

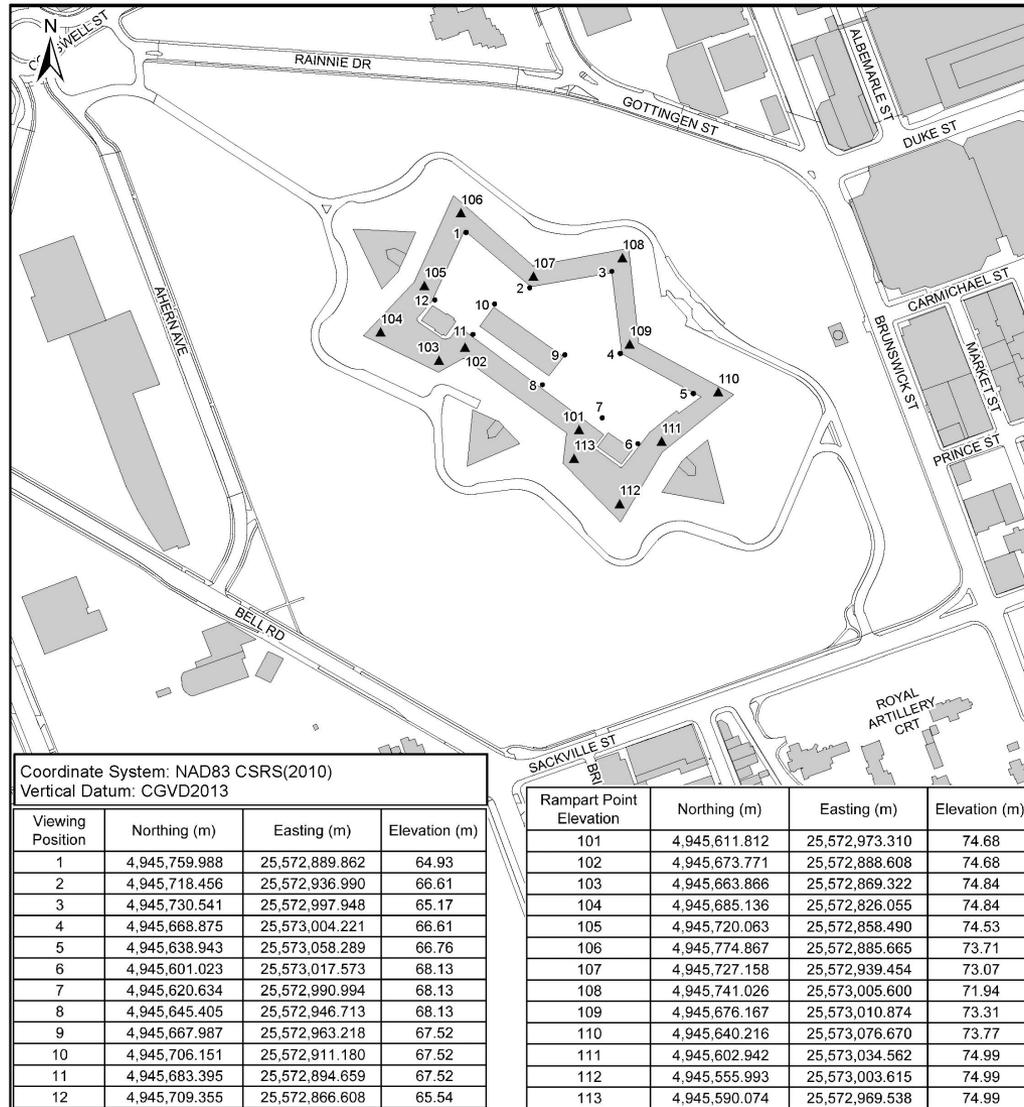
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## Public Hearing for Case 22990

Housekeeping Amendments to the Regional  
Centre Land Use By-law Regarding Halifax  
Citadel Rampart Regulations

