

NOTICE OF MEETING AND MEETING AGENDA

Municipality of the County of Kings

Thursday, July 4, 2024 - 6:00 p.m.

Videoconference

~ AGENDA ~

1. Call to Order of Joint Meeting
2. Approval of Joint Meeting Agenda Page 1
3. Request for Decision: Amending Agreement Interim Valley Waste and Kings Transit IMSA Page 2
4. Call to Order of Individual Councils (alphabetically)
5. Approval of Agenda of Individual Councils
6. Disclosure of Conflict of Interest Issues
7. Resolution of Individual Councils: Amending Agreement Interim Valley Waste and Kings Transit IMSA
8. Comments from the Public
9. Adjournment

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| TO | Municipal Council |
| PREPARED BY | Scott Conrod, CAO |
| MEETING DATE | July 4, 2024 |
| SUBJECT | Amending Agreement Interim Valley Waste and Kings Transit IMSA |

ORIGIN

- June 19, 2024 Interim IMSA Board of Directors Motion
- June 17, 2024 Virtual Meeting of CAOs

RECOMMENDATION

That Council authorize the execution of an Amending Agreement to the 2021 Valley Region Solid Waste-Resource Management Authority and the Kings Transit Authority Interim Intermunicipal Service Agreement as detailed in the related July 4, 2024 Request for Decision.

INTENT

For Council to authorize the execution of an Amending Agreement to extend the Term of the 2021 Valley Region Solid Waste-Resource Management Authority and Kings Transit Authority Intermunicipal Service Agreement (IMSA) and to add the Municipality of the District of Digby to the Interim Agreement.

DISCUSSION

In 2021 the seven municipal units in Kings and Annapolis Counties executed an Interim IMSA with a twenty-four-month term which expires on July 12, 2024. This IMSA was established to engage and manage the resources associated with analyzing and generating recommendations surrounding transformational change in Valley Waste and Kings Transit (among other aspects, Extended Producer Responsibility in Valley Waste and the electrification funding provided to Kings Transit under a Federal Provincial Bi-lateral funding agreement).

The 2021 IMSA has Board decision-making (governance) detailed in two separate components: pilot undertakings, and regular business related to operational matters. Because not all municipal units are currently owners of both municipal corporations, all Participating Units to the Interim IMSA can vote on pilot related activities (such as the engagement of consultants and deliverable recommendations) but voting on operational matters is limited to the present-day owners. Because the Municipality of the District of Digby is presently not an owner of either of the municipal corporations they were not included as a signatory to the original Interim IMSA. The District of Digby did however contribute to the cost of the pilot activities.

Provision 32 of the 2021 Interim IMSA allows an extension of the Term by unanimous resolution of the Participating Units.

On June 19, 2024, the Board of the Directors of the Interim IMSA resolved to recommend to the respective Councils that the Term of the Interim IMSA be extended to June 30, 2025. The extension is being requested to enable the completion of deliverables set out in the Interim IMSA for consideration by the Board and ultimately the Participating Units including:

- Governance, e.g., ownership parties, service agreement partners

Request for Decision

- Administration including corporate structure
- Service Delivery including transit routing; and
- Capital Investment Planning including asset acquisition options, smoothing of costs, etc.

While much progress has been made to date, the Interim IMSA Board believes that the extension will provide the time required to complete and table recommendations related to the electrification of the Kings Transit Fleet, updated bus routes, and among others, finalization of the work in progress around proposed approaches in the sharing of net municipal costs.

After the Board of Directors meeting, contracted Managers of the IMSA and the CAOs of Kings and Wolfville corresponded on next steps. As part of those discussions, it was decided to further recommend to the Participating Units that the Municipality of the District of Digby be formally included in the Interim IMSA Amending Agreement.

It is being recommended that the Participating Units to the 2021 Interim IMSA and the Municipality of the District of Digby each pass motions to enter into an Amending Agreement to extend the Term of the Interim IMSA and to add the Municipality of the District of Digby as a Participating Unit. The Amending Agreement would permit the Municipality of the District of Digby to vote at the Board of Directors on pilot related matters relative to Kings Transit.

The Councils of the eight municipal units will be meeting jointly on July 4th to review this Request for Decision and to individually consider resolutions on the adoption of an Amending Agreement.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- No financial implications related to the Amending Agreement

ALTERNATIVES

- Alter the proposed extension date

IMPLEMENTATION

- Circulate the Amending Agreement for signature in counterpart
- Circulate fully executed Agreement to the Parties

ENGAGEMENT

- Components of the Kings Transit study work has included public engagement
- Pilot recommendations are intended to be vetted by the Interim IMSA Board and then the Councils of the Participating Units

APPENDICES

- None