

PO Box 1749 Halifax, Nova Scotia B3J 3A5 Canada

Item No. 11.1.4

Halifax Regional Council December 8, 2009

TO:

Members of Halifax Regional Council

SUBMITTED BY:

Peter J. Kelly, Mayor - Halifax Regional Municipality

DATE:

December 3, 2009

SUBJECT:

2010 Regional Council Meeting Schedule

## **ORIGIN**

It has been the practice for Regional Council to adopt a schedule outlining meetings of Regional Council for the forthcoming year. The proposed meeting schedule for 2010 is now before Council for consideration.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that Regional Council approve the 2010 Regional Council Meeting Schedule as shown in the attachment to this report.

## BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION

In accordance with Administrative Order Number One, Section 8 (2), regular Council sessions are held every Tuesday commencing at 6:00 pm. The attached schedule proposes that Council sessions for 2010 begin on January 12<sup>th</sup>. The schedule reflects March 16<sup>th</sup> as March break. Council's summer recess will consist of July 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup>, August 24<sup>th</sup>, 31<sup>st</sup> and September 7<sup>th</sup>. There will be a break on May 25<sup>th</sup> to coincide with the Victoria Day holiday weekend and October 12<sup>th</sup> for Thanksgiving. December 21<sup>st</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> and have been proposed as the break for the Holiday Season.

In addition to the above dates, June 1<sup>st</sup> and October 26<sup>th</sup> have also been proposed as Council breaks in order to allow Members of Council to attend the FCM and UNSM conferences respectively.

#### 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**

The proposed schedule is in keeping with past practice with respect to Council breaks based on input provided by Members of Council. Council at their discretion may revise the proposed schedule.

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

Halifax Regional Council Meeting Schedule January to December 2010.

A copy of this report can be obtained online at <a href="http://www.halifax.ca/council/agendasc/cagenda.html">http://www.halifax.ca/council/agendasc/cagenda.html</a> then choose the appropriate meeting date, or by contacting the Office of the Municipal Clerk at 490-4210, or Fax 490-4208.

Report Prepared by:

Christen MacDonald, Coordinator, Office of the Municipal Clerk, 490-6525

# 2010 HALIFAX REGIONAL COUNCIL SCHEDULE

Монтн	DATE	MEETING	TIME	Монтн	DATE	MEETING	Тіме
January	Jan 5	No Regularly Scheduled Meeting		July	July 6	Regular Session	6:00 p.m.
	Jan 12	COW Regular Session	TBA 6:00 p.m.		July 13	No Regularly Scheduled Meetings	
	Jan 19	Regular Session	6:00 p.m.		July 20		
	Jan 26	COW Regular Session	TBA 6:00 p.m.		July 27		
February	Feb 2	Regular Session	6:00 p.m.	August	Aug 3	Regular Session	6:00 p.m.
	Feb 9	COW Regular Session	TBA 6:00 p.m.		Aug 10	COW Regular Session	TBA 6:00 p.m.
	Feb 16	Regular Session	6:00 p.m.		Aug 17	Regular Session	6:00 p.m.
	Feb 23	COW Regular Session	TBA 6:00 p.m.		Aug 24	No Regularly Scheduled Meetings	
March	March 2	Regular Session	6:00 p.m.		Aug 31		
	March 9	COW Regular Session	TBA 6:00 p.m.	September	Sept 7		
	March 16	No Meeting (March Break)			Sept 14	COW Regular Session	TBA 6:00 p.m.
	March 23	COW Regular Session	TBA 6:00 p.m.		Sept 21	Regular Session	6:00 p.m.
	March 30	Regular Session	6:00 p.m.		Sept 28	COW Regular Session	TBA 6:00 p.m.
April	April 6	Regular Session	6:00 p.m.	October	Oct 5	Regular Session	6:00 p.m.
	April 13	COW Regular Session	TBA 6:00 p.m.	·	Oct 12	No Meeting (Thanksgiving)	
	April 20	Regular Session	6:00 p.m.		Oct 19	Regular Session	6:00 p.m.
	April 27	COW Regular Session	TBA 6:00 p.m.		Oct 26	No Meeting (UNSM Cape Breton)	
May	May 4	Regular Session	6:00 p.m.	November	Nov 2	Regular Session	6:00 p.m.
	May 11	COW Regular Session	TBA 6:00 p.m.		Nov 9	COW Regular Session	TBA 6:00 p.m.
	May 18	Regular Session	6:00 p.m.		Nov 16	Regular Session	6:00 p.m.
	May 25	No Meeting (Victoria Day)			Nov 23	COW Regular Session	TBA 6:00 p.m.
June	June 1	No Meeting (FCM - Toronto)			Nov 30	Regular Session	6:00 p.m.
	June 8	COW Regular Session	TBA 6:00 p.m.	December	Dec 7	Regular Session	6:00 p.m.
	June 15	Regular Session	6:00 p.m.		Dec 14	COW Regular Session	TBA 6:00 p.m.
	June 22	COW Regular Session	TBA 6:00 p.m.		Dec 21	Holiday Season	
	June 29	Regular Session	6:00 p.m.		Dec 28		

**Note:** Committee of the Whole meetings every second & fourth Tuesday of the month or on an as required basis. Where appropriate, Regional Council may be scheduled immediately following Committee of the Whole meetings.