

WELCOME OCTOBER!



Happy Thanksgiving & Happy Halloween! I will be giving thanks this year for our health care

professionals and front-line workers who are providing topnotch service under COVID-19 pressures. I am also thankful for all who are doing their utmost to stop the spread of COVID-19 by adhering to Public Health guidelines.

This month we recognize Mi'kmaq History
Month and October 1st as Treaty Day. Keep
reading for more information and updates on
Halifax Transit service changes, Bayers Road
Transit Priority Corridor, Windsor Street
exchange redevelopment and a list of October
events to enjoy plus much more!

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OCTOBER VIRTUAL MEETING DATES

Virtual Regional Council, Halifax & West Community Council and Regional Centre Community Council meetings will be held on:

Regional Council:

Tuesday, October 5th at 10:00 a.m.

Tuesday, October 19th at 10:00 a.m.

Tuesday, October 26th at 10:00 a.m.

Halifax & West Community Council:

Tuesday, October 12th at 6:00 p.m.

Regional Centre Community Council:

Wednesday, October 27th at 6:00 p.m. (If required)

Please confirm dates and times on our municipal website as they are subject to change.

HALIFAX & WEST COMMUNITY COUNCIL UPDATES

For updates on what was dealt with at the September 7th & 21st Halifax & West Community Council (HWCC) meeting, you can view the agenda, reports and draft minutes here.

DID YOU KNOW...

Halloween ...

- Scottish poet Robert Burns helped to popularize the word "Halloween" with his <u>1785 poem of the same name</u>. It is a combination of the words: All Hallows Eve or All Hallows'en.
- Historians have linked Halloween to Samhain, the Celtic festival of the

- <u>summer's end</u> celebrated in Ireland, Scotland, and the Isle of Man.
- Bobbing for apples was a popular party game. Ladies would mark an apple and toss it into the tub with the belief that they would be destined to whoever pulled it out of the water.
- Back in the day, folks in Ireland dubbed their carved, fiery turnips "jack-o'lanterns" thanks in part to <u>an ominous</u> <u>legend</u> about "Stingy Jack" or Jack-of the-lantern – Jack O'Lantern.
- Throughout medieval Europe, mummering — dressing in disguises and visiting neighborhoods while dancing, playing music, and doing tricks — was popular on major feast days. Modern day trick-or-treating didn't catch on until the 1920s.

Donate Your Recyclables for Long Lake

You can donate your recyclables at Beaver Enviro Depot, 251 Herring Cove Road, to help support the Long Lake Provincial Park Association!

OCTOBER EVENTS

The following is a small sampling of the variety of events occurring this month:

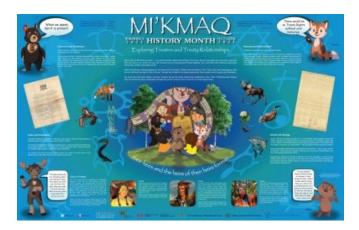
- Mi'kmaq History Month
- Patio Lanterns Festival running to October 11th
- Halifax Mooseheads Hockey Season
 October 2nd to April 2nd, 2022



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- Nova Scotia Forest Festival Lake
 Charlotte
 October 2nd
- Stars on Ice Tour 2021
 October 8th
- Nocturne
 October 13th to 16th
- Hal Con
 October 22nd to 24th

OCTOBER IS MI'KMAQ HISTORY MONTH



The Mi'kmaq History Month website explains that: "Mi'kmaw history and culture is like a puzzle that has many different pieces. Some pieces come from geology, which tells us about the environment in the past. Other pieces come from archaeology, which tells us about where and how our ancestors lived. We also use historical documents that were written mostly by Europeans, since it was rare for Mi'kmaw people to write their histories down on paper.

Most of all, we listen to each other especially to the Elders in our community—because it is our stories and legends that help put all the pieces of the puzzle together into a picture we can call our own."

The Union of Nova Scotia Indians (UNSI) played an integral role in the establishment of Treaty Day and Mi'kmaq History Month. The UNSI is a tribal organization that has been in existence in Nova Scotia for over 40 years.

