



Executive Panel on Housing in HRM Minutes

June 29, 2023

Present:

Fred Crooks, Jarrod Baboushkin, Peter Duncan, Leanne Hachey, Kathy Cox-Brown, Christina Lovitt, and Sacha Rutledge.

Regrets: Vicki Elliott-Lopez, Kelly Denty, Paula Sibley-Fox, and Debbie Brown

Agenda Items

1. Welcome & Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 1:03 pm.

2. Approval of Minutes

2.1 It was noted that minutes were circulated electronically for feedback. The June 15, 2023, minutes were approved.

Motion: Jarrod Baboushkin

Second: Peter Duncan

Carried: Chair, Fred Crooks

VOTE: Aye (3) Nay (0) Abstain (0)

2.2 Next steps - June 15, 2023, minutes will be posted on the Executive Panel Website.

3. Update - Special Planning Areas

3.1 Bedford West 1 and 12

3.1.1 Presentation by Erin MacIntyre, Director of Development Services at the Halifax Regional Municipality (HRM) which included:

- Proposed amendments to the Bedford Land Use By-laws,
- Bedford West 1 and 12 Proposed Development Agreement related to the Bedford West Area 1, and
- HRM Staff Assessment on amendments and development agreement.

3.1.2 Panel discussed the following items: Purpose of the amendment and agreement, timing, and environmental considerations.

3.1.3 Motion on Proposed Amendments

The Panel recommends the approval of the amendments to the Bedford Land Use By-laws as set out in HRM Staff Memo Attachment "A" dated June 19, 2023.

Motion: Jarrod Baboushkin

Second: Peter Duncan

Carried: Chair, Fred Crooks

VOTE: Aye (2) Nay (0) Abstain (0)



3.1.4 Motion on Proposed Interim Development Agreement

The Panel recommends the approval of the Bedford West 1 and 12 Special Planning Development Agreement as set out in the HRM Staff Memo Attachment "B" dated June 19, 2023, or in a substantially similar form.

Motion: Jarrod Baboushkin

Second: Peter Duncan

Carried: Chair, Fred Crooks

VOTE: Aye (2) Nay (0) Abstain (0)

3.1.5 Next steps -Panel's recommendations will be presented to the Minister for consideration.

3.2 Sandy Lake Special Planning Area: The progress of Sandy Lake Special Planning Area was discussed. The outstanding studies remain on schedule to be completed by fall 2023.

4. Round Table Updates:

4.1 The Panel will send a letter to Kelly Denty recognizing and thanking her for the significant and valuable contributions she has made to the Panel's work and accomplishments.

5. Future Meetings

5.1 July 13, 2023 – Kate Green – Director of Regional & Community Planning, HRM - Updates on the Regional Plan and Housing Accelerator Fund application.

5.2 July 13, 2023 - Tanya Davis, Senior Director, and Mark Peck CEO, JRTA – Update on JRTA planning and Transit Corridors.

5.3 September 7, 2023 – Dept EECD, HRCE – Update on Capital/Infrastructure Planning

6. Adjournment

- Meeting adjourned 1:52 pm