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Item No. 15.5.3

Request for Halifax Regional Council's Consideration					
(Sul Clei	uded on Agenda Dimitted to Municipal R's Office by Noon rsday)	Added Iten (Submitted Clerk's Offi Monday)	to Municipal		Request from the Floor
Date of Council Meeting: August 6, 2024					
Subject: AT links between Halifax Mainland and Halifax Peninsula					
Motion for Council to Consider:					
That Halifax Regional Council direct the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) to prepare a staff report with recommendations for improving Active Transportation links between Mainland Halifax and the Halifax Peninsula within 1 km of the Windsor Street Exchange, including revisiting the option of a bridge and pathways connecting Chisholm Avenue and Scot Street over the CN rail cut.					
Reason:					
HRM has gaps in the bike and pedestrian infrastructure linking suburban areas on the Halifax Mainland with the Halifax Peninsula. The Windsor Street Exchange is especially challenging to navigate on foot or by bike. AT plans are underway for the Windsor Street Exchange but are constrained by the bottleneck around the Fairview Overpass. A staff report would look at other locations near the Windsor Street Exchange where an AT bridge could be installed across the CN tracks. If restricted to foot and bike traffic, an AT-only bridge could be lighter in weight and therefore less costly than a bridge designed for vehicles, however it could still provide a valuable alternative transportation link to the Peninsula for suburban residents.					
Outcome Sought:					
A staff report with costed options for Regional Council's consideration in future budgets.					
Councillo	r Kathryn Morse		District 10		