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Item No. 12.1.4
Transportation Standing Committee
December 8, 2016

TO: Chair and Members of the Transportation Standing Committee

Original Signed

SUBMITTED BY:

Kevin Arjoon, Municipal Clerk

DATE: November 25, 2016

SUBJECT: Review of Report Requests

ORIGIN

Staff report to review the lists of report requests in accordance with Administrative Order 1, Section 76(2).

LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY

Administrative Order 1 Section 76(2) "At the first meeting of the subsequent Council following the swearing into office of the new Members, the status sheet shall be tabled and upon review Council may withdraw any item(s) from the status sheet."

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Transportation Standing Committee review the attached list of report requests, as outlined in Attachment 1 and bring forward any items recommended to be withdrawn.

BACKGROUND

A Standing Committee may, by motion, request that a staff report be requested through the Chief Administrative Officer. Prior to September 2014, requests for reports were maintained by the Office of the Municipal Clerk in a tracking document referred to as a "status sheet". In September 2014, a new corporate tracking tool was launched called "Report Center" and all new requests for reports were tracked via this tool.

DISCUSSION

With the repeal and replacement of Administrative Order 1, *the Procedure of the Council Administrative Order*, in November 2015, section 76(2) was added to allow for the review of report requests following a Municipal Election and the Swearing In of a new Mayor and Council.

This marks the first review of the requests for reports from Report Center, where a Standing Committee may review the requests as outlined in Attachment 1 and advise if any of these items should be withdrawn.

Following the review, any item(s) recommended to be withdrawn will be archived from the Report Center, cancelling the previous request for a staff report.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications associated with this report.

RISK CONSIDERATION

If subsequent to this review, a member wishes to withdraw a motion which previously approved a request for a staff report, a notice of motion of rescission would be required at the meeting prior the motion of rescission being considered in accordance with Administrative Order 1.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Standing Committee meetings are open to the public.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

N/A

ALTERNATIVES

The Standing Committee could choose not to review the current lists of requests for staff reports and take no action at this time.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1 – Report Center – Requests for Staff Reports

A copy of this report can be obtained online at <http://www.halifax.ca/boardscom/index.php> then choose the appropriate Committee and meeting date, or by contacting the Office of the Municipal Clerk at 902.490.4210, or Fax 902.490.4208.

