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Halifax Regional Council  
March 19, 2002

**TO:** Mayor Kelly and Members of Halifax Regional Council

**SUBMITTED BY:**



Kulvinder Dhillon, P.Eng., Director, Public Works and Transportation

**DATE:** March 14, 2002

**SUBJECT:** Engineering Design - Herring Cove Water and Sewer Services

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## INFORMATION REPORT

### ORIGIN

Halifax Regional Council meeting held on December 18, 2001, Item 8.6, Councillor Adams - Herring Cove Water and Sewer Design.

### BACKGROUND

At the December 18, 2001 Halifax Regional Council meeting, Council approved a motion put forward by Councillor Steve Adams for staff to proceed with the preparation of the necessary tender documents for the design of municipal water and sewer services for Herring Cove pending successful resolution of land issues. This report is in response to that motion.

**DISCUSSION**

Following the Council meeting of December 18, 2001, staff of Public Works and Transportation Services and the Halifax Regional Water Commission met and implemented the preparation of the necessary RFP for the necessary engineering design work associated with water and sewer services for the Herring Cove area. That document is now completed and ready to be issued pending the resolution of the land issue. Staff had earlier estimated a cost of \$300,000. to \$350,000. for this engineering design work.

In regards to the status of the land issue, staff advises that negotiations are still proceeding and technical work is being undertaken on the site under consideration. Once this work has been completed, staff will either negotiate a settlement for the acquisition of the land or seek expropriation, after which the RFP for engineering design services can proceed in accordance with the Council motion of December 18, 2001. Having the site identified for the area treatment plant is seen as integral to the design of the area services.

**BUDGET IMPLICATIONS**

There are no budget implications at this time.

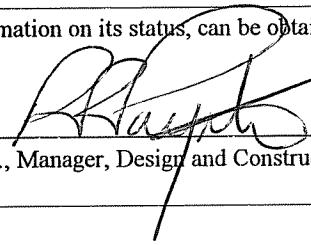
**FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT POLICIES/BUSINESS PLAN**

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**

There are no recommended alternatives.

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