This month let us remember that we are all Treaty People and learn more about the indigenous history and culture. The 2021 poster for Mi'kmaq History Month, shown at the beginning of this article, reflects exploring treaties and treaty relationships with four major themes: Ceremony and Consensus, Peace and Friendship, Denial and Damage, and Renewal and Reconciliation. What better way to start your learning journey than with a better understanding of the treaties and then check out the following activities/events:

- 2021 Treaty Day Proclamation
- 2020 Treaty Day A Virtual Celebration from Halifax Public Libraries
- 2020 Mi'kmaq History Month A Virtual <u>Celebration from Halifax Public</u> Libraries





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HALIFAX TRANSIT NEW ROUTE 24 LEIBLIN PARK



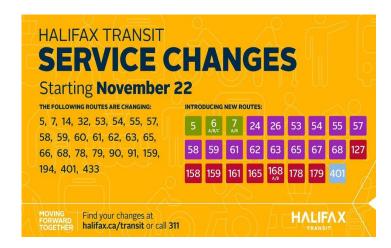
Effective Date: November 22, 2021

This new local route replaces the former Route 14 Leiblin Park.

- The route will follow the same routing from Leiblin Park to South Street (South End, Halifax) as the former Route 14.
- Route 24 will end at Inglis Street near Saint Mary's University.
- Shortening the Route 24 will improve on-time performance, as shorter routes are less subject to being influences by traffic.

- The Route 24 routing will introduce more reliable and consistent service, improving on-time performance.
- Passengers wishing to continue to Scotia Square can transfer at Saint Mary's University to the Route 10 or 29.
- This route will no longer through-route to the 61.

HALIFAX TRANSIT SERVICE CHANGES



<u>Click here</u> for more information on upcoming Halifax Transit service changes that come in to effect on November 22nd, 2021.





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BAYERS ROAD TRANSIT PRIORITY CORRIDOR



Phase 1 of the <u>Bayers Road Transit Priority</u>
<u>Corridor</u> project, including the construction of new bus-only lanes and a multi-use pathway on Bayers Road, is now complete. Contractors will continue minor reinstatement work, as well as permanent traffic pole and signal work, for Phase 1 until mid-October.

Regional Council designated Bayers Road as a transit priority corridor as part of the Integrated Mobility Plan.

The new bus bypass lane at the intersection of Bayers Road and East Perimeter Road (Halifax Shopping Centre) allows outbound buses to bypass traffic congestion and more efficiently turn into the Halifax Shopping Centre. Inbound transit priority measures through this section will also extend the bus lane east from Coleman Court to Connaught Avenue.

The following traffic flow changes are now in place:

 Right turns are no longer allowed from Bayers Road to George Dauphinee Avenue and Micmac Street.

- The right turn slip lane from Bayers
 Road (eastbound) to Connaught
 Avenue has been modified; right
 turning traffic will now proceed directly
 into its own lane and will no longer yield
 to Connaught Avenue traffic.
- The previous right turn slip lane from Connaught Avenue (southbound) to Bayers Road has been removed and replaced with a standard right turn lane.
- The previous dual left turn lane on Bayers Road (westbound) to the Halifax Shopping Centre is now reduced to a single left turn lane, and a new dedicated left turn lane for buses has been added.

A new multi-use pathway has been added on the south side of Bayers Road, between Romans and George Dauphinee avenues. This is a key active transportation connection that is planned to eventually extend west to the Chain of Lakes Trail and connect to a planned network of local street bikeways in the west end. These improvements make walking, rolling, and cycling safer and easier for people of all ages and abilities.

Phase 2 of this project is scheduled for 2023 and will include the addition of bus lanes in both directions between Connaught Avenue and Windsor Street.

For further project information, including project maps, click <u>here</u>



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WINDSOR STREET EXCHANGE REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT



The Windsor Street Exchange redevelopment project involves the redesign of the intersection of Bedford Highway, Windsor Street and Lady Hammond Road. As one of five roadway access points to the Halifax Peninsula and the downtown core, approximately 48,000 vehicles per day travel through this area, and the Windsor Street Exchange is currently operating above its available capacity during peak travel periods. As a result, road users regularly experience significant delays and other operational challenges which have a negative impact on the road network, including on Joseph Howe Drive (Highway 102) and the Bedford Highway.

This congestion also has a significant impact on the overall efficiency and reliability of freight movements to and from the Fairview Cove Container Terminal (FCCT), and the project will improve truck access to FCCT, allowing for increased freight capacity through the Port of Halifax. The project will also allow for the expansion of Active Transportation

connections and transit priority measures through the Windsor Street Exchange.

Halifax Regional Municipality, in partnership with the Province of Nova Scotia and the Port of Halifax, submitted a proposal to redevelop the Windsor Street Exchange to the National Trade Corridors Fund (NTCF). Transport Canada evaluated projects on specific traderelated criteria, as well as the extent to which a project would add capacity or address bottlenecks near major ports, airports, or along road and rail corridors in Canada that contribute to generating or increasing overseas trade.

