



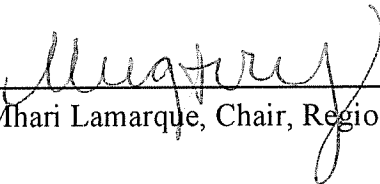
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Item No. 10.4.1

**Halifax Regional Council
March 25, 2008**

TO: Mayor Kelly and Members of Halifax Regional Council

SUBMITTED BY:

for  _____
Ms. Mhari Lamarque, Chair, Regional Youth Advisory Committee

DATE: March 18, 2008

SUBJECT: Regional Youth Advisory Committee - Youth Transportation

ORIGIN

Regional Youth Advisory Committee meeting of March 17, 2008.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that Regional Council:

1. Request a staff report on the possibility of allocating funds from the Transit trust fund for improving suburban and rural transportation should they become available in the upcoming budget; and
2. Request Metro Transit consider changing the age limit of the Metro Transit Child's ticket from fifteen (15) to eighteen (18) years old; and
3. Request a staff report on the implementation of an HRM youth discount pass.

BACKGROUND

After several meetings of the Regional Youth Advisory Committee it has become apparent that accessible and affordable transportation is a high priority issue for youth in HRM.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

The budget implications associated with the recommendations have not yet been identified. Any associated budget implications would need to be determined by HRM staff and disclosed to Regional Council in a subsequent report.

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT POLICIES / BUSINESS PLAN

This report complies with the Municipality's Multi-Year Financial Strategy, the approved Operating, Capital and Reserve budgets, policies and procedures regarding withdrawals from the utilization of Capital and Operating reserves, as well as any relevant legislation.

ALTERNATIVES

N/A

ATTACHMENTS

N/A

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