. Allocate a maximum of \$100,000 (inclusive of HST) from capital account CB000080, Sheet Harbour Rec Centre, to procure consultant services to develop a business case and prepare concept architectural and site plans along with preliminary capital and operating cost estimates for the proposed Eastern Shore Lifestyles Centre;**
- 2. Seek input from the Eastern Shore Lifestyles Centre Society on the conceptual design and business case; and**
- 3. Return to Regional Council with recommendations regarding the conceptual design and business case that achieves a cost neutral operation of the proposed centre.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Not present: Councillor Smith

**14.2 AUDIT AND FINANCE STANDING COMMITTEE**

**14.2.1 Request for Proposal (RFP) 17-380 – External Audit Services**

The following was before Council:

- A report submitted by the Chair of the Audit and Finance Standing Committee dated January 23, 2018 with attached staff report dated January 17, 2018

MOVED by Councillor Karsten, seconded by Councillor Nicoll

**THAT Halifax Regional Council award of RFP 17-380 - External Audit Services to the sole bidder, KPMG, for a one-year term renewable for a maximum of five (5) years.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Not present: Councillor Smith

**14.3 COMMUNITY PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STANDING COMMITTEE**

**14.3.1 Request for Staff Report – Delivery of Housing Services and Programs within HRM**

The following was before Council:

- A report submitted by the Chair of the Community Planning & Economic Development Standing Committee dated January 19, 2018 with attached Councillor Request for Consideration form dated January 18, 2018

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Mason, seconded by Councillor Cleary

**THAT Halifax Regional Council request a staff report to assess options for requesting the transfer of the responsibility to operate and deliver housing programs and services within the boundaries of Halifax on behalf of the Province, including but not limited to the following considerations:**

- 1. Transferring of the responsibilities of Housing Nova Scotia in the Halifax region, including Metro Regional Housing Authority (MRHA), Preston Area Housing Fund and other Not-for-Profits to the Municipality;**
- 2. Fund this transfer through property tax, by redirecting property tax points from the mandatory education and social housing funding collected by the municipality for the province, to ensure the core housing program operations would be funded by property tax revenue, rather than provincial grants;**
- 3. Develop an approach for provincial participation and cost sharing in Federal housing and regionally significant housing programs with equitable distribution of funds based on population;**
- 4. Discuss the housing allowance paid to clients living in MRHA becoming the same as the program provided to other private and not for profit land lords; and**
- 5. Make recommendations regarding management structure as either an arms length agency, a department of the Municipality, or combination of options.**

During the discussion, Council supported a friendly amendment to delete the words “options for” and insert the following in its place: “potential options for increased municipal support and partnerships for provincial housing program delivery, including the possibility of”.

The motion before Council now reads:



MOVED by Deputy Mayor Mason, seconded by Councillor Cleary

**THAT Halifax Regional Council request a staff report to assess potential options for increased municipal support and partnerships for provincial housing program delivery, including the possibility of requesting the transfer of the responsibility to operate and deliver housing programs and services within the boundaries of Halifax on behalf of the Province, including but not limited to the following considerations:**

- 1. Transferring of the responsibilities of Housing Nova Scotia in the Halifax region, including Metro Regional Housing Authority (MRHA), Preston Area Housing Fund and other Not-for-Profits to the Municipality;**
- 2. Fund this transfer through property tax, by redirecting property tax points from the mandatory education and social housing funding collected by the municipality for the province, to ensure the core housing program operations would be funded by property tax revenue, rather than provincial grants;**
- 3. Develop an approach for provincial participation and cost sharing in Federal housing and regionally significant housing programs with equitable distribution of funds based on population;**
- 4. Discuss the housing allowance paid to clients living in MRHA becoming the same as the program provided to other private and not for profit land lords; and**
- 5. Make recommendations regarding management structure as either an arms length agency, a department of the Municipality, or combination of options.**

The discussion continued with staff responding to questions of clarification.

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED.** (13 in favour, 3 against)

In favour: Mayor Savage, Deputy Mayor Mason, Councillors Hendsbee, Karsten, Austin, Mancini, Cleary, Walker, Zurawski, Whitman, Blackburn, Craig and Outhit

Against: Councillors Streach, Nicoll and Adams

Not present: Councillor Smith

#### **14.4 EXECUTIVE STANDING COMMITTEE**

##### **14.4.1 Smart Cities Challenge**

The following was before Council:

- A report submitted by the Chair of the Executive Standing Committee dated January 23, 2018 with attached staff report dated January 2, 2018

A staff presentation was circulated.

