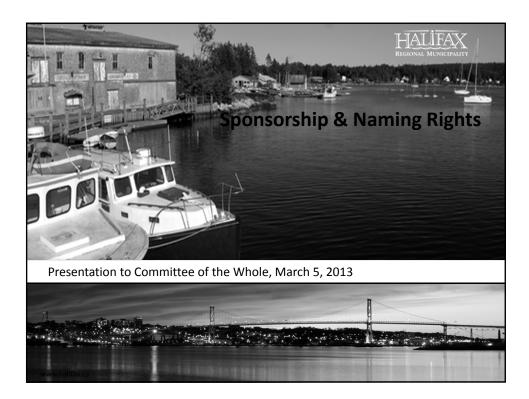
Re: Item No. 3





# Origin:

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November 22, 2011: Staff return to Council in the next fiscal year with a recommendation on an approach to a sponsorship policy in general

December 6, 2011: Staff report to develop a policy on accepting funds from alcohol companies for HRM sponsored events and facilities to be completed in time for the 12/13 budget discussions



#### **BACKGROUND**

- Staff drafted two Administrative Orders (AOs) to govern Sponsorship & Naming for Audit & Finance, May 16, 2012
- Audit & Finance recommended Regional Council give first reading to consider approval of both AOs with the following amendment, "Alcohol sponsorships must contain a responsible drinking component".

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## **Sponsorship & Naming Rights**

#### **Definition of terms:**

Sponsorship: commercial relationship in which a company pays a fee in return for advertising with an event or program

Naming Rights: company purchases the right to name/rename an HRM asset or parts thereof



### **General Principles:**

- Maintain HRM's independent oversight of program/service delivery & uphold HRM's role as public steward
- 2. Ensure preferential treatment or conflict of interest does not occur
- 3. Ensure fair market value

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### **Sponsorship & Naming Rights**

Best Practice Research: coast to coast search for existing policy. Those cities found to have a sponsorship and/or naming policies included:

Moncton Edmonton
Kingston Calgary
Ottawa Vancouver

London



### **Approval & Authorization**

#### **NAMING RIGHTS:**

Regional Council approve all naming rights agreements

#### **SPONSORSHIP:**

\$0-25,000 Divisional Manager \$25,001 - \$50,000 BU Director \$50,001 - \$100,000 DCAO/CAO

\$100,001 + Council

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## **Sponsorship & Naming Rights**

### **Benchmarking - Alcohol Sponsorship**

- The policies reviewed from across Canada, did not include reference specifically preventing sponsorship from alcohol companies
- Reference was made to the sponsor being compatible with city values and target audience, allowing flexible decision making on a case by case basis



- Research did find Municipal Alcohol policies which addressed citizens/organizations wanting to rent city owned property for events and activities
- Policy described what the property users should to do to prevent dangerous situations involving alcohol and tips to promote low risk drinking

(ie: City of Toronto's Municipal Alcohol Policy)

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## **Sponsorship & Naming Rights**

Capital Health Municipal Alcohol Policies: Options for NS Municipalities February 19, 2013

"Municipalities can control the kind of advertising and sponsorship they permit on Municipally owned properties and at events sponsored by Municipalities"



#### **Recommendations:**

As per Audit and Finance's motions - May 16, 2012, Council:

- 1. Approve proposed Admin Order 55, Sponsorship, as outlined in the March 16, 2012 staff report with the following amendment: "Alcohol sponsorships must contain a responsible drinking component"; to become effective 120 days from the date of approval
- 2. Approve proposed Admin Order 56, Naming Rights, as outlined in the March 16, 2012 staff report, to become effective 120 days from the date of approval.

Council may consider developing a separate Municipal Alcohol Policy