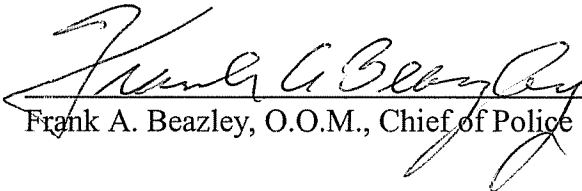




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**Halifax Regional Council**  
**January 11, 2005**

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

**SUBMITTED BY:**   
Frank A. Beazley, O.O.M., Chief of Police

**DATE:** December 23, 2004

**SUBJECT:** **Petition - Residents of Sunrise Manor re Location of  
Halifax Regional Police Office at the Manor**

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**INFORMATION REPORT**

**ORIGIN**

Item 8 2.5 of Regional Council Meeting held on September 14, 2004.

**BACKGROUND**

A petition was submitted to Council on behalf of the residents of Sunrise Manor requesting the establishment of a police community office within the confines of Sunrise Manor.

**DISCUSSION**

In response to this petition HRP's Community Officer for North End Halifax met with residents of Sunrise Manor to discuss the pertinent issues related to the petition for a police community office. The primary discussion pertained to safety in and around the complex. Residents felt that their sense of security could be improved if a police community office was established in the complex.

HRP at present maintains a number of community offices throughout the region. The strategy in the establishment of these facilities is to identify areas that have the greatest access and visibility to the larger community. A community office established at Sunrise Manor would serve only the interests of the residential complex but be limited in its impact on police visibility in the community overall.

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In the absence of the establishment of a Sunrise Manor community office, initiatives have been undertaken to increase police visibility at Sunrise Manor through the detailing of area foot patrol officers to regularly visit the complex and personally address the security concerns of the residents. The objective of this strategy is to allow the area patrol officers to build a rapport with the residents of Sunrise Manor, thus, alleviating their personal security concerns.

At present HRP is in the process of identifying a community office in this area. Initial consideration has been given to establishing an office in the George Dixon Center. This facility has long been a recognized community resource center and would provide the greatest opportunity to facilitate police visibility and community access to the police service.

After careful consideration of the subject matter of the petition, it was determined that Sunrise Manor was not an appropriate location for a community office and the concerns of the residents could be equally met through an emphasis on directed foot patrol and enhanced police community interaction with the residents of the complex.

**BUDGET IMPLICATIONS - N/A**

**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 - N/A**

**ATTACHMENTS - N/A**

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