

DEAR RESIDENTS OF FAIRVIEW, CLAYTON PARK AND ROCKINGHAM,

It was an honour to be elected as Councillor for District 10. I am excited to represent our diverse and growing district. I believe the next four years will be important ones in District 10 and will set a significant direction for the future.

It's a dynamic time in HRM, as the municipality continues to attract new residents in spite of the pandemic. As our response to Covid-19 shows, we are more than willing to work together for the greater good. Let's continue to connect, engage and make our neighbourhoods and city even more attractive places to live. I invite you to sign up for my e-newsletter or follow me on Facebook to find out more about what's happening on HRM Council and in District 10. I look forward to meeting and working with you.

Kathryn Morse

February 2021

CURRENTLY SERVING ON:

- Regional Council
- Halifax and West Community Council
- Audit and Finance Standing Committee
- Environment and Sustainability Standing Committee – Vice Chair
- Executive Standing Committee
- Community Design Advisory Committee
- Canada Games Centre Board
- Centennial Arena Board
- Halifax Chain of Lakes Trails

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NEW OUTDOOR RINK IN ROCKINGHAM

Congratulations to Alesha MacIntyre and her dedicated crew of volunteers in Rockingham. After months of work, they have revived a tradition by getting an outdoor rink at DJ Butler Park up and running again. It's a wonderful neighbourhood project that I was pleased to support through my District Activity Fund. Councillors' district funds provide small grants for local inititives to non-profit organizations and registered charities. I welcome your project ideas!



I have recently supported the following organizations:

- Duc d'Anville School
- Rockingham Recreation Society
- Centennial Arena
- Fairview Community Gardens
- Fairview Community Association



HAVE YOUR SAY

HRM is inviting residents to participate in two surveys to inform park planning projects at Kearney Lake and Bedford West.

Blue Mountain Birch Cove Lakes Trailhead

The municipality is launching a survey regarding the development and potential impact of a future trailhead in Bedford West. This trailhead would provide access to the municipally-owned lands surrounding Hobsons Lake and Blue Mountain Birch Cove Lake Wilderness area.

Information gathered through this survey will be incorporated into a report to Regional Council. Visit <u>Halifax.ca/westbedfordtrailhead</u> to learn more.

Bedford West Park Planning

Tell us about the park facilities that are important to you and your family as the municipality develops a plan for Kearney Lake and Bedford West.

Visit <u>Halifax.ca/bedfordwest</u> to learn more and to take the survey.

Both surveys will be open until March 5, 2021. Thank you in advance for your participation.





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Community Grants Program 2021–2022 A Guide to Different Types of Community Grants, Eligibility Criteria and How to Apply

Application Form included in the centre of this quide

The 2021 Community Grants Program is

accepting applications! The deadline to apply is March 31, 2021. The Program provides annual cash grants to registered non-profit organizations and charities located throughout the Halifax region.

There are two types of grants:

- project grant of up to \$5,000
- capital grant of up to \$25,000

More details online here

GET ON THE LIST!

If you'd like to receive my e-newsletter and keep up to date with District 10 and council news, please email Stephanie Brown, my Council Constituentcy Coordinator at <u>browns@halifax.ca</u>

OR CONNECT ON FACEBOOK

https://www.facebook.com/pages/category/Politici an/Kathryn-Morse-Councillor-District-10-Halifax-Bedford-Basin-West-588929165133429/

COMING UP AT CITY HALL:

A new highrise apartment project at 210 Willett has moved forward to an online public hearing, set for February 23 at 6pm. The project will include between 520-550 apartments in two 17-story towers. To register to participate in the hearing, email clerks@halifax.ca or call 902-490-4210.







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WINTER PARKING

When and where you park in the winter can have a big impact on clearing streets and sidewalks.

The municipal overnight winter parking ban is in effect every year from Dec. 15 to March 31. It will be enforced only during declared weather events and ongoing clearing operations. When enforced, the parking ban is in effect from 1 a.m. until 6 a.m. throughout the Regional Centre of the municipality.