MOVED by Councillor Streach, seconded by Councillor Karsten

**THAT Halifax Regional Council:**

- 1. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) to partner with the Halifax Partnership in order to develop an application to the Smart Cities Challenge program based on poverty reduction, on behalf of HRM in partnership with the United Way and in cooperation with the Mayor's Office.**
- 2. Allocate up to \$50,000 from ICT's consultation budget (A721-6399) to fund the project.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED.** (15 in favour, 1 against)

In favour: Mayor Savage, Deputy Mayor Mason, Councillors Streach, Hendsbee, Karsten, Nicoll, Austin, Mancini, Cleary, Walker, Zurawski, Whitman, Blackburn, Craig and Outhit

Against: Councillor Adams

Not present: Councillor Smith

#### **14.5 HARBOUR EAST-MARINE DRIVE COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

##### **14.5.1 Case 20436 – Amendments to the Dartmouth Municipal Planning Strategy (MPS) and Land Use By-Law (LUB), and Proposed Development Agreement for 102 Albro Lake Road, Dartmouth**

The following was before Council:

- A report submitted by the Chair of the Harbour East-Marine Drive Community Council dated January 15, 2018 with attached staff report dated November 22, 2017

MOVED by Councillor Austin, seconded by Councillor Mancini

**THAT Halifax Regional Council give First Reading to consider the proposed amendments to the Municipal Planning Strategy (MPS) and Land Use By-law (LUB) for Dartmouth, as set out in Attachments A and B of the staff report dated November 22, 2017, to enable an automotive repair garage in an existing commercial building at 102 Albro Lake Road, Dartmouth, by development agreement, and schedule a joint public hearing with Harbour East-Marine Drive Community Council.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Not present: Councillor Smith

#### **15. MOTIONS – NONE**

#### **16. 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:*

##### **16.1 Personnel Matter**

A matter pertaining to an identifiable individual or group.

##### **16.1.1 2018 Volunteer Award Recipients – *Private and Confidential Report***

This matter was dealt with in public.

MOVED by Councillor Walker, seconded by Councillor Nicoll

**THAT Halifax Regional Council:**

- 1. Approve the individual Adult and Youth award recipients; including ten volunteers to attend the Provincial Volunteer Awards and Halifax Regional Municipality's (HRM) 2018 Volunteer of the Year Awards Ceremony as found in Attachment A of the January 15, 2018 private and confidential staff report.**
- 2. Approve Community Group award recipients in two categories as found in Attachment B of the January 15, 2018 private and confidential staff report.**
- 3. Not release the January 15, 2018 Private and Confidential staff report to the public until the 2018 Halifax Regional Municipality's (HRM) Volunteer Awards Ceremony on April 11, 2018.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Not present: Councillor Smith

## 17. ADDED ITEMS

### 17.1 Commemoration of Edward Cornwallis

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated January 27, 2018
- Correspondence from David Smith, Sam Fraser, Jan Kansas, Patricia George-Zwicker, Karen Schaffer and Mark Rutherford, Laura Patterson, Alia Saied and Margot Durling, Tinofadzwa Chiome, Ray Chafe, Tracy Stevens, Bart Vautour, Mynah Meagher, Mike Springer, Lindsay Miller, Eleanor Hornback, Donna Nicholson, Joe O'Brien, Sarah Blenkhorn, Brandon Green, Sarah MacDonald, Emily LeBlanc, Louise Hanavan, Mary Burnet, Kristen Maclean, Julia Bremner, Connor Simpson, Trevor Murphy, Krystal Blackmore, Holli Durost, Lindsay Slade, Cooper Vollick, Su Donovaro, Claudia Mann, Peter L. Twohig, Katherine Taylor, Adam Barrett, Jordan MacVay, Laura Hadley, Lynette Richards, Matt Steele, Bryne Jones-Vaillancourt, Nicole Maunsell, Janet Dyson, Danielle Boudreau, Rebecca Faria, Andrew Chandler, Jessica McCarvell, Thomas Niles, Grace Szucs, Heather M. Elliott, Lindsay Graham, Jordon Roberts, Michelle Strum, Colin Conrad, James Henderson, Jennifer MacDonald, Derek Simon, Alanna MacNevin, Alana Doran, Jenn Richardson, Keanan Byggdin, Sam Bolton, Todd Denton, Sarah Manchon, Scott Edgar, Sharon MacDonald, Nadia Tymoshenko, Adam Lanigan, Rosalea Thompson, Melissa Laverdure, Frank Lowe, Darcy MacCallum, Kiersten Holden-Ada, Wayne O'Leary, Lisa Buchanan, Jack Morrow, Camilla Farrell, Hillary Lindsay, Benjamin MacLeod, Jillian Stewart, Dusty Keleher, Alexandra L. Montgomery and Meghan Hubley

