Upcoming Spring Garden Area Street Changes

Birmingham Street and Dresden Row Changing to **one-way** (between Clyde Street and Artillery Place)

The following changes are coming:

- **Birmingham Street** (between Spring Garden Road and Artillery Place), which currently has two-way traffic, will change to one-way southbound.
- **Dresden Row** (between Clyde Street and Artillery Place), which currently has two-way traffic, will change to one-way northbound.

When will these changes happen?

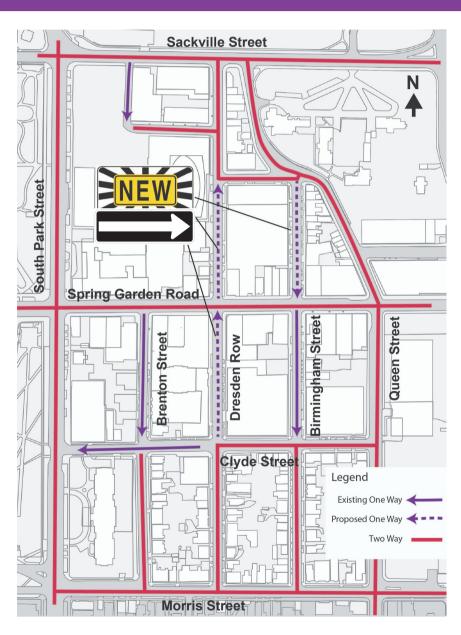
The one-way street changes and intersection improvements will be installed **the week of November 23, 2020**. Look for new signage and pavement markings that communicate the changes and plan your new route accordingly.

Why are these changes being made?

These changes are being made to improve vehicle movement in the area and provide more curbside loading and parking opportunities, including accessible parking.

Currently, when vehicles are stopped on both sides of these narrow streets, two-way traffic flow can be challenging. Demand for curbside access for on-street parking and loading is high in the area, and the current two-way configuration limits opportunities to accommodate these demands.

The changes were recommended as part of a transportation analysis that was completed in conjunction with the planned streetscaping project on Spring Garden Road. Engagement with local businesses and residents indicated broad support for these changes, and they were approved by Halifax Regional Council in 2019.



Spring Garden Road Streetscape project

This project, planned for construction in 2021, will create wide generous sidewalks and greatly improve the pedestrian experience on Spring Garden Road. The changes to Spring Garden Road will make it even more important that options for curbside deliveries, taxi pick-up / drop-off, and accessible on-street parking exist on area side streets.

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Intersection Improvements at Artillery Place – Queen Street – Birmingham Street

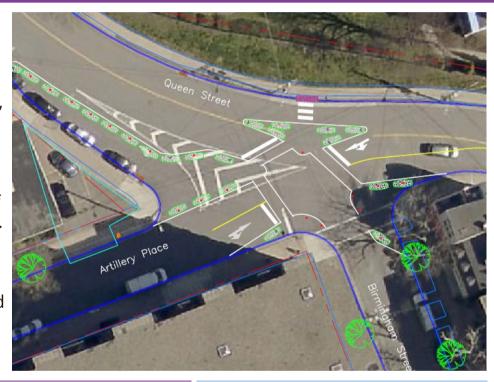
Improvements are coming to the irregular intersection of Artillery Place, Queen Street, and Birmingham Street. These changes will:

- Improve approach angles to be more predictable and slow traffic before turns
- Reduce the width of pedestrian crossings
- Identify locations where asphalt could be swapped for greenspace in the future, without any loss of on-street parking

These changes will be made using temporary materials (posts, paint, curbs, and planters), which will allow for monitoring and evaluation of their effectiveness and enable modification, as necessary.

This and similar projects are being completed at several locations throughout the municipality as part of our Street Improvement Pilot Projects.

They help demonstrate how extra asphalt in the roadway can be converted to the pedestrian realm and used for things like pedestrian amenities in the summer and snow storage in the winter.



Learn more:

Street Improvement Pilot Projects: halifax.ca/street-improvement

Spring Garden Road Enhancements:

shapeyourcityhalifax.ca/spring-garden-road-enhancements

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