



WELCOME NOVEMBER!

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Summer was great, now the leaves are falling and Fall is definitely in the air. Here are some updates for November.

We take time to remember the sacrifice and service provided by our military personnel on November 11th. Check your local legion branch for details on events for this year.

Keep reading for more information on important updates regarding Halifax Transit route and service changes, recyclable/green cart schedules, Otter Lake survey, Solar City Program, Park West School and much more!

To discuss municipal programs or services, you can reach me at **902.240.7926** or email Iona.Stoddard@halifax.ca.

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HALIFAX REGIONAL COUNCIL, AND HALIFAX & WEST COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Meetings of Halifax Regional Council, and Halifax & West Community Council will take place on the following dates:

Regional Council:

Tuesday, November 9th at 10:00 a.m.
Tuesday, November 23rd at 10:00 a.m.

Halifax & West Community Council:

Tuesday, November 16th at 6:00 p.m.

Please confirm meeting dates and times on our [website](#) as dates and times are subject to change.

HALIFAX & WEST COMMUNITY COUNCIL UPDATES

At the October 12th meeting of the Halifax & West Community Council, consideration was given to the following:

[Case 23528: Land Use By-law amendment \(rezoning\) for 1601 Ketch Harbour Road, Sambro](#)

Public hearing was held and closed. Motion passed approving amendment to the development agreement.

[Case 23661: Non-substantive amendments to an existing Development Agreement at 286 and 290 Herring Cove Road, Halifax](#)

Motion passed approving the amendments to existing development agreement.

For more information on the Halifax & West Community Council and how to view the meetings, click [here](#).

HALIFAX TRANSIT SERVICE CHANGES

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Starting **November 22**

THE FOLLOWING ROUTES ARE CHANGING:
5, 7, 14, 32, 53, 54, 55, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 65, 66, 68, 78, 79, 90, 91, 159, 194, 401, 433

INTRODUCING NEW ROUTES:

5	6 A/MC	7 A/B	24	26	53	54	55	57
58	59	61	62	63	65	67	68	127
158	159	161	165	168 A/B	178	179	401	

MOVING FORWARD TOGETHER Find your changes at halifax.ca/transit or call 311 HALIFAX TRANSIT

As our city changes, so do our public Transit needs. **On November 22nd**, Halifax Transit will introduce large-scale service changes primarily affecting Dartmouth communities (Districts 2, 3, 4, 6) but that also reach to Halifax, Spryfield, Cole Harbour, and communities between Dartmouth and Porters Lake/Seaforth as part of the [Moving Forward Together Plan](#) (MFTP).

A new **West Bedford Park & Ride** will also **open**, which will require minor route modifications to four routes to service the Park & Ride.

Combined, this is the largest number of MFTP route changes being implemented to date. See the [Riders' Guide](#) and [Route Map](#) to help you plan your route as of November 22nd.

For additional resources, see detailed new [route descriptions](#), explore the [interactive transit service changes map](#) to view new or discontinued routes and bus stops, or find answers to [frequently asked questions](#).



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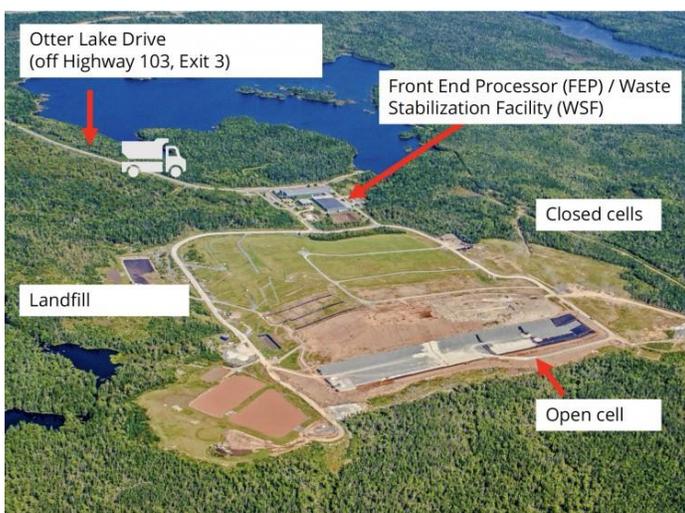
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OTTER LAKE PUBLIC CONSULTATION

I have been working on issues in District 12 for over a year now, and I take them all seriously. The most current and significant is a staff recommendation to deactivate the Otter Lake Waste Disposal and Processing Facility. This is a big decision and one that I want to be well informed on and take all views in to consideration. I have heard many residents say that HRM should not deactivate, yet others say HRM should. I want to know what you think. Please take the time to learn more about this recommendation from staff and the history on this facility and let me know your thoughts.