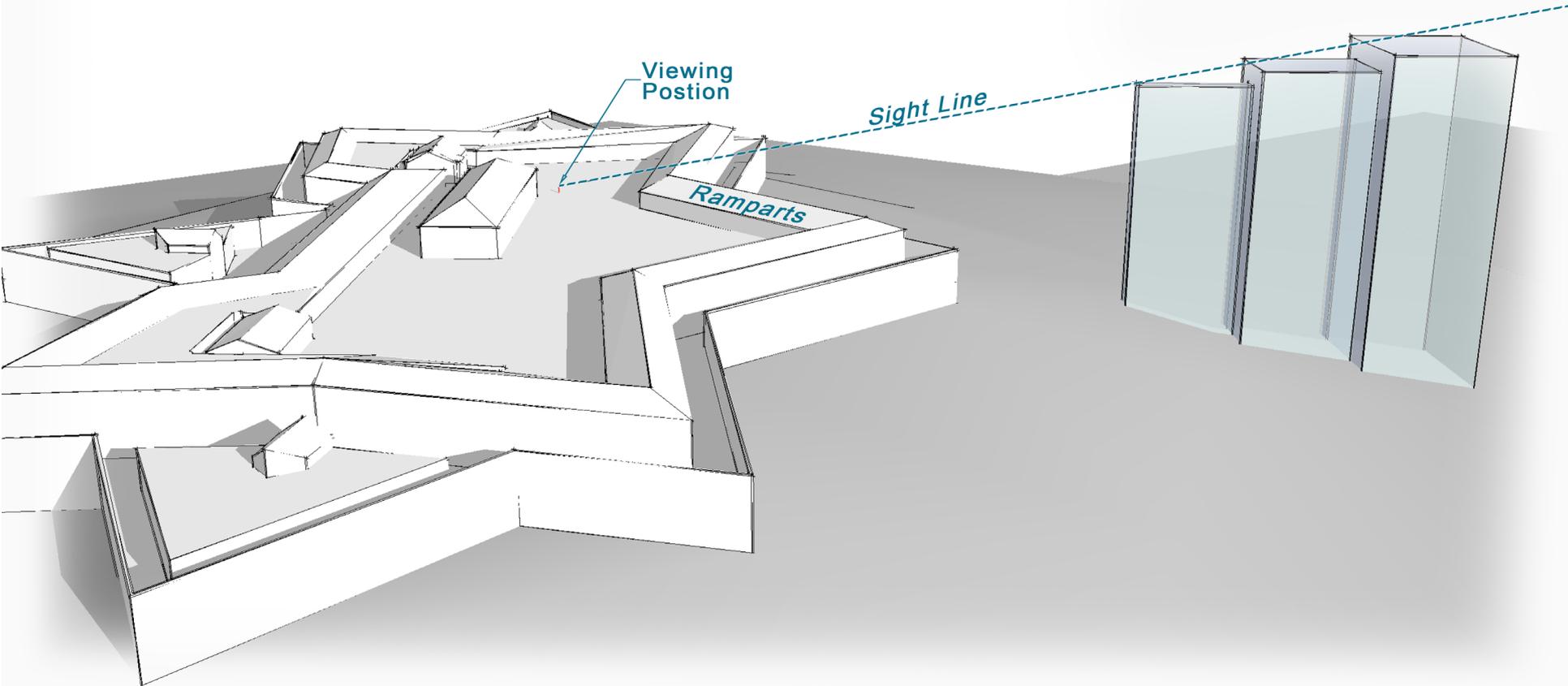
Regional Centre Community Council  
September 23, 2020

# Halifax Citadel Rampart Regulations



- Introduced in 1985
- 12 viewing positions inside Citadel Parade Square
- 360-degree protection of sight lines atop the rampart walls
- Doesn't permit new protrusions atop the sight lines by buildings or structures located outside the Halifax Citadel

