

**HALIFAX REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY**

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**URBAN DESIGN TASK FORCE**

**MINUTES**

**September 11, 2006**

**PRESENT:**

Clarence Butler  
Margot Young  
Paul MacKinnon  
Dale Godsoe  
Geoff Keddy  
Cathy Carmody  
Bernie Smith  
Linda Garber  
Kendall Taylor  
William Hyde  
Paul Shakotko  
David Garrett  
Councillor Sloane

**REGRETS:**

Kevin Riles

**STAFF:**

Andy Filmore, Capital District Urban Design Project Manager  
Stephanie Parsons, Legislative Assistant

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1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Councillor Sloane, Acting Chair called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

The following documents were circulated to the Committee

- Article - Magnues Linkater. " City plans Had me the matches," The Times London August 16, 2006
- Article - Jack Diamond. " We have the Cure. Where is the courage," The Globe and Mail August 5, 2006 Article
- Copy of Regional Council Committee of the Whole presentation for September 12, 2006

2. **ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR**

The Acting Chair called for nominations for the position of Chair and Vice Chair of the Urban Design Task Force.

**MOVED BY Mr. Bernie Smith, seconded by Mr. William Hyde that Ms. Dale Godsoe be nominated for the position of Chair**

**MOVED BY Mr. Geoff Keddy, seconded by Mr. Paul MacKinnon that Mr. Clarence Butler be nominated Chair**

With no further nominations, a ballot was held and by majority vote Ms. Dale Godsoe was declared Chair of the Urban Design Task Force .

The Committee agreed to appoint Mr. Clarence Butler as Vice Chair of the Urban Design Task Force.

At this time Ms. Dale Godsoe assumed the Chair and called for the approval of the minutes.

**MOVED BY Councillor Sloane, seconded by Mr. Butler that the minutes of the August 2, 2006 meeting be approved. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

3. **STAFF REPORT**

3.1 **Urban Design Task Force Meeting Schedule**

- A staff report dated August 30, 2006 with an attached meeting schedule was before the Task Force.

**MOVED BY Mr. Butler, seconded by Councillor Sloane that the Urban Design Task Force approve the proposed amended meeting schedule as per attachment one of the staff report dated August 30, 2006. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

Councillor Sloane advised that she will not be able to participate in the forums as she will be attending the Capital Cities Conference and advised that she would update the Task Force at the next meeting.

#### **4. URBAN DESIGN FORUM 1 OVERVIEW**

- A copy of the Forum 1 schedule - Visioning and Framework was before the Task Force
- A copy of the Urban Design Study Presentation to Regional Council was circulated to the Task Force

Ms. Jennifer Keesmaat, Office for Urbanism, advised the Task Force that the forum will commence at 5:45 p.m. and provided an overview of the process. The following was noted:

- The workshops are designed to build upon the previous workshops,
- The intent of the first forum is to create a vision and structure,
- There will be a series of presentations,
- The workshops are interactive in which participants will work through a series of questions in order to try and capture some of the ideas and visions,
- The second workshop is on place identification.

In response to Mr. Paul Shakotko, Ms. Keesmaat advised that a series of stakeholder meetings were previously conducted. The workshops are designed for public viewing.

Responding to a question about best practice Mr. Filmore advised that he will provide a presentation on best practices at the next meeting.

#### **5. NEXT MEETING DATE - October 4, 2006**

#### **6. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m

Stephanie Parsons  
Legislative Assistant