


TO: Mayor Kelly and Members of Halifax Regional Council

SUBMITTED BY:



Ken Reashor, P.Eng., A/Director, Transportation and Public Works Services

DATE: June 27, 2005

SUBJECT: Petition for New Sidewalk, Kingfisher Way - Central Region

INFORMATION REPORT

ORIGIN

Halifax Regional Council meeting of May 3, 2005, Item 8.2.2 - Petition requesting sidewalk on Kingfisher Way.

BACKGROUND

At the May 3, 2005 Halifax Regional Council meeting, Councillor Harvey served a petition from 260 residents requesting the installation of a sidewalk on Kingfisher Way from Metropolitan Avenue to the Sackville High School.

DISCUSSION

Kingfisher Way connects the Sackville High School to Metropolitan Avenue. The length of the road is approximately 435 m and the work would consist of installing sidewalk, curb and gutter and some storm drainage works. The estimated cost of installing a sidewalk on Kingfisher Way is \$212,000. It should be expected that this cost will increase over time as construction costs rise incrementally each year.

This sidewalk has been added to the list of proposed sidewalks for the Halifax Regional Municipality and referred for consideration as part of HRM's normal Capital Budget process.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

New sidewalks and curb & gutter require the recovery of Local Improvement Charges. The 2005 rate for new concrete sidewalk has been established at \$22.71 per lineal foot of frontage. The 2005 rate for new concrete curb and gutter on one side of the street has been established at \$15.15 per lineal foot of frontage. There is only one property abutting the new sidewalk and curb & gutter that is not owned by HRM, and we would note that they have not been petitioned to determine their acceptance of this frontage charge. Alternatively, the Local Improvement Charges may be recovered by an area rate over a part or all of the district area. Based on the 2005 rates, the required Local Improvement recovery has been estimated at \$8,600.

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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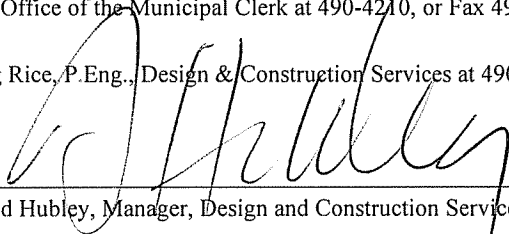
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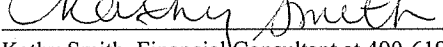
ALTERNATIVES

There are no recommended alternatives.

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