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Item No. 3

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

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SUBMITTED BY: _____
Cathie O'Toole, CGA Director, Infrastructure and Asset Management

DATE: October 22, 2007

SUBJECT: Petition for Street Upgrade, Nordic Crescent - Central Region

INFORMATION REPORT

ORIGIN

Halifax Regional Council meeting of September 25, 2007, Item 10.2 - Petition from Councillor Harvey requesting the repaving on Nordic Crescent, Central Region.

BACKGROUND

At the September 25, 2007 Halifax Regional Council meeting, Councillor Harvey served a petition on behalf of the residents of Nordic Crescent, Sackville requesting the repaving of the street.

DISCUSSION

Nordic Crescent is a local street in district 20 which is approximately 1,105 meters in length and runs from Stokil Drive West, and loops back to Stokil Drive East. The street has an asphalt surface with some concrete and asphalt curb.

Nordic Crescent is included in our Pavement Condition Management System as two sections. Nordic Crescent (Stokil Dr East to Nictaux Dr.) was last rated in 2006, and has a Surface Distress Index (SDI) of 9.45. This 85 m section was reconstructed in 2001, and has concrete curbs. A recommended maintenance strategy would be to crack seal this section of street.

Nordic Crescent (Stokil Dr West to Nictaux Dr) was also last rated in 2006 and has an SDI of 5.21. If this 1,020 m section of street was to be upgraded with a new asphalt surface, concrete curb and gutter and associated gravels, the estimated costs would be \$1,000,000. An alternative to this strategy would be to patch specific areas, overlay the entire street with asphalt and consider some repairs to the existing asphalt curb at an estimated cost of \$200,000. It should be expected that these costs will increase over time as construction costs rise incrementally each year.

Staff is currently developing the 2008/09 Capital Program, and is therefore unable to confirm if Nordic Crescent will be upgraded in the upcoming program. However, staff will consider this street in conjunction with other candidate locations as part of the review process. In the interim, staff of Municipal Operations will be requested to review the street for general maintenance.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

There are no budget implications at this time.

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT POLICIES / BUSINESS PLAN

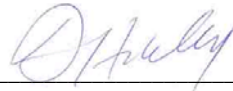
This report complies with the Municipality's Multi-Year Financial Strategy, the approved Operating, Capital and Reserve budgets, policies and procedures regarding withdrawals from the utilization of Capital and Operating reserves, as well as any relevant legislation.

ALTERNATIVES

There are no recommended alternatives to this course of action.

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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