It's also important that you **engage in the [survey](#) that is available from November 3rd until December 3rd on the HRM website.**

I encourage you all to read the back grounder below and take part in the survey. It's important for District 12.



The Otter Lake Waste Processing & Disposal Facility (Otter Lake) was commissioned in 1999 and included the Front End Processor (FEP)

and Waste Stabilization Facility (WSF). The FEP consists of mechanical equipment that processes bagged garbage. The main function is to separate organics containing waste such as food waste and to send this material to the WSF for biostabilization (treatment similar to composting) prior to landfilling to mitigate landfill nuisance factors such as odours and attraction of birds.

On July 20, 2021 Regional Council accepted staff recommendations, including to submit an application to Nova Scotia Environment and Climate Change **to deactivate the Front-End Processor (FEP) and Waste Stabilization Facility (WSF)**. View the staff report [here](#).

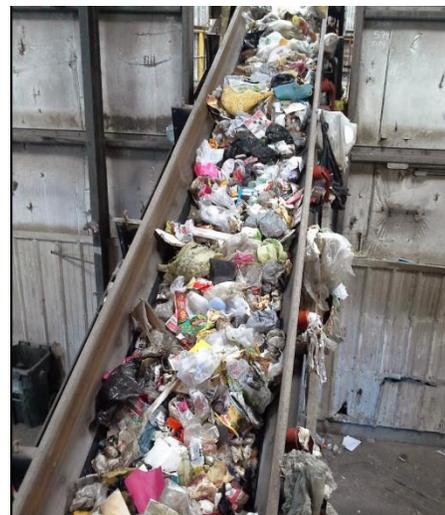
I encourage you to participate in the public consultation process on the Otter Lake FEP & WSF from November 3 to December 3, 2021. Your feedback is important!

TAKE THE SURVEY [HERE](#).

Or provide your feedback by:

Email to: otterlake@halifax.ca

Mail to: Solid Waste Resources
PO Box 1749, Halifax, NS B3J 3A5





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2021 VOLUNTEER CONFERENCE



HRM's Neighbourhood and Volunteer Services is pleased to present our Annual Volunteer Conference!

The volunteer conference is a celebration of the tremendous contributions of volunteers in the region. It provides residents with an opportunity to participate in training and networking to help them become more effective in their work and provide strong volunteer capacity throughout the municipality.

All public health protocols will be followed. Proof of vaccination and masking will be mandatory.

Enjoy networking, workshops, lunch & more!

When:

Friday, November 19, 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Where:

Double Tree by Hilton, 101 Wyse Road

Registration deadline:

48 Hours prior to each workshop

Have a look at all of the [amazing workshops](#) being offered this year.

Register online at halifax.ca/myrec (barcode# 00046392) to register for each workshop you are interested in.

Please contact Darren Hirtle, Community Developer, at 902-476-1184 if you have any questions.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR HRM BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

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A SEAT AT THE TABLE

Volunteer to serve on a municipal board, committee, or commission.

Deadline November 15, 2021 | 11:59pm

APPLY NOW

Volunteering on municipal boards and committees is important—are you interested? Apply to serve on a board or committee in [5 easy steps](#).

RECYCLABLES, GREEN CART COLLECTION SCHEDULES

Never miss another collection day - search [What Goes Where](#), sign up for weekly reminders and service alerts, or print a calendar customized for your address using our [web app](#).



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Only residential properties with six units or less are eligible for curbside collection, but everyone can use the **What Goes Where** search.

Effective **October 4, 2021**, [Green carts and leaf and yard material](#) will be collected curbside every other week.

Effective **July 2, 2021**, [Biweekly Recyclables Collection](#) commences in all communities of Halifax Regional Municipality. **Recyclables collection will now occur every other week.**

[Waste Collection Schedule 2021](#)

[Sorting Guides](#)



LITTER AND ILLEGAL DUMPING

Everyone knows they shouldn't litter, but there are still some who ignore the message or overlook the impact of what may seem like small or unnoticeable actions.

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Litter accumulates. It's ugly. The culmination of small transgressions by litterers – even those that happen by accident – looks bad in our community. One piece of litter turns to two, then three, and more. We are each responsible to stop litter before it starts.

The only place litter belongs is in a garbage can, organics or recycling bin. If there isn't a bin close by, take it with you. Don't leave it for another person (or animal) to pick up.

