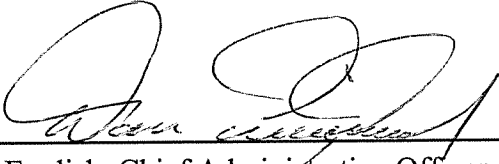


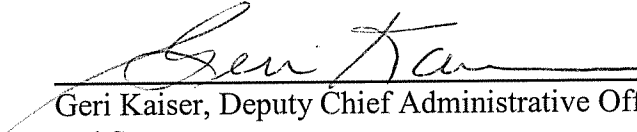
**Halifax Regional Council
December 11, 2007**

TO: Mayor Kelly and Members of Halifax Regional Council

SUBMITTED BY:



Dan English, Chief Administrative Officer



Geri Kaiser, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer - Corporate Services
and Strategy

DATE: December 7, 2007

SUBJECT: 2008 Regional Council Meeting Schedule

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT

ORIGIN

It has been the practice for Regional Council to adopt a schedule outlining meetings of Council for the forthcoming year. The proposed Regional Council meeting schedule for 2008 was submitted to Council on December 4, 2008 and was deferred at that time pending input from Members of Council.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that Council adopt the 2008 Regional Council Meeting Schedule as attached.

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION

In accordance with Administrative Order Number 1 Section 8 (2), regular Council sessions are held every Tuesday commencing at 6:00 pm. Based on input from Members of Council following the December 4, 2008 session of Council, the attached schedule proposes that Council sessions for 2008 begin on January 8th. The schedule reflects March 11th as March break. Council's summer recess will consist of July 15th, 22nd and 29th, August 19th, 26th and September 2nd. There will be a break on May 20th to coincide with the Victoria Day holiday weekend, June 3rd for the FCM conference, July 1st for the Canada Day holiday, October 14th for Thanksgiving and November 11th for Remembrance Day. December 23rd and 30th have been proposed as the break for the Holiday Season.

Committee of the Whole

Committee of the Whole meetings have been scheduled for the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month as required. Additional meetings may be scheduled throughout the year as the need arises.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

There are no budget implications associated with the recommended course of action.

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

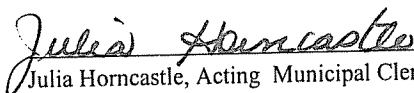
In keeping with past practice with respect to Council breaks and based on input provided by Members of Council, there are no alternatives being presented at this time.

ATTACHMENTS

Revised Halifax Regional Council Meeting Schedule January to December 2008.

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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2008 HALIFAX REGIONAL COUNCIL SCHEDULE

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MONTH	DATE	MEETING	TIME	MONTH	DATE	MEETING	TIME
January	Jan 1	No Meeting (New Years Day)		July	July 1	No Meeting (Canada Day)	
	Jan 8	COW Regular Session	TBA 6:00 pm		July 8	COW Regular Session	TBA 6:00 pm
	Jan 15	Regular Session	6:00 pm		July 15	No Regularly Scheduled Meetings	
	Jan 22	COW Regular Session	TBA 6:00 pm		July 22		
	Jan 29	Regular Session	6:00 pm		July 29		
February	Feb 5	Regular Session	6:00 pm	August	Aug 5	Regular Session	6:00 p.m
	Feb 12	COW Regular Session	TBA 6:00 pm		Aug 12	COW Regular Session	TBA 6:00 pm
	Feb 19	Regular Session	6:00 pm		Aug 19	No Regularly Scheduled Meetings	
	Feb 26	COW Regular Session	TBA 6:00 pm		Aug 26		
March	March 4	Regular Session	6:00 pm	September	Sept 2		
	March 11	No Meeting (March Break)			Sept 9	COW Regular Session	TBA 6:00 pm
	March 18	Regular Session	6:00 pm		Sept 16	Regular Session	6:00 p.m
	March 25	COW Regular Session	TBA 6:00 pm		Sept 23	COW Regular Session	TBA 6:00 pm
April	April 1	Regular Session	6:00 pm		Sept 30	Regular Session	6:00 pm
	April 8	COW Regular Session	TBA 6:00 pm	October	Oct 7	Regular Session	6:00 pm
	April 15	Regular Session	6:00 pm	October	Oct 14	No Meeting (Thanksgiving)	
	April 22	COW Regular Session	TBA 6:00 pm		Oct 21	Regular Session	6:00 pm
	April 29	Regular Session	6:00 pm		Oct 28	COW Regular Session	TBA 6:00 pm
May	May 6	Regular Session	6:00 pm	November	Nov 4	Regular Session	6:00 pm
	May 13	COW Regular Session	TBA 6:00 pm		Nov 11	No Meeting (Remembrance Day)	
	May 20	No Meeting (Victoria Day)			Nov 18	Regular Session	6:00 pm
	May 27	COW Regular Session	TBA 6:00 pm		Nov 25	COW Regular Session	TBA 6:00 pm
June	June 3	No Meeting (FCM - Quebec)		December	Dec 2	Regular Session	6:00 pm
	June 10	COW Regular Session	TBA 6:00 pm		Dec 9	COW Regular Session	TBA 6:00 pm
	June 17	Regular Session	6:00 pm		Dec 16	Regular Session	6:00 pm
	June 24	COW Regular Session	TBA 6:00 pm		Dec 23	Holiday Season	
					Dec 30		

Note: COW - Committee of the Whole Meetings every second & fourth Tuesday of the month as required.