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# Item No. 3

Halifax Regional Council Committee of the Whole May 27, 2008

SUBJECT:	Community Facility Master Plan
DATE:	May 21, 2008
SUBMITTED BY:	John Lindsay Jr, Chair Community Facility Master Plan Steering Committee
	(Original Signed)
TO:	Mayor Kelly and Members of Halifax Regional Council

#### **ORIGIN**

May 8,2008 - the Community Facility Master Plan Steering Committee, the consultants, and staff, met to review and approve the final draft of the Community Facility Master Plan.

## RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that Regional Council approve in principle the Community Facility Master Plan.

### **BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION**

The Community Facility Master Plan is a strategic approach to enhancing the quality of life of citizens through the provision of sustainable, planned, accessible and appropriate community facilities.

The CFMP is integrated with the significant planning documents of the region and is reflective of the economic, social entrepreneurial, and participation benefits necessary for citizens to be engaged in "living" communities.

The sustainability of facilities is a critical factor in the planning and development of new infrastructure, and is a necessary decision making factor in the rehabilitation or decommissioning of existing facilities. The CFMP supports the guiding principles developed in the 2004 Indoor Recreation Facility Master Plan and has additionally developed seven more. Together, if approved by Council, these guiding principles will guide decision making relative to Community Facility development well into the future.

As Chair of this Steering Committee, I am pleased to present this final report to Council, on time and on budget.

Thank you to my fellow Steering Committee members, staff and consultants who worked so hard together on this exciting project.

I personally look forward to our Presentation to Council on May 27, 2008.

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

Community Facility Master Plan

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