



Subject: *Municipal Standards Update*
To: Executive Committee
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Related Motions: C20(163), C21(58), C22(269), I023(19), C23(334) & C23(335)
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Summary

The Municipal Standards for water, wastewater and transportation were updated in October, 2023. Council was advised at that time that these standards would be reviewed on a regular basis and amended/revised as necessary. Staff have completed a recent review of the standards with a focus on further continuous improvement. This report presents recommended revisions to several sections of the document which are listed within the attached “Municipal Standards Review Notes (2024-2025)”.

Financial Impact Statement

There is no financial impact associated with these recommended revisions. The standards apply to new subdivisions built by developers.

Recommendation

To approve the proposed revisions to the *Municipal Standards*.

Recommended Motion

Move that the Infrastructure & Operations Committee recommends to Council that Council approves the revisions to the Municipal Standards as attached to the Executive Committee agenda of July 15, 2025.

Background

The Municipal Standards were first established in 1999 to provide uniformity in subdivision development in East Hants. Changes in industry practice require the Standards to be updated to reflect current practice and to provide more sustainable infrastructure. The Standards were last updated in October, 2023.

Alternatives

To continue using the 2023 version of the standards when reviewing Engineering designs.

Conclusion

Incorporating the proposed revisions to the Municipal Standards will result in the design of more sustainable infrastructure.

Attachments

Please see attached, Municipal Standards Review Notes (2024-2025).