

ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS

Council Agenda - April 18, 2006

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE:

11.1 Council Focus Area: Infrastructure - Stormwater and Wastewater

That Regional Council endorse the following directions:

- 1. Continue to adopt 'utility-like' practices, research merger with HRWC, and pursue alternative (to Council) rate setting strategies.**
- 2. Pursue review of alternative stormwater revenue methods but maintain current water rate approach in the interim.**
- 3. Investigate Impacts of a fully burdened Wastewater Rate (Water Bill) to support full cost recovery and a true User Pay system.**
- 4. Commence negotiation with HIAA to raise rates and raise Aerotech and Area wastewater rates in the interim.**
- 5. Help offset current capital funding pressure by exploring the following options:**
 - 1. Recommending increase to interim wastewater rate/sewer redevelopment/trunk sewer charges.**
 - 2. Closing out old projects and directly reinvesting in new projects (bypass CRESPOOL)**
 - 3. Phase in HRWC dividend over 3 years to directly invest in wastewater/stormwater projects.**
- 6. Investigate a rate escalation policy.**
- 7. Simplify and improve financial accountability & expenditure flexibility by collapsing current reserve structures (and associated bylaws) to maximum extent possible and setting up one or two reserves.**
- 8. Simplify the water bill to show two charges; one for the water charge and the other for wastewater charges.**
- 9. Each of these items for direction, to come back to Council as it relates to any change in current policies.**

11.2. Wrights Cove Land Use & Transportation Plan

That Regional Council:

- 1. Approve-in-principle the findings and recommendations of the "Wrights Cove Land Use and Transportation Plan" dated January 2006, and request staff to commence the process to incorporate the land use provisions of the report recommendations into the draft Halifax Harbour**

Plan, MPS Policy and Land Use By-Law regulations: and

- 2. Staff consider providing residential zoning to existing homes on Cove Lane, Greenbank Crescent and Basinview Drive.**
- 3. Regional Council request HRM Transportation and Public Works staff to conduct further analysis and property owner consultation regarding recommended traffic improvement measures along the Windmill Road Corridor.**