

Accessibility Advisory Committee Town Hall 2021

D&I/ANSAIO – Accessibility Advisor Updates

- HRM's Accessibility Strategy was passed on May 18th, 2021. The Strategy contains 30 action items to support the municipality's goal of becoming accessible by 2030. The Accessibility Strategy document outlines the starting dates and deadlines for each individual action item. The Strategy is available on the Halifax website for public viewing.
- As a result of the passing of the Accessibility Strategy, we formed a committee comprised of representatives from each HRM business unit. The committee is responsible for actioning the 30 action items in the Accessibility Strategy; this includes passing along important information to their respective business units and leading accessibility initiatives.
- Over the past year, HRM staff have had more learning opportunities around accessibility through two main sources: a new corporate Accessibility Training and accessibility-related speaker sessions. For the speaker's sessions, members of the disability community, including representatives from local organizations, educated HRM staff on specific topics relevant to accessibility and the disability community. The corporate Accessibility Training provides a more general overview of accessibility including best practices for the workplace.