
COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

At this point, Regional Council is being asked to initiate a process to consider the amendments being sought by the YMCA. If Council agrees to this, staff will undertake a comprehensive review of the issues associated with the application. We will also consult with the public and other stakeholders, through a public information meeting and other means, following which we will submit a report and recommendation to Council. Depending upon the exact nature of the amendments, the Design Review Committee and the Regional Plan Committee will also be asked to consider this matter and to make a recommendation to Council. With this information, if Council wishes to consider adopting amendments, it will need to hold a public hearing.

ALTERNATIVES

1. Council may choose to initiate the application from the YMCA, which is the recommended alternative for the reasons outlined in this report.
2. Council may choose not to initiate the application from the YMCA, which would retain the existing maximum permitted height allowance on the CBC site. Refusing to initiate the application is not recommended as there is merit to the YMCA proposal that warrants further detailed review and public consultation.

ATTACHMENTS

Map 1 Location and Maximum Post-bonus Heights
Attachment A Selected Images of the Proposed YMCA Development

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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