Halifax Solid Waste will begin enforcing the mandatory provision of litter receptacles in drive-thru restaurants starting April 1, 2022.

For clarity, establishments are not required to have multi-stream sorting bins in the drive-thru, however, multi-stream sorting bins (accessible to customers) will continue to be required elsewhere on the property.

Report litter on public property (parks and right of way), commercial property, construction sites by calling our Citizen Contact Centre at 3-1-1.

If litter is on provincial roads/highways, contact the province at:

<https://novascotia.ca/tran/contact/contact.asp>.

Penalties range from \$200-\$10,000 for litter violations.





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SOLAR CITY PROGRAM



I was thrilled to have participated in a tour of the IKEA building in Dartmouth recently and viewed their extensive solar panel operation that provides solar energy for their facility. If you are interested in reducing green house gas emissions by using solar energy, you may be interested in HRM's [Solar City Program](#).

The Solar City program offers property owners in the municipality access to innovative solar energy options, which can be financed through a solar collector account with the Halifax Regional Municipality.

Who can access the solar city program?

- residential property owners
- non-profit organizations
- places of worship
- co-operatives
- charities

Property owners can choose to install one, or all, of following solar technologies:

Solar electric:

- use the [Nova Scotia Go Solar Guide](#) for information on choosing a qualified solar installer, determining if solar is right

for your home, and incentives & programs available in the municipality.

- generates electricity to be used throughout the building when needed. Additional electricity can be sold to Nova Scotia Power.
- average system cost of \$20,000. Estimated savings of \$57,000 over 25 years
- off-grid systems also eligible for financing
- may be eligible for the [SolarHomes rebate](#) through Efficiency Nova Scotia

Solar hot air:

- reduces energy costs associated with space heating
- average system cost of \$4,000. Estimated savings of \$6,000 over 15 years.
- may be eligible for the [Green Heat rebate](#) through Efficiency Nova Scotia

Solar hot water:

- reduces the energy costs associated with heating hot water and can be applied to all water based pre-heating needs including swimming pools, space heating and domestic hot water
- average system cost of \$9,000. Estimated savings of \$20,000 over 25 years.
- may be eligible for the [Green Heat rebate](#) through Efficiency Nova Scotia

For more information on each technology view Efficiency Nova Scotia's [Solar Fact Guide](#).

Click [here](#) to register for the Solar City Program.



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PARK WEST SCHOOL



Community engagement exploring the possible transfer of parkland to the province for a new school in the forested area of Park West School Park ran from May 31, 2021 to June 21, 2021. For questions related to the school, residents were directed to a contact person provided by the province.

There were 380 survey respondents. The majority of respondents, 69%, do not support the transfer of municipal parkland for the new public school. The loss of parkland was the most cited reason for not supporting the land transfer (244 respondents), followed by 144 who prefer an alternative location, 116 cited compatibility issues with surrounding uses and 60 had 'other' reasons (a third of these were related to concern over loss of forest and wildlife habitat).

The most common comments were related to concern over the loss of parkland and lack of engagement and information from the province regarding the other potential school sites they considered.

Park West School Park is the preferred site in Clayton Park West, due to its central location, proximity to the existing Park West School, and its sports field. At least eight other locations for the school were identified by the Province's Department of Infrastructure and Housing (IAH). Some sites were publicly owned but were poorly located, and others were privately owned and either not available or also poorly located.

The Halifax Regional Centre for Education (HRCE) is currently reviewing the broader area to determine what the optimum grade configuration will be for a new school. The site fitting drawing shown below represents a possible scenario to illustrate what the high level potential of the Radcliffe Drive site would be and not an actual provincially approved configuration.



The report should be before Regional Council by end of November/early December 2021.



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IN THE COMMUNITY



Doing my civic duty and voting in the recent provincial and federal elections.



I was honoured to be at the Truth & Reconciliation Flag Raising at City Hall.



Truth & Reconciliation Flag Raising, City Hall.



Pleased to see Indigenous décor on display honouring our Indigenous heritage at IKEA during my recent tour of the facility.



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Here I am touring the Blue Mountain Birch Cove area with Councillor Kathryn Morse and friends.



Noticed this dedication to parkland/trails during my recent visit to the BLT Trails.



Presenting 30th anniversary certificate to local business Pizza Land in Clayton Park West!



Attending the Fallen Peace Officers memorial in Grand Parade with Insp. Jeremie Landry, RCMP.



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Celebrating my first full year of my first term on Halifax Regional Council.



Here I am on a tour of the RCMP Headquarters.

