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**Item No. 9.4.2**  
**Transportation Standing Committee**  
**May 28, 2015**

**TO:** Chair and Members of the Transportation Standing Committee  
Original Signed

**SUBMITTED BY:** Ben Buckwold, Chair, Active Transportation Advisory Committee

**DATE:** April 22, 2015

**SUBJECT:** Amendment to Terms of Reference – Committee Composition

**ORIGIN**

Motion by the Active Transportation Standing Committee at a meeting held on April 16, 2015.

**LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY**

Section 15.1 of the Committee's Terms of Reference – "The Committee may from time to time recommend to the Transportation Standing Committee the amendment of these Terms of Reference following an appropriately voted resolution."

**RECOMMENDATION**

The Active Transportation Advisory Committee (ATAC) recommends the Transportation Standing Committee request Halifax Regional Council amend ATAC's Terms of Reference to include a representative of Walk 'n Roll HFX in the Committee membership.

**BACKGROUND**

This matter was brought forward by a member of the Active Transportation Advisory Committee at a meeting held on April 16, 2015.

**DISCUSSION**

The Committee was advised that a new pedestrian advocacy group has been formed in HRM called, Walk 'n Roll HFX. The group's vision is that *'Any route a pedestrian takes is safe, comfortable and interesting'*. The group's focus is on areas of accessibility, urban design, health and well-being, as well as safety and maintenance, ensuring sidewalks are comfortable and interesting to look at. Walk 'n Roll HFX is created to give more voice to the pedestrian perspective when it comes to decision-making around policy and building regulations, street infrastructure and transit design. The Committee passed a motion as noted in the above recommendation.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

None.

**COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

The Active Transportation Committee is comprised of four members at large, one representative from the following organizations: Advisory Committee on Accessibility in HRM, Halifax Regional Trails Association, Halifax Cycling Coalition, Province of Nova Scotia, Bicycle Nova Scotia, Ecology Action Centre Trax program; and three elected officials. Active Transportation Advisory Committee meetings are open to the public and agendas and minutes can be viewed online at [www.Halifax.ca](http://www.Halifax.ca).

**ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS**

None.

**ALTERNATIVES**

The Committee did not provide alternatives

**ATTACHMENTS**

None.

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