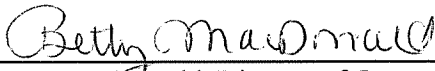


Halifax Regional Council  
July, 13, 2004

TO: Mayor Kelly and Members of Halifax Regional Council

SUBMITTED BY:

  
Betty MacDonald, Director of Governance and Strategic Initiatives

DATE: July 9, 2003

SUBJECT: Greater Halifax Report to Council January to June 2004

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### INFORMATION REPORT

#### ORIGIN

The Greater Halifax Partnership(GHP) is submitting its report to Halifax Regional Council for the period January to June, 2004.

#### BACKGROUND

The Greater Halifax Partnership has a service agreement with the municipality which commits them to reporting to Council on their activities and performance.

#### DISCUSSION

Attached is the report provided by the GHP. It highlights the services being delivered, its initiatives, such as its communications effort, business retention and expansion program (Smart/Business), its business development initiatives and its plans for the next six months. Also attached is an economic snapshot of HRM and the Partnership's Financial Statements for the First Quarter Ended March 31, 2004.

#### BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

none

#### 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.

**REGIONAL PLANNING IMPLICATIONS**

none

**ALTERNATIVES**

none

**ATTACHMENTS**

Greater Halifax Partnership Report to Halifax Regional Council for the Period January to June 2004

**INFORMATION BLOCK**

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