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Halifax Regional Council May 12, 2009

TO:

Mayor Kelly and Members of Halifax Regional Council

SUBMITTED BY:

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DATE: May 1, 2009

SUBJECT: Funding - Sackville Landing Boardwalk

ORIGIN

HRM staff have identified the Sackville Landing site as in need of refurbishment in preparation for the upcoming Tall Ships Festival being held in July.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that Regional Council:

1) Approve an increase to the gross capital budget to provide for the capital repair costs to one of the major pedestrian thoroughfares within the Sackville Landing site, and

2) Approve the transfer of \$100,000.00 from CRESSPOOL AND CAPPOOL to fund the project as per the budget implications of this report.

BACKGROUND

The Halifax waterfront is the host site for the Tall Ships Nova Scotia Festival 2009, being held July 16 - August 1 and the Municipally owned Sackville Landing waterfront site is in need of repair in advance of this major event.

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In consultation with HRM Operations, HRM Real Property Planning, and the Waterfront Development Corporation the refurbishment of Sackville Landing has been identified as both a priority within the Capital District as well as a project that will help to promote successful collaborations of mutual benefit. Determined a necessary capital improvement, this initiative also constitutes the first phase of future plans to refurbish the Sackville Landing site as a whole.

The area within the site to receive this upgrade is illustrated in Attachment A: Sackville Landing boardwalk.

DISCUSSION

To date there are no funds allocated to this project. In order to facilitate completion of the boardwalk in advance of the Tall Ships Festival in July it has been agreed that the WDCs contribution to the project will be the cost of design, engineering, tendering, and project management for the purpose of implementing the Sackville Landing Boardwalk project including input from and periodic site inspections by the Municipality. To ensure the timely delivery of this necessary improvement, the WDC is preparing detailed design drawings and specifications for Tender to close on or around May 20th, 2009. This capital improvement is to be undertaken immediately in order for to the work be complete by end of June 2009.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

Funds in the amount of \$63,702 are available in CAPPOOL and funds in the amount of \$36,298 are available in CRESSPOOL, for a total funding source for this project of \$100,000.

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT POLICIES / BUSINESS PLAN

This report complies with the Municipality's Multi-Year Financial Strategy, the approved Operating and Reserve budgets, policies and procedures regarding withdrawals from the utilization of Capital and Operating reserves, as well as any relevant legislation. If approved this project will increase the Gross Capital budget and will decrease the available funding from CAPPOOL AND CRESSPOOL for other projects.

ALTERNATIVES

There are many alternatives to this proposal but staff are recommending this work be supported by HRM and completed as soon as possible.

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A: Sackville Landing boardwalk sketch plan and photos of existing surfacing illustrating the area to be resurfaced as boardwalk.

A copy of this report can be obtained online at <u>http://www.halifax.ca/council/agendasc/cagenda.html</u> 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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