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**Halifax Regional Council**  
**January 20, 2004**

**TO:** Mayor Kelly and Members of Halifax Regional Council

**SUBMITTED BY:**   
Ken Reashor, P.Eng., Traffic Authority

**DATE:** January 6, 2004

**SUBJECT:** West Street Petition - Residential Parking Policy

### INFORMATION REPORT

#### ORIGIN

Halifax Regional Municipality Council Meeting of November 25, 2003, Item 9.2.1.

#### BACKGROUND

At the November 25, 2003 Regional Council meeting, a petition was served by Councillor Sloane regarding the development of an on-street residential parking pass policy for West Street, District 12. The establishment of "Parking by Permit Only" blocks is initiated by the residents of a street through HRM's By-law P-1000 "The On-Street Parking Exemptions and Permits By-Law".

## DISCUSSION

The Residential On-Street Parking Policy procedure is initiated through the completion of a petition with signatures (one per address) representing a majority of dwelling units on the candidate street or street block.

Staff has reviewed the parking petition submitted by the residents of West Street. Thirteen (13) of the nineteen (19) signatures on the petition were considered valid. The remaining six (6) signatures were considered not valid because the resident's dwelling unit was already represented by a signature on the petition.

West Street contains about 50 dwelling units in R-2 zones between Robie and Agricola Streets. Staff appreciates the work completed thus far and hopes that residents are willing to obtain the remaining signatures required for this process to continue (over 50% of dwelling units represented on the petition).

Staff has examined the West Street area and does not feel that it is an appropriate location for a "Parking by Permit Only" restriction. In lieu upon receipt of the completed petition, staff would be prepared to install "No Parking 10:00am to 11:00am, M-F" and/or "No Parking 2:00pm to 3:00pm, M-F". These restrictions discourage all day parking by non-residents and provide more flexibility for the residents and their visitors. In addition, West Street residents will be able to purchase a "Residential Parking Exemption" for \$30/year to override the restriction.

## BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

There are no budget implications.

## FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT POLICIES / BUSINESS PLAN

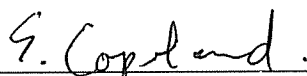
This report complies with the Municipality's Multi-Year Financial Strategy, the approved Operating, Capital and Reserve budgets, policies and procedures regarding withdrawals from the utilization of Capital and Operating reserves, as well as any relevant legislation.

## ALTERNATIVES

There are no recommended alternatives.

Additional copies of this report, and information on its status, can be obtained by contacting the Office of the Municipal Clerk at 490-4210, or Fax 490-4208.

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