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Halifax Regional Council

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TO:

Mayor Kelly and Members of Halifax Regional Council

SUBMITTED BY:

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DATE:

May 9, 2007

SUBJECT:

By-Law S-423, Respecting Local Improvement Charges, New Paving

Projects Outside the Core Area - 2006

<u>ORIGIN</u>

HRM Council meeting of June 13, 2006.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that Council approve in principle and begin the formal process for adoption of By-Law S-423 Respecting Charges for Street Improvements from Capital Account No. CXU00585, New Paving of Subdivision Streets Outside the Core Area.

BACKGROUND

Each year, HRM submits a prioritized list of gravel roads outside the core area to the Nova Scotia Department of Transportation and Public Works (NSTPW) for cost sharing to pave gravel roads under the Aid-to-Municipalities Program.

The New Paving Projects of Subdivision Streets Outside the Core Area - 2006 were approved by Council in the 2006/07 Capital Budget. These projects are subject to Local Improvement Charges (LIC's).

DISCUSSION

These particular projects were approved by Council on June 13, 2006, as LIC projects under the Aid-to-Municipalities Program with the Nova Scotia Department of Transportation and Public Works. Under this program, 50% of the cost will be shared by NSTPW and 50% by HRM. The total HRM share will be recovered by levying LIC's to abutting properties on these streets and will be determined on a frontage basis. The approved estimated amount identified in the Council Report was \$2,200,000 on the following streets:

Three Brooks Drive	Three Brooks Subdivisio	n (District 22)
White Sands Court	Three Brooks Subdivisio	n (District 22)
Fox Hollow Drive	St. Margaret's Bay Villag	ge (District 23)
Fox Ridge Street	St. Margaret's Bay Villag	ge (District 23)
Ashford Crescent	St. Margaret's Bay Villa	ge (District 23)
Magnolia Court	St. Margaret's Bay Villa	ge (District 23)
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Lisa Ann Drive	Liatticate	strict 3)
Shepherds Lane	Darriz	strict 3)
Mark Crescent	Barris	strict 3)
Megan Drive	Danizerre	strict 3)
Renee Drive	120011011011011	strict 3)
Trevor Drive		strict 3)
Lester Drive	Lawrencetown (Dis	strict 3)

With a total project cost of \$2,239,611.10, HRM's share of the paving project is \$1,119,805.55 including net HST. The total recoverable frontage is 45,629.51 feet. Therefore, the proposed frontage rate of \$24.54 per foot will provide the funding necessary to recover HRM's share of the project cost.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

The paving projects were approved under Capital Account No. CXU00585, New Paving of Subdivision Streets Outside the Core Area. HRM's share of the total project cost of \$2,239,611.10 is \$1,119,805.55 (50%) and is fully recoverable through Local Improvement Charges thus having no net cost to HRM. The budget availability has been confirmed by Financial Services.

Budget Summary:	Capital Account No. CXU00585, New Paving of Subdivision
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Streets Outside the Core Area

Cumulative Unspent Budget Less: Total Project Cost Relance	\$3,512,860 \$1,119,806* \$2,393,054
Balance	\$2,555,05

^{*}The total estimated cost for these streets was \$2,200,000

50% NSTPW	\$1,119,805.55
50% Recoverable from LIC's	\$1,119,805.55
Net Cost to HRM	\$\frac{0.00}{2,239,611.10}
	50% Recoverable from LIC's

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.

ATTACHMENTS

By-Law S-423 Maps A copy of this report can be obtained online at http://www.halifax.ca/council/agendasc/cagenda.html then choose the appropriate meeting date, or by contacting the Office of the Municipal Clerk at 490-4210, or Fax 490-4208.

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HALIFAX REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY

By-law Number S-423

Respecting Charges for Street Improvements and New Paving Projects

BE IT ENACTED by the Council of the Halifax Regional Municipality that By-Law Number S-400, the By-Law Respecting Charges for Street Improvements, Section 2 is hereby amended as follows:

1. Section 2 of By-Law S-400 is amended by adding as Subsection (11) the following:

"Notwithstanding Subsections (1), (2) and (3) a charge is hereby imposed on those areas listed in Schedule "J" as is more particularly set out in that Schedule."

SCHEDULE "J"

- 2. The Local Improvement Charges for properties fronting or abutting in whole or in part, on Three Brooks Drive and White Sands Court in the area identified on the "Plan Showing Three Brooks Drive and White Sands Court Plan No. 3, dated June 8, 2006," attached hereto, shall be \$24.54 per foot.
- 3. The Local Improvement Charges for properties fronting or abutting in whole or in part, on Fox Hollow Drive, Fox Ridge Street, Ashford Crescent, Magnolia Court in the area identified on the "Plan Showing Fox Hollow Drive, Fox Ridge Street, Ashford Crescent, Magnolia Court, Plan No. 2, dated June 8, 2006," attached hereto, shall be \$24.54 per foot.
- 4. The Local Improvement Charges for properties fronting or abutting in whole or in part, on Michelle Drive, Lisa Ann Drive, Shepherds Lane, Mark Crescent, Megan Drive, Renee Drive, Trevor Drive, Lester Drive in the area identified on the "Plan Showing Michelle Drive, Lisa Ann Drive, Shepherds Lane, Mark Crescent, Megan Drive, Renee Drive, Trevor Drive, Lester Drive Court, Plan No. 1, dated June 8, 2006," attached hereto, shall be \$24.54 per foot.
- 5. The Local Improvement Charges imposed under this Schedule may be paid over a 10-year period with interest. Notwithstanding Section 4 of By-Law Number S-400, the unpaid balance is subject to an interest rate based on the maximum of the prime rate as set by the Royal Bank of Canada plus 2% at time of notification.

Done and passed by Council this	day of	, 2007.	
		MAYOR	
		MUNICIPAL CLERK	





