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Item No. 9.4.2
Transportation Standing Committee
December 3, 2014

TO: Chair and Members of the Transportation Standing Committee

SUBMITTED BY: *Original Signed*
Allison Sparling, Chair, Active Transportation Advisory Committee

DATE: October 20, 2014

SUBJECT: Support for Recreation Trails

ORIGIN

Motion from the Active Transportation Advisory Committee at the June 19, 2014 meeting.

LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY

Section 2.1 of the Committee's Mandate – "The Committee will provide timely advice to the Transportation Standing Committee on matters relating to budget, infrastructure, education, policy and public awareness."

RECOMMENDATION

The Active Transportation Advisory Committee requests the Transportation Standing Committee review how Recreational Trails can be supported through planning and the Municipal Capital Budget process.

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION

At the June meeting of the Active Transportation Advisory Committee, during a verbal update from the representative of the Halifax Regional Trails Association, the Committee was advised that, recently, the Trails Association signed capital and maintenance agreements with various community groups. A brief discussion ensued and concern was expressed about the need for more support for recreational trails. Subsequently, the Committee passed a motion requesting that the Transportation Standing Committee look into this matter, as noted in the above recommendation.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

None associated with this report.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

The Active Transportation Advisory Committee includes ten volunteer members of the public and three Councillors. Active Transportation Advisory Committee meetings are open to the public and agendas and minutes can be viewed online at www.Halifax.ca.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

None.

ALTERNATIVES

The Committee did not provide alternatives.

ATTACHMENTS

None.

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