



**COMMUNITY PLANNING & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STANDING COMMITTEE
MINUTES
December 17, 2015**

PRESENT: Councillor Waye Mason, Chair
Councillor Lorelei Nicoll
Councillor Jennifer Watts
Councillor Steve Craig

REGRETS: Councillor Stephen Adams, Vice Chair

STAFF: Mr. Mike Labrecque, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer
Ms. Karen Brown, Senior Solicitor
Ms. Sheilagh Edmonds, Legislative Assistant

The following does not represent a verbatim record of the proceedings of this meeting.

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The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. and recessed at 10:33 a.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Legislative Assistant called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR

The Legislative Assistant called for nominations for Chair.

MOVED by Councillor Craig, seconded by Councillor Nicoll

That Councillor Mason be nominated as Chair for 2016.

Councillor Mason accepted the nomination. **There were no further nominations, and Councillor Mason was declared Chair.**

The Chair called for nominations for Vice Chair.

MOVED by Councillor Watts, seconded by Councillor Craig

That Councillor Nicoll be nominated for Vice Chair for 2016.

Councillor Nicoll accepted the nomination. **There were no further nominations, and Councillor Nicoll was declared Vice Chair.**

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – November 19, 2015

MOVED by Councillor Watts, seconded by Councillor Nicoll

THAT the minutes of November 19, 2015 be approved.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

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

There were no additions or deletions to the agenda.

Councillor Craig requested, and the Committee agreed, that Information Item 2 RE: *Rural Benchmarks & Service Levels* be brought forward to the next regular meeting for staff presentation, and that an invitation be extended to the Councillors representing the rural areas of the Municipality to attend.

MOVED by Councillor Watts, seconded by Councillor Craig

That the agenda be approved as presented.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

4. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES

4.1 CP & ED's Motion of January 8, 2015 RE Switch Open Streets

The following was before the Committee:

- A memorandum dated February 5, 2015 from the Legislative Assistant RE: CP & ED's Motion of January 8, 2015 on Switch Open Streets

The Chair indicated that it recently came to his attention the Committee's motion of January 8, 2015 regarding Switch Open Streets had been ruled out of order by the Municipal Clerk's Office. Referencing the submitted memorandum, the Chair advised that the Municipal Clerk's Office does not have the authority to rule a Committee's motion out of order. He added that as a result the Committee's motion for staff report was never acted on.

The Chair advised that the motion from January 8, 2015 still stands and therefore will proceed, as originally approved by the Committee.

5. CALL FOR DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTERESTS - NONE

6. MOTIONS OF RECONSIDERATION – NONE

7. MOTIONS OF RESCISSION – NONE

8. CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS – NONE

9. NOTICES OF TABLED MATTERS – NONE

10. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS - NONE

11. INFORMATION ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD – NONE

12. REPORTS

12.1 STAFF

12.1.1 Progress Update on Cogswell Redevelopment Program

The following was before the Standing Committee

- A staff Information report dated December 17, 2015.

Mr. John Spinelli, Director, Cogswell Redevelopment Program provided a presentation updating the Committee on the Cogswell Redevelopment Program. In his remarks he outlined the project schedule, the detailed procurement plan for consultant and construction services for the project, the internal and external stakeholders that have been and will continue to be engaged, the concept of District Energy in regard to the Cogswell redevelopment, and risk management.

Mr. Spinelli responded to questions.

Councillor Craig noted there was strong governance developed around this program and he suggested that it would be very helpful if staff developed a Critical Path and that future updates to the Committee start with an explanation of the point the program was at in the Critical Path.

12.1.2 Destination Halifax Update

The following was before the Standing Committee

- A staff recommendation report dated December 2, 2015.

MOVED by Councillor Nicoll, seconded by Councillor Craig

THAT the Community Planning and Economic Development Standing Committee receive the report and forward it to Regional Council for information.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

12.1.3 Welcoming Newcomers Action Plan

The following was before the Standing Committee

- A staff recommendation report dated December 7, 2015

MOVED by Councillor Watts, seconded by Councillor Nicoll

THAT the Community Planning and Economic Development Standing Committee forward the Welcoming Newcomers Action Plan update to Regional Council, as an information item.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

12.1.4 Meeting Schedule for 2016

The following was before the Standing Committee

- A staff recommendation report dated December 1, 2015.

MOVED by Councillor Nicoll, seconded by Councillor Watts

THAT the Community Planning and Economic Development Standing Committee approve the following meeting schedule for 2016:

January 21
February 18
March 24 (4th Thursday)
April 21
May 19
June 16
July 28 (4th Thursday)
August – No Meeting
September 15
October – No Meeting
November 17
December 15

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

13. MOTIONS - NONE

14. IN CAMERA (IN PRIVATE)

14.1 Minutes – November 19, 2015

MOVED by Councillor Watts, seconded by Councillor Craig

That the minutes In Camera (In Private) minutes of November 19, 2015 be approved as presented.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

15. ADDED ITEMS - NONE

- 16. NOTICES OF MOTION - NONE**
- 17. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – January 21, 2016**
- 18. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 10:33 a.m.

Sheilagh Edmonds
Legislative Assistant