



COUNCILLOR TONY MANCINI
DISTRICT 6 ONLINE NEWS
HARBOURVIEW - BURNSIDE - DARTMOUTH EAST

Together We Can Build Safe, Healthy, Active Communities

WELCOME NOVEMBER

I want to thank the residents of District 6 for honoring me with your vote. I am deeply moved by the expression of confidence, and I thank you from the bottom of my heart. I am immensely grateful to family, friends, and loyal supporters who so generously contributed their time and effort to our campaign during the election. I also thank Lori Ogden for putting her name on the ballot and wish her the best for the future.

I could not do this job without the involvement and openness of the people I represent. You have taken the time to share your ideas, concerns, and aspirations, and I sincerely appreciate your willingness to discuss what really matters to you. Not only have you entrusted me with the responsibility of speaking on your behalf as your representative, but you also continue to provide me with the ideas and feedback I need to do it as it should be done. For that, I thank you once again.

Our beautiful municipality faces many opportunities and challenges in the coming months. We can overcome challenges when we work together, including all perspectives, to do what is best for our community. I look forward to continuing to work for all residents of District 6 as your municipal representative.





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BIENVENUE À TOUS EN NOVEMBRE

Je tiens à remercier les résidents du district 6 de m'avoir honoré de leur vote. C'est là une marque de confiance qui me touche profondément, et je vous en remercie du fond du cœur. Je remercie infiniment ma famille, mes amis et mes fidèles partisans qui ont généreusement consacré leur temps et leurs efforts à notre campagne électorale. Mes remerciements vont également à Lori Ogden, qui a inscrit son nom sur le bulletin de vote. Je lui souhaite le meilleur pour l'avenir.

Je n'aurais pas pu faire ce travail sans l'implication et l'ouverture d'esprit des personnes que je représente. Vous avez pris le temps de partager vos idées, vos préoccupations et vos aspirations, et votre volonté de discuter de ce qui compte vraiment pour vous me réjouit profondément. Non seulement vous m'avez confié la responsabilité de parler en votre nom en tant que votre représentant, mais vous continuez également à me fournir les idées et les commentaires dont j'ai besoin pour le faire comme il se doit. Je vous en remercie encore une fois.

Les mois à venir seront marqués par de nombreuses opportunités et de nombreux défis pour notre belle municipalité. Ensemble, nous pouvons relever les défis, en intégrant tous les points de vue pour faire ce qu'il y a de mieux pour notre communauté. Je me réjouis de continuer à travailler pour tous les résidents du district 6 en tant que votre représentant municipal.

SHUBIE TREE LIGHTING

Save the date! The Shubie Tree Lighting will take place on Saturday December 14 in Shubie Park. There will be lots of fun activities including a bonfire, marshmallow roasting, hot chocolate and a visit from Santa. I can't wait to see you there!



REMEMBRANCE DAY



Thank you to our Veterans and those who courageously serve our country today. Please consider attending a Cenotaph ceremony on November 11 and wearing a poppy leading up to

Remembrance Day to honour them.



This year is the 15th Remembrance Day we've honoured Petty Officer 2nd Class Craig Blake's sacrifice for our country. The gathering we have in Craig Blake Memorial Park in Montebello is a special thank you from his family, friends, and neighbours. Please join us on November 11 at 2:00 p.m. We will remember.



My father, Elio Mancini served in World War II and spent 3.5 years in a POW camp.



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INDIGENOUS DISABILITY AWARENESS MONTH

November is Indigenous Disability Awareness Month, a time to recognize and celebrate the strength, resilience, and unique challenges faced by Indigenous people living with disabilities.

Indigenous communities in Canada have a rich and diverse history, and they are composed of various nations, each with its own distinct culture and traditions. Many Indigenous people are living with disabilities, which may result from a variety of factors, including historical trauma, limited access to healthcare, and systemic barriers. It's essential to understand the intersection of Indigenous and disability identities to provide culturally sensitive support and advocacy.

This month serves as a crucial reminder of the importance of inclusivity, awareness, and support for a community that often faces disparities in healthcare, education, and social services. Indigenous Disability Awareness Month encourages all Canadians to reflect on the challenges faced by Indigenous individuals with disabilities and to work toward creating a more inclusive society. By fostering cultural sensitivity, we can ensure that services and support systems are tailored to the unique needs of Indigenous communities. This approach promotes a more equitable and just society, respecting the principles of reconciliation and self-determination. To learn more, visit our [website](#).



Help us improve our procurement process

Share your **feedback** as a current or future municipal vendor by completing our online supplier feedback and social value surveys by Nov. 22 at halifax.ca/procurement.

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TRANSGENDER DAY OF REMEMBRANCE

Transphobia, trans misogyny, and all other forms of violence, including racism against Black, Indigenous, and racialized Trans people, have no place in Canada. We now remember Transgender Day of Remembrance [every year on November 20](#), honouring all Trans, Two-Spirit, and non-binary people who were victims of violence, hatred, and discrimination and who had their lives taken.

We must do better by continuing to condemn all acts of violence against transgender people and to integrate Trans perspectives into Canadian institutions so that they can meet the needs of all Canadians. You can find out more information [here](#).





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SENIOR SNOW REMOVAL PROGRAM

There’s no denying it – winter is on its way. There is a snow removal program available for seniors (ages 65 and older) and persons with disabilities to help ensure safe access to your home.

