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Item No. 2
Halifax Regional Council
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TO: Mayor Kelly and Members of Halifax Regional Council

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DATE: July 9, 2010

SUBJECT: Request for Speed Bumps - Valkyrie Crescent

INFORMATION REPORT

ORIGIN

Item 9.2.1 raised at the Halifax Regional Council meeting of May 25, 2010.

Councillor Karsten submitted a petition containing 46 signatures on behalf of the residents of Valkyrie Crescent, Dartmouth, requesting that speed bumps be installed on Valkyrie Crescent as the danger of harm to children by reckless drivers, and those who use Valkyrie Crescent as a thoroughfare was far too great.

BACKGROUND

Speed humps are constructed on HRM streets only under the Neighbourhood Short-Cutting Policy.

DISCUSSION

Valkyrie Crescent is a crescent street that connects to what is basically a larger crescent street - Cranberry Crescent. It is likely there is little short-cutting going on Cranberry Crescent, and hence there is certainly no short-cutting using Valkyrie Crescent. The Short-Cutting Policy applies only to streets with a significant proportion of traffic being short-cutting traffic. Thus the Policy does not apply to Valkyrie Crescent, and speed humps cannot be considered otherwise.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

There are no budget implications.

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT POLICIES/BUSINESS PLAN

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

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Community engagement is not deemed to be necessary in this process because this information complies with the Neighbourhood Short-Cutting Policy, which is a previous Council decision.

A copy of this report can be obtained online at <http://www.halifax.ca/council/agendasc/cagenda.html> then choose the appropriate meeting date, or by contacting the Office of the Municipal Clerk at 490-4210, or Fax 490-4208.

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