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Item No. 2

Halifax Regional Council
April 1, 2008

TO: Mayor Kelly and Members of Halifax Regional Council

SUBMITTED BY: 
Cathie O'Toole, Director, Infrastructure & Asset Management

DATE: March 18, 2008

SUBJECT: Petition - Chebucto Road Widening

INFORMATION REPORT

ORIGIN

At the November, 11, 2007 meeting of Regional Council, Councillor Fougere served a petition in opposition to the Chebucto Road widening project and calling for an immediate moratorium for one year which will allow the residents and staff an opportunity for review of the project.

BACKGROUND

The creation of a reversing lane on Chebucto Road and the widening of the Chebucto/Mumford intersection was identified as a project in the HRM Regional Plan and endorsed by Regional Council at its meeting of March 27, 2007.

DISCUSSION

At the November 18, 2007 meeting of Regional Council, Councillor Fougere made a motion that Regional Council "grant a one-year moratorium on the Chebucto Widening and Reversing Lane Project, during which time members of Council, HRM staff from relevant Planning and Traffic departments, citizens and interested observers can consult to develop better solutions, not just for cars, but for people walking, people cycling, people in buses and people driving." That motion was defeated.

The defeat of the motion at Regional Council dealt with the request made by the petition and no further action is deemed necessary.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

There are no budget implications.

ALTERNATIVES

There are no recommended alternatives.

ATTACHMENTS

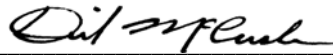
There are no attachments.

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.

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