COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE RECOMMENDATIONS:

4.1 Council Direction - 2006/07 Business Planning and Budgeting Process

That Regional Council adopt the process to facilitate greater Council consultation (as noted in the attached budget timetable of the November 8, 2005 report, including Council involvement in the various stages of the process) and direction in the 2006/07 Business Planning and Budgeting Process as described in the November 8, 2005 report.

4.2 <u>Council Focus Area - Infrastructure</u>

That Regional Council approve the pre-tendering of playground capital projects to facilitate the advanced tendering of these projects.

4.3 Council Focus Area - Traffic and Transit

That:

- 1. Mayor Kelly send a letter to all three Federal leaders, with a copy to all candidates representing HRM, and describe the importance of the fast ferry requesting that it be made an infrastructure funding priority. Further, HRM's overall infrastructure capital needs along with a list of projects be identified in the correspondence.
- 2. The Harbour Link moved from "Other Choices" to the "Must Plan for" choices under transit options.
- 3. Council endorse the recommended approach as presented by staff to Council.
 - Take care of current ridership meet core service standards and improve facilities
 - Continue to recapitalize fleet and technology
 - Complete strategic transportation projects
 - Optimize current transportation network (compliance program)
 - Plan fo the construction of the garage
 - Plan for introduction of a rural Express Route in 07/08
 - Pursue additional funding for Harbour Link
 - Preserve funds for opportunity land purchases

4.4 Contractual Matter - Harbour Solutions Project - DND/HRM Licence Agreement

That Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Authorize the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to execute the Licence Agreement between Her Majesty the Queen in right of Canada as represented by the Minister of National Defence and Halifax Regional Municipality, attached as Appendix #1 of the Private and Confidential staff report dated November 9, 2005, for the purpose of construction of a portion of the Sewage Collection System on Department of National Defence property for an annual fee of \$38,000 plus net HST for a total of \$39,303, with yearly cumulative increases of the Consumer Price Index for the Municipality as determined by Statistics Canada, with funding to be provided from Capital Account #CSE00386 - CSE00406, Pollution Control - Halifax Harbour Solutions Project for the first year of the agreement, as per the budget implications section of the November 9, 2005 Private and Confidential staff report.
- 2. Not release the Private and Confidential staff report dated November 9, 2005 until the Licence is approved by Council and executed.