

Extract of Environment and Sustainability Standing Committee Minutes – April 16, 2012

9.3 Councillor Nicoll – Information Item 5 – Information Report dated April 11, 2012 entitled: Unwanted Distribution or Mismanagement of Flyers

A staff information report dated April 11, 2012 was before the Standing Committee.

Mr. Joshua Judah, Solicitor, Legal Services provided an overview of the April 11th staff information report and responded to questions relating to Municipal opportunities for preventing unwanted distribution or mismanagement of flyers.

During the discussion it was noted that Regional Council passed a motion on April 19, 2011 requesting a staff report from Solid Waste Resource to set out a process which would result in the elimination of the delivery of flyers to residential properties. As part of this process, staff asked legal to identify whether regulations could be placed on freedom of expression.

MOVED by Councillor Nicoll, seconded by Councillor Watts that the Environment and Sustainability Standing Committee forward the April 11, 2012 staff information report entitled: Unwanted Distribution or Mismanagement of Flyers to Halifax Regional Council with a recommendation that Halifax Regional Council convene a working group to look at the issue of distributing unwanted flyers. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.