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Item No. 11.1.2
Halifax Regional Council
December 9, 2014

TO: Mayor Savage and Members of Halifax Regional Council

SUBMITTED BY: Original signed by 
Richard Butts, Chief Administrative Officer

Original Signed by 
Mike Labrecque, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer

DATE: November 24, 2014

SUBJECT: Appointment of Traffic Authority and Deputy Traffic Authority

ORIGIN

This report originates with staff.

LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY

Subsection 321(2) of the *Halifax Regional Municipality Charter* states that "The Council may, by policy, appoint a traffic authority for all or part of the Municipality."

Subsection 86(7) of the *Motor Vehicle Act* states that:

"The council of a city or town may, from time to time, appoint a member of the police force, or some other official of the city or town to be deputy traffic authority who, in the absence or incapacity of the traffic authority or in the event of his death or ceasing to hold the office, shall perform the duties and have all the authority of the traffic authority of the city or town."

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that Halifax Regional Council adopt the amendments to Administrative Order 12, the *Appointment of the Traffic Authority* Administrative Order, as set out in Attachment 2, and:

- a) Appoint Taso Koutroulakis, P.Eng. as the provisional Traffic Authority;
- b) Appoint Tanya Davis, P.Eng. as the provisional Deputy Traffic Authority, and
- c) That both appointments be effective until June 30, 2015.

BACKGROUND

On December 9, 1997 Council adopted Administrative Order 12, the *Appointment of the Traffic Authority* Administrative Order under the authority of the now repealed *Halifax Regional Municipality Act*.

On June 24, 2014, under Administrative Order 12, Council appointed Taso Koutroulakis, P.Eng. as the provisional Traffic Authority and Tanya Davis, P.Eng. as the provisional Deputy Traffic Authority. Their appointments expired on December 2, 2014.

DISCUSSION

Staff will be coming forward to Council in Spring 2015 with a recommendation for the appointment of a permanent Traffic Authority and a permanent Deputy Traffic Authority. Until that occurs, staff is recommending the interim appointments of Mr. Taso Koutroulakis, P.Eng. as the Traffic Authority and Ms. Tanya Davis, P.Eng., as the Deputy Traffic Authority. These appointments will expire on the earlier of June 30, 2015 or the date Council makes the permanent appointments. These interim appointments will ensure that the duties of the Traffic Authority will continue to be fulfilled on behalf of the Municipality until Council makes a decision on permanent appointments.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

None.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

None.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

None.

ALTERNATIVES

Council may decide not to amend Administrative Order 12. This is not recommended as this will effectively cause the Municipality to be without a Traffic Authority.

ATTACHMENTS

- Attachment 1 Showing proposed changes to Administrative Order 12
 - Attachment 2 Administrative Order Amending Administrative Order 12
 - Attachment 3 Incorporating all proposed changes to Administrative Order 12
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Attachment 1

(showing proposed changes)

**HALIFAX REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY
ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NUMBER 12**
Respecting the Appointment of the Traffic Authority

BE IT RESOLVED as an Administrative Order of the Council of the Halifax Regional Municipality as follows:

SHORT TITLE

1. The Administrative Order may be cited as Administrative Order Number 12, the *Appointment of the Traffic Authority*.

TRAFFIC AUTHORITY APPOINTED

2. Mr. Taso Koutroulakis, P.Eng., is hereby appointed as the provisional Traffic Authority until 11:59 pm on ~~December 2, 2014~~ **June 30, 2015** as defined in Section 321 of the *Halifax Regional Municipality Charter*, and responsible for performing the duties set out in the Act.

DEPUTY TRAFFIC AUTHORITY

3. Ms. Tanya Davis, P.Eng., is hereby appointed as the provisional Deputy Traffic Authority until 11:59 pm on ~~December 2, 2014~~ **June 30, 2015**.

Done and passed in Council this 24th day of June, 2014.

Mayor

Municipal Clerk

Attachment 2

(Amending Administrative Order)

HALIFAX REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY
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BE IT RESOLVED as an Administrative Order of the Council of the Halifax Regional Municipality that Administrative 12, the *Appointment of the Traffic Authority Administrative Order*, be further amended as follows:

1. Section 2 is amended by:
 - a) striking out the word, number and comma “December 2, 2014” after the word “on” and before the words “as defined”; and
 - b) adding the word, number and comma “June 30, 2015” after the word “on” and before the words “as defined”.
2. Section 3 is amended by:
 - a) striking out the word, number and comma “December 2, 2014” after the word “on” and before the period; and
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