# Schematic Representation

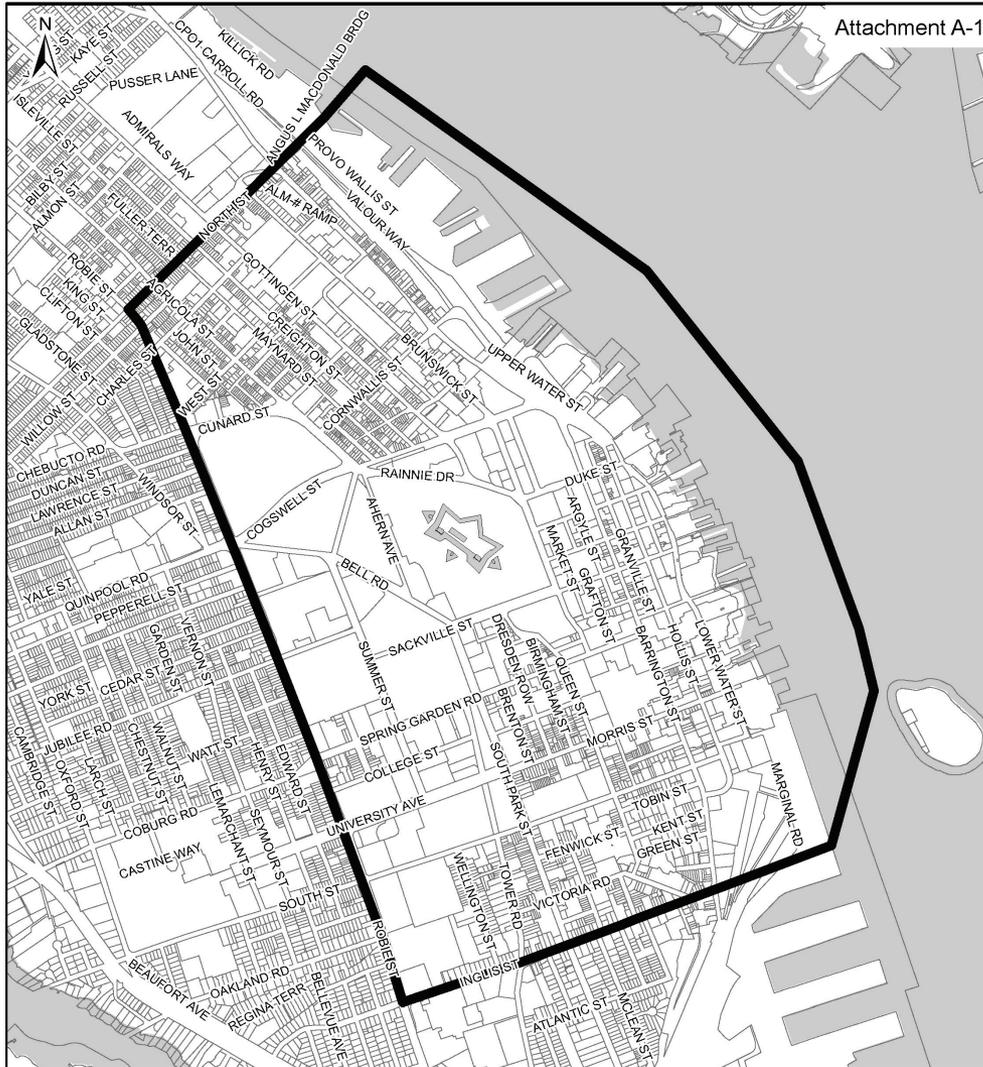


# Reasons for Amendments

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- The area where the Halifax Citadel rampart regulations previously applied under the Halifax Peninsula Land Use By-law was inadvertently not carried forward in the Regional Centre Land Use By-law (LUB)
- Previously limited to only the area contained within the boundaries of Inglis Street, Robie Street, North Street, and the Halifax Harbour
- Under the adopted Regional Centre LUB, rampart regulations apply to all land contained within Package A of the Centre Plan

# Previous Area of Applicability



Inglis Street/Robie Street/North Street/Halifax Harbour

# Proposed By-law Amendments

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The proposed amendments to the Regional Centre LUB would:

1. Re-introduce a geographic limitation on the applicability of the Halifax Citadel rampart regulations that existed prior to November 30, 2019; and
2. Provide additional clarity to the interpretation of the rampart regulations regarding the presence of structures, signs, or other objects within the Parade Square of the Halifax Citadel.

# Policy Consideration

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## 4.2.1 HISTORIC VIEW PLANES AND RAMPARTS

A series of view planes, ramparts and public views have been established in previous planning documents to preserve iconic views of Halifax Harbour, and they continue to be highly valued. View planes and ramparts are meant to ensure that residents and visitors to our region can continue to enjoy unobstructed views of the Halifax Harbour from important public vantage points, and maintain or recreate a sensitive and complementary setting for the Halifax Citadel National Historic Site by controlling the height of new development in its vicinity to reflect the historic and traditional scale of development. Some of the view planes originating from the Halifax Citadel were identified to preserve important historic military visual connections, such as views to George's Island. There are five view planes originating on the Dartmouth Common, and ten originating from the Halifax Citadel.

(emphasis added by author)

# Public Engagement Feedback

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- Level of engagement was limited to providing information and seeking comments through the HRM website
- The area of application has also been incorporated in the draft Centre Plan Package B which was released for public consultation in February of 2020
- No feedback was received to date from the community



# Staff Recommendation

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Staff recommend that Regional Centre Community Council:

1. Give First Reading to consider approval of the proposed amendments to the Regional Centre Land Use By-law, as set out in Attachment A, to clarify the applicability of the Halifax Citadel rampart regulations and schedule a public hearing.
2. Adopt the amendments to the Regional Centre Land Use By-law, as set out in Attachment A.

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**Thank You**