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#	Name	Original Motion / Description	Councillor	Date of Request
1	Open Zone Residential Parking Permits	That the Transportation Standing Committee request a staff report to evaluate the provision of open zone residential parking permits or other similar solutions to support the needs of residents who are car share members.	Mason, Waye	28/05/2015
2	Mobile Business Parking Permits	That the Transportation Standing Committee request a staff report considering adding a commercial parking permit for abutting businesses on streets with specific parking controls in order to exempt a business vehicle from posted signs similar to the existing residential parking exemption under By-law P-1000 On-Street Parking Exemptions and Permits.	Mason, Waye	25/06/2015
3	Restriction and Control of Motor Vehicle Noise	THAT the Transportation Standing Committee request a staff report to outline options under the current or amended noise bylaw and/or the Motor Vehicle Act to set standards that may restrict and control motor vehicle noise especially muffler noise.	Mason, Waye	22/10/2015
4	Traffic Control Persons for Special Events	THAT the Transportation Standing Committee request a staff report to outline the implications of a request to Regional Council for the Mayor to write to the province requesting an addition to the Motor Vehicle Act that would allow 'Traffic Control Persons' to direct the movement of traffic for special events sanctioned by the municipality	Mason, Waye	24/03/2016
5	Trans Canada Trail	THAT the Transportation Standing Committee request a staff report regarding endorsement of the Trans Canada Trail (TCT) request regarding the completion of the Trans Canada Trail before Canada 150 and steps to complete the Shearwater Flyer connection as the preferred option.	Mason, Waye	28/04/2016
6	Consideration of Low-Income Transit Passes for Low-Income Seniors	THAT the Transportation Standing Committee request a staff report outlining: a) An analysis of the demographic characteristics of seniors in the municipality, specifically as it relates to income level and the percentage of seniors that could be considered low income for the potential purpose of providing subsidized low income transit passes; and b) An analysis of the existing costs of providing discounted transit fares for seniors.	Rankin, Reg	14/06/2016
7	Transfer of Responsibility for Transit Priority Measures	That the Transportation Standing Committee request a staff report outlining a) The possible transfer of responsibility for Transit Priority Measures (TPM) funding from Halifax Transit to Transportation & Public Works b) A plan to implement the full list of proposed TPM's listed in the Staff Report dated April 18, 2016 during the 2017/18 fiscal year And that this report shall be returned to the committee in sufficient time that it may be considered as a proposal for possible inclusion in the 2017/18 capital budget.	Mason, Waye	14/06/2016
8	Accessibility Advisory Committee Terms of Reference Revision	THAT the Transportation Standing Committee requests a Staff Report considering the suggestions to the Terms of Reference provided in the discussion of the matter at the May 16, 2016 Committee meeting.	Mason, Waye	23/06/2016
9	Policy for Regularize Participation and Funding Consideration for HRM Partnered Trail Associations	That the Transportation Standing Committee request a staff report regarding possible creation of a policy to regularize participation and funding consideration for HRM partnered trail associations with such national, provincial, and regional trail identification programs that may be approved.	Mason, Waye	23/06/2016
10	Halifax Urban Greenway Association (HUGA) Trail license or easement	That the Transportation Standing Committee request a staff report regarding the possible acquisition of a license or access easement in support of an active transportation trail along the aprons of the CN rail line from Inglis Street to the former Chester Spur (now the Chain of Lakes Trail).	Mason, Waye	21/07/2016
11	Improved Taxi Safety	THAT the Transportation Standing Committee request a staff report for a strategy on moving forward on making taxis safer, including but not limited to universal education, in-car cameras, barriers, increased visibility of roof light numbers, By-law changes, stakeholder engagement, and licensing standards and that this report come back to the Transportation Standing Committee at the September meeting.	Walker, Russell	21/07/2016

12	Protected Bicycle Lane – Hollis Street	THAT the Transportation Standing Committee requests a staff report to evaluate the Hollis Street Bicycle Lane protected pilot project in spring of 2017 and include a staff comment in regard to a long term strategy for an all ages and abilities biking facility and out of the downtown.	Mason, Wayne	21/07/2016
13	Segway Safety on HRM Sidewalks	THAT the Transportation Standing Committee request a staff report addressing: 1.Potential safety issues regarding Segways on sidewalks 2.Best practises for municipal By-laws regarding Segways 3.What latitude Halifax Regional Municipality has in regulating Segways, including, but not limited to, the regulation of speed and designated areas of use; and 4.That the report also consider whether it is possible to address sidewalks as a separate entity from streets in terms of the Motor Vehicle Act.	Mosher, Linda	21/07/2016
14	On Street Bicycle Parking Policies	THAT the Transportation Standing Committee request a staff report on the subject of On-street Bicycling Parking Policies, as per the information submitted by the Halifax Cycling Coalition to ATAC on February 18, 2016.	Mason, Wayne	22/09/2016
15	Overnight Street Cleaning	THAT the Transportation Standing Committee request a staff report regarding the financial and operational implications of eliminating overnight non-emergency municipal operations	Mason, Wayne	22/09/2016
16	Parking on Quinpool Road	That the Transportation Standing Committee request a staff report to: 1.Evaluate and provide options for adequate reserved underground, retail, and designated car share parking in the Quinpool Road catchment area when considering new development and; 2. That traffic services evaluate and provide recommendations on new on-street parking opportunities such as removing the loading zone and no parking signage on the north side of Pepperell and the East side of Kline Street near Quinpool Road .	Mosher, Linda	22/09/2016