MOVED by Councillor Karsten, seconded by Deputy Mayor Mason

**THAT Halifax Regional Council:**

- 1. Direct the CAO to proceed to remove the statue of Edward Cornwallis immediately and to place the statue in temporary storage until Council makes a decision about the statue's long term situation;**
- 2. Seek, through the Mayor's office, to re-engage the Assembly of Nova Scotia Mi'kmaq Chiefs in establishing a special advisory committee as set out in Administrative Order 2017-012-GOV; and**
- 3. If the Assembly of Nova Scotia Mi'kmaq Chiefs (ANSMC) chooses not to re-engage under the current committee process, direct the CAO to return to Council with a revised approach to examining the commemoration of Edward Cornwallis and the commemoration and recognition of Indigenous history in the lands now known as Halifax Regional Municipality, and with any necessary proposed amendments to Administrative Order 2017-012-GOV.**

Council discussed the motion speaking in favour and against the removal of the Edward Cornwallis statue. Some members saw the removal of the statue as a step forward to keeping the dialog going, build on the relationship with Indigenous people, and work towards reconciling Indigenous history in the Region. Other members of Council supported a different approach, proposing the creation of an interpretative panel made up of equal representation of all of Halifax's founding groups. The panel would look at ways to commemorate all groups' equally. It was also suggested that Cornwallis Park be renamed to Founders' Plaza.

During the discussion, Mayor Savage stepped down as Chair to speak to the motion and Deputy Mayor Mason assumed the Chair. Mayor Savage resumed as Chair prior to the vote and Deputy Mayor Mason took their seat.

Council supported a friendly amendment to the wording of Recommendation 3, to return to Council *within six months with a staff report*.

The motion now reads:

MOVED by Councillor Karsten, seconded by Deputy Mayor Mason

**THAT Halifax Regional Council:**

- 1. Direct the CAO to proceed to remove the statue of Edward Cornwallis immediately and to place the statue in temporary storage until Council makes a decision about the statue's long term situation;**
- 2. Seek, through the Mayor's office, to re-engage the Assembly of Nova Scotia Mi'kmaq Chiefs in establishing a special advisory committee as set out in Administrative Order 2017-012-GOV; and**
- 3. If the Assembly of Nova Scotia Mi'kmaq Chiefs (ANSMC) chooses not to re-engage under the current committee process, direct the CAO to return to Council within six months with a staff report setting out a revised approach to examining the commemoration of Edward Cornwallis and the commemoration and recognition of Indigenous history in the lands now known as Halifax Regional Municipality, and with any necessary proposed amendments to Administrative Order 2017-012-GOV.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED.** (12 in favour, 4 against)

In favour: Mayor Savage, Deputy Mayor Mason, Councillors Streach, Karsten, Nicoll, Austin, Mancini, Cleary, Zurawski, Blackburn, Craig and Outhit

Against: Councillors Hendsbee, Walker, Adams and Whitman

Not present: Councillor Smith

**18. NOTICES OF MOTION**

**18.1 Councillor Austin**

"TAKE NOTICE that, at the next meeting of Halifax Regional Council to be held on February 13, 2018, I propose to move the repeal of *Administrative Order 2014-019-GOV, Respecting the Arts Halifax Advisory Committee* as the committee has completed its primary tasks outlined in the terms of reference and is nearing the end of its three-year mandate."

**19. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 4:59 p.m.

Kevin Arjoon  
Municipal Clerk