

# **DRAFT Executive Panel on Housing in HRM Minutes**

January 18, 2024

#### Present:

Vicki Elliott-Lopez; Jarrod Baboushkin, Peter Duncan, Erin MacIntyre, Kristin O'Toole Scott, Paula Sibley-Fox, Tanya Davis, Mark Peachey, Kathy Cox-Brown, and Ellen Kelly.

# Agenda Items

#### 1.1 Welcome & Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 1:05 pm.

## 1.2 Approval of Agenda

The January 18, 2024, agenda was approved.

Motion: Jarrod Baboushkin

Second: Kristen O'Toole Scott

Carried: Chair, Vicki Elliott-Lopez

VOTE: Aye (5) Nay (0) Abstain (0)

Next steps – January 18, 2024, agenda will be posted on the Executive Panel Website.

### 1.3 Approval of Minutes

It was noted that minutes were circulated electronically for feedback. The November 30, 2023, minutes were approved.

Motion: Peter Duncan

Second: Erin MacIntyre

Carried: Chair, Vicki Elliott-Lopez VOTE: Aye (5) Nay (0) Abstain (0)

**Next steps** – November 30, 2023, minutes will be posted on the Executive Panel Website.

## 2 Introduction of New Ex-Officio/Secretariat Members

Two new ex-officio members were introduced: Mark Peachey, Chief Engineer with Nova Scotia Department of Public Works, and Tanya Davis, Vice-President with the Joint Regional Transportation Agency. Paula Sibley-Fox will continue to provide communication support.

Ellen Kelly, Project Executive with Department of Municipal Affairs and Housing was introduced as a new secretariat member.



## 3 Panel Meeting Structure Moving Forward

- Moving forward, the Executive Panel will continue to meet every second Thursday.
- Following Panel meetings, Executive Panel members will also have working sessions to organize operational tasks related to the work of the Panel.

# 4 Special Planning Area- Status Update

- 4.1 Dartmouth Crossing Special Planning Area
  - Draft Development Agreement in progress, being adjusted to reflect public feedback.
  - Traffic analysis expected to be complete in 5-6 weeks.
- 4.2 Southdale Mount Hope Special Planning Area
  - Working on draft development agreement
  - Expect memo to Panel Spring 2024.
- 4.3 Bedford West 10 Subarea 2 Special Planning Area
  - Working with the Universal Realty Group on their portion of lands.
  - Expect memo to Panel Feb- March 2024.
- 4.4 Port Wallace Special Planning Area
  - Progressing: Infrastructure planning underway with developer and Halifax Water.
- 4.5 Sandy Lake Special Planning Area
  - Currently reviewing Stantec's interim report, and
  - HRM will present on interim report results at a future meeting.

#### 5 Review Panel Priorities

The Panel's agreed upon priorities for the next 6 months:

- 1. Progress work in the existing Special Planning Areas,
- 2. Identify future strategy related to Special Planning Areas,
- 3. Work to implement Deloitte Report recommendations and identify other key policy areas of focus, and
- 4. Establish the required membership/governance structure for Panel to support core priorities.

### 6 Round Table

Deferred to next meeting.

#### 7 Next Meeting

Next meeting is scheduled for February 1, 2024

**Adjournment** Meeting Adjourned at 1:59 pm.