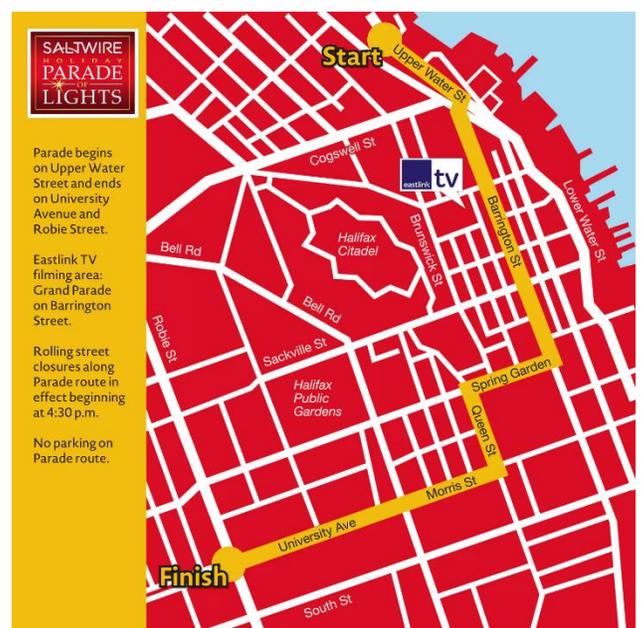
WELCOME BACK PARADE OF LIGHTS!

**Saturday, November 20th, 2021
6:00 p.m.**

You're invited to the streets of downtown Halifax for the spectacular sights and sounds of [SaltWire's Holiday Parade of Lights](#).



Here I am presenting resident Bob Angus with a certificate in celebration of his 80th birthday. Bob is a passionate, dedicated community volunteer and I appreciate his assistance and work in the community.





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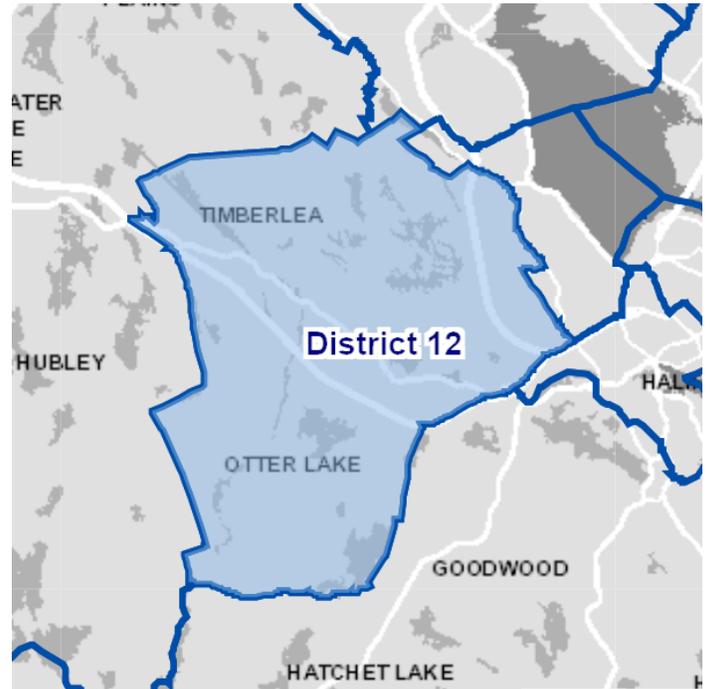
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I currently serve on the following boards and committees along with Regional Council and the Halifax & West Community Council:

- Appeals Standing Committee
- Transportation Standing Committee
- Community Design Advisory Committee
- Heritage Advisory Committee
- Community Monitoring Committee
- Women's Advisory Committee

WE SHALL REMEMBER THEM

At the 11th hour on the 11th day of the 11th month, we shall remember them.



District 12 has a population of approximately 25,205 residents and includes the suburban communities of Timberlea, Lakeside, Beechville (known as the B.L.T. communities), as well as parts of Clayton Park and Wedgewood. Residential areas include a range of housing options from high density apartment living to mature, quiet neighborhoods and tree-lined streets bordering on wilderness areas.

The region was historically known for its thriving forest and lumbering industries. Until the early 1990s, the area was mostly a semi-rural community. Several large developments in the area, including Greenwood Heights, have substantially increased the population and is now mostly a suburban community.

The district has excellent recreational facilities and opportunities. The [Canada Games Centre](#) is a vibrant multi-sport community and recreation centre, and a premier fitness, aquatic, and recreational facility.