The project team has awarded a contract to WSP Canada to begin the design process, which is expected to take up to two years. Construction is expected to take two to three years and is scheduled to begin in 2025.

Details of upcoming public engagement opportunities will be shared on the <u>Shape your</u> <u>City project page.</u>

DISTRICT 9 DISTRICT CAPITAL FUND

Each fiscal year, all districts in HRM are allocated District Funds that Councillors have the ability to designate for community benefit. District Capital Funds can provide a grant to any non-profit organization or charity or provide funding for HRM projects that are in the HRM departmental operating or capital budget or proposed by the Councillor. The amount of funding provided for 2021/22 District 9 District Capital Fund is \$94,000.



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For more information on the District 9 District Capital Fund and to apply for funding, visit the municipal website.

THE HEAT FUND



YOUTH LIVE PROGRAM IS RECRUITING

Do you need work experience? Struggling to find meaningful employment?

If you're between 16 and 24 years old you may be eligible to participate in the Youth Live Program. The Youth Live Program offers 24 weeks of paid job and life skill building for youth with employment barriers. While in our supportive environment the program participants will gain hands-on work experience and participate in job readiness workshops to improve employability skills.

At Youth Live you will Work to Learn and Learn to Work!

- You will have scheduled shifts five days a week Monday through Friday
- You will receive a training allowance (stipend) based on a 32.5-hour work week, for up to 24 weeks.

You will gain experience in:

- Customer service
- Cash management
- Warehouse management

Other certifications received through Youth Live:

 Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System (WHMIS):

WHMIS is a comprehensive system for providing health and safety information on hazardous products intended for use, handling, or storage in Canadian workplaces.

• First Aid Training:

Emergency First Aid Certificate teaches methods for providing basic, urgent assistance to injured or ill individuals. Through a combination of instruction, demonstration, and hands-on practice, you will learn how to determine the severity of a patient's condition and practice safe intervention when providing them with emergency support.

Food Safety Certificate:

Also called a Food Handler Certificate, is awarded to Food Handlers of all kinds (chefs, servers, dishwashers, food business owners, etc.). Food safety training is one of the best ways you can gain the fundamental knowledge and skills required to handle food safely in a



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food business such as a restaurant of café, or at home.

CO-OP Opportunities

There will be Co-op opportunities for participants to gain employment experience in:

- PARKS & RECREATION (Emera Oval, Adventure Earth Centre, sports fields, Power House Youth Centre, The Den Youth Centre, etc....)
- ADMINISTRATIVE WORK (Municipal Compliance, Front Desk at Recreation Centres)

AND MORE!

APPLY NOW! **Application deadline is October 4, 2021.** For more information or to apply please contact us at:

- Call 902.490.5589
- Text 902.579.5446
- E-mail to ylrecruit@halifax.ca
- Message us through Facebook: facebook.com/hfxyouthlive

We will contact you to get more information about you, and to tell you more about the program. After that, you may be invited to an information session. Make sure you check your junk mail for our email!

PROVINCIAL AND FEDERAL REPRESENTATIVES IN DISTRICT 9



As of the August 17th, 2021 Provincial Election, the following are the Members Elect of the Legislative Assembly (MLAs) representing District 9 and surrounding areas:

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I am a member of Halifax Regional Council, Halifax & West Community Council, Regional Centre Community Council and the following boards & committees:

- Environment & Sustainability Standing Committee (Chair)
- Transportation Standing Committee
- Community Design Advisory Committee
- Halifax Chain of Lakes Trails Association
- Halifax Partnership

HALIFAX REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY'S LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Land Acknowledgement

The Halifax Regional Municipality is located in Mi'kma'ki, the ancestral and traditional lands of the Mi'kmaq people. The municipality acknowledges the Peace and Friendship Treaties signed in this Territory and recognizes that we are all Treaty People.

Halifax is committed to strengthening its relationship with Indigenous communities and honouring the significant contributions of Indigenous peoples. One way the municipality has demonstrated this is by formalizing the official Land Acknowledgement:

"The Halifax Regional Municipality is located in Mi'kma'ki, the ancestral and traditional lands of the Mi'kmaq people. The municipality

acknowledges the Peace and Friendship Treaties signed in this Territory and recognizes that we are all Treaty People."

Historically, a Land Acknowledgment is a traditional practice shared amongst Indigenous groups to recognize the Indigenous land and territory they are visiting. Making a respectful Land Acknowledgement now, remains a way to express gratitude and respect to Indigenous peoples for being stewards of the land we live and work on. It is an important step in reconciliation.

In Nova Scotia, we are all Treaty People; with that comes roles and responsibilities.