Winter Parking Regulations

Did you know, you can sign up to receive winter parking ban notifications through hfxALERT, found here:

https://member.everbridge.net/45300308561 7760/login

To help avoid receiving a winter parking ban ticket, as well as the inconvenience and cost of being towed, residents should ask themselves these four questions when considering parking on the street this winter:

- 1. Is the overnight parking ban currently being enforced?
- 2. Is your vehicle causing a safety issue?
- 3. Is it making the road impassable?
- 4. Is it impeding snow operations underway in the area?

If the answer to any of these questions is yes, parking on the street is prohibited.

Also, our website provides regular updates on

winter storm events in your area. This includes service updates, clearing updates and impact on municipal operations.

https://www.halifax.ca/transportation/winteroperations/service-updates



BUDGET COMMITTEE:

Regional Council is continuing to work on the 2021/2022 municipal budget in February, March and April. Budget Committee meetings are held online and will review presentations for each municipal department and provide direction for their budgets. Full approval of the budget will be on Tuesday, May 4th. Business unite budget presentations are scheduled as follows:

Wednesday, Feb. 24

Capital budget

Contingency date: Friday, Feb. 26

Wednesday, March 3

• Halifax Regional Fire & Emergency Contingency date: Friday, March 5

Wednesday, March 10

Halifax Transit





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Contingency date: Friday, March 12

Wednesday, March 24

• Transportation & Public Works Contingency date: Friday, March 26

Wednesday, March 31

• Parks & Recreation Contingency date: Thursday, April 1

Wednesday, April 7
Planning & Development
Contingency date: Friday, April 9

Tuesday, April 20

• Budget Adjustment List (BAL) review Contingency date: Wednesday, April 21

Tuesday, May 4, 2021

• Full review of final budget Contingency date: Wednesday, May 5

Citizens have opportunities to speak directly to Regional Council about budget priorities. Time will be set aside during these meetings for the public to provide insight and comments virtually. Registration is required to be added to the speakers list. Please contact the Clerk's Office at 902-490-4210 or by email at <u>clerks@halifax.ca</u> no later than **4:30 p.m.** the day before a meeting to register.

Meeting dates may be subject to change.

For more information, visit halifax.ca/budget

The reason I use this graphic in my email signature:



Removing barriers and creating opportunities for the full participation of all Halifax residents and municipal employees.

311 CONTACT CENTRE

More than a telephone number, 311 is your direct connection to municipal services. Call 311 and speak to our helpful operators for information about anything HRM-related: property taxes, illegally parked vehicles, recreation services, pet licenses, bylaw concerns, Halifax Transit schedules and more:

> Hours of operation: Monday to Friday 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday & Sunday 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.





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CELEBRATE AFRICAN HERITAGE MONTH



February is African Heritage Month, a time to celebrate the rich culture, achievements and contributions of African Nova Scotians and communities of African descent in our region and across the nation.

This year's theme, *Black History Matters: Listen, Learn, Share and Act*, recognizes the important legacy of people of African Descent and their longstanding history in the development of Canada. This theme also raises awareness of the racialized issues and great adversity the Black community has overcome, while acknowledging the ongoing barriers to equity and inclusion still present within our communities and our organization.

This year's events and activities have been reimagined for a virtual setting in response to COVID-19.

For more information and to attend one of our African Heritage celebration events, go to :

https://www.halifax.ca/about-halifax/diversityinclusion/african-nova-scotian-affairs/africanheritage-month

REDUCE FOOD WASTE-SUPPORT SQUARE ROOTS



SQUARE ROOTS HALIFAX aims to redirect food that would otherwise go to waste into the hands of those who would benefit from it most.

Square Roots currently serves a dozen communities across Nova Scotia, including Fairvew and Clayton Park. Square Roots delivers produce bundles to the community at reduced prices. Delivery locations, dates and times are posted on their Facebook and Instagram along with what will be in the bundle that month!

For more information, please go to the Square Roots website: <u>https://www.squarerootsfood.ca/</u>

