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TO: Mayor Kelly and Members of Halifax Regional Council

SUBMITTED BY:

Dan English, Chief Administrative Officer

Wayne Anstey, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer - Operations

DATE: June 5, 2007

SUBJECT: New Mobile Canteen Motor Vehicle Site - Argyle Street

ORIGIN

Application by Mr. George Gerogiannis.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that Halifax Regional Council amend Administrative Order Number 37 to add a new mobile canteen site on Argyle Street as specified in Schedule 'A'.

BACKGROUND

Street vending in HRM is governed by By-Law C-500, Respecting Commerce and Vending on Municipal Lands. Vending is only permitted on designated sites which are listed in Administrative Order Number 37. The By-Law allows for new sites to be identified by vendors which would be reviewed by staff and then presented to Council for potential addition to the Administrative Order. If Council approves a new site, then the vendor who identified it would have first right of refusal for that year. The site would then be offered for tender the next year.

Mr. George Gerogiannis, the vendor, has identified a new site for a mobile canteen on the east side of Argyle Street and requested that it be approved as a new vending site.

DISCUSSION

The proposed new site is located on the east side of Argyle Street, approximately 20 metres north of the stairs to the Grand Parade. The vendor intends to operate a soft ice cream truck at this location. There is an existing approved mobile canteen motor vehicle site on Argyle, just south of the Grand Parade stairs. If the proposed site is approved, it would bring the total number of approved mobile canteen motor vehicle sites in downtown Halifax to six.

Staff has reviewed the proposed site and there are no traffic engineering concerns. It has also been reviewed by HRM Capital District staff and by the Downtown Halifax Business Commission and both have indicated that they have no objection. The new vending site will result in the loss of one metered parking space.

It should be noted that this part of Argyle Street is within the design study area (Argyle, George, Grand Parade, Granville, Province House) which is being considered for redesign. The results of this study could eventually result in the removal of vending on Argyle but this can be dealt with at such time that a redesign is approved.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

There will be a loss of some parking meter revenue. This will be offset by a gain in revenue from the vending site license which would be \$915.00 for the first year and subject to tender award after that.

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

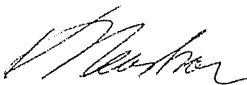
Council could choose not to approve this new mobile canteen motor vehicle vending site.


ATTACHMENTS


Schedule 'A' - Amendment to Administrative Order Number 37

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
AMENDMENT TO ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NUMBER 37**

Respecting Commerce and Vending on Municipal Lands (Site Locations)

BE IT ENACTED by the Council of Halifax Regional Municipality that Administrative Order 37 Respecting Commerce and Vending on Municipal Lands (site locations) be amended by adding the following to Sites For Mobile Canteens Which Are Motor Vehicles:

6. Argyle Street - East Side - North of Carmichael Street - 20 metres north of the stairs to the Grand Parade

Done and passed in Council this ___ day of _____, 2007.

MAYOR

Municipal Clerk

I, Jan Gibson, Municipal Clerk for the Halifax Regional Municipality, hereby certify that the above-noted Administrative Order amendment was passed at a meeting of the Halifax Regional Council held on _____, 2007.

Jan Gibson, Municipal Clerk