The Senior Snow Removal is a YMCA program provided in partnership with Halifax Regional Municipality, and oversees the clearing of front and back steps, walkways, ramps, and access to fuel tanks. Please note that the program does not include driveway clearing.

Those 65+ or persons with disabilities must also meet the following eligibility criteria:

- ✓ The participant must reside in a single dwelling home which is owned or rented;
- ✓ The participant, also including all individuals who live on the premises aged eighteen or older, must not exceed a total gross household income of \$32,000, and;
- ✓ The participant may not be a landlord.

The Senior Snow Removal operates on a first-come, first-serve basis. When maximum capacity is reached, the program will come to a close and individuals will be placed on a waitlist.

Call 902-483-3678 for more information. You can download the 2024/2025 application package online. Completed applications may be emailed to ssr@halifax.ymca.ca faxed to 902-423-8530 or can be mailed or dropped off in person to:

Attention: YMCA Senior Snow Removal
Community YMCA
2269 Gottingen Street
Halifax, NS B3K 3B7



Councillor Austin and I with Oathill Lake Society volunteers doing some parkland restoration.

DARTMOUTH COMMUNITY CONCERT ASSOCIATION

The Dartmouth Community Concert Association (DCCA) are pleased to present the Obsidiana Duo, mezzo-soprano and piano, as their next concert on November 23. DCCA is a non-profit, civic organization dedicated to presenting quality entertainment for the entire family at affordable prices. For more information, please call (902) 433-1680, or visit their [website](#).

EVENT GRANTS APPLICATIONS

Event grant applications are open for the Marketing Levy Special Event Reserve Grants Program (MLSERG)! The MLSERG program supports non-profit groups who host large scale events that promote business development and tourism. Applications are due November 30. Learn more about the available grants and the applications [here](#).



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HALIFAX CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING

The annual Halifax Christmas Tree Lighting will be held on Saturday, November 23 from 6 – 7 p.m. in Grand Parade next to Halifax City Hall.

Join us for the lighting of the municipal Christmas Tree, a visit from Santa Claus, fireworks, live music by the Julia Tynes band & dancers, a visit from PAW Patrol Skye & Chase and the Gabby's Dollhouse Live show!

You can find out more [here](#).

NOMINATIONS FOR HRM'S 2025 VOLUNTEER AWARDS

Each year, Halifax Regional Municipality recognizes the extraordinary contributions of individuals and groups who volunteer in our communities by presenting them with volunteer awards.

Residents can nominate volunteers in three different categories: adult, youth (ages 13-19) and community group starting Wednesday November 13. Nomination forms and detailed nomination criteria are available now on our [website](#).

The deadline for nominations for the 2025 awards is Wednesday January 8. For more information, reach out to volunteerhelp@halifax.ca.



I had the pleasure of delivering the opening plenary at the 2024 Electronic Mobility Conference which took place in Halifax on September 11.

POLICE ASK FOR PUBLIC'S ASSISTANCE REGARDING SCHOOL BUS SAFETY

Don't forget – if a school bus has its stop sign out it means STOP. Keep our children safe this school year by driving safely near school bus routes and school zones. It is illegal, and very dangerous, to pass a school bus when its red lights are flashing. Failing to stop for a school bus can result in a first offence fine of \$410 and six points on your license, and most importantly, it could severely impact a person's life.



I participated in the Stair Heroes event last weekend which helps to raise awareness and funds to support LungNSPEI programs and services.



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GRAHAMS GROVE ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION FUNCTIONAL PLAN

Active transportation improvements are being considered for several streets in Dartmouth, including portions of the Highway 111 interchange, Main Street, Tacoma Drive, Prince Albert Road, Harris Road, and more.



The project will aim to improve safety, access and connectivity for active transportation users through improved pedestrian infrastructure and new all-ages-and-abilities (AAA) cycling connections along several streets identified in the [Integrated Mobility Plan](#) and [Active Transportation Priorities Plan](#).

Round 2 of public engagement included several open houses and pop-up events and an online survey. Feedback is now being compiled and you can find out more about next steps [here](#).

WINTER GREEN CART TIPS

When temperatures drop, materials in green carts can freeze and cause issues for both residents and waste haulers. To avoid some of the problems associated with green cart in the winter, our Solid Waste Resources team has some helpful tips:

- Put your green cart out for each collection, even if it's not full. This will give material less time to freeze
- Line the bottom of your green cart with a yard waste bag, boxboard or newspaper
- Place your green cart in a place where the sun can reach it
- Wrap food in paper scraps

More information on green carts can be found on our [webpage](#).

TAX RELIEF FOR NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS PROGRAM

The municipality is pleased to announce that the Tax Relief for Non-Profit Organizations Program is now accepting applications for 2024-2025. Organizations applying for acceptance into the program (or the addition of another property) must submit a complete application on or before Friday January 31, 2025.

The municipality's Tax Relief for Non-Profit Organizations Program can help eligible non-profit and charitable organizations reduce the amount of property tax they pay each year.

You can find the application form online on the Program's [website](#) at or by emailing non-profittax@halifax.ca.



I had the pleasure of attending the Circular Economy Month/Waste Reduction Week celebration at NSCC



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2025 URBAN DESIGN AWARDS SUBMISSIONS



The Halifax Regional Municipality is calling for submissions to the 2025 Urban Design Awards – a celebration of urban design excellence that occurs every two years. To qualify for an award, projects must have been completed after January 1, 2020, and meet the criteria for one of the nine categories. The submission deadline is February 10, 2025 and the award ceremony will take place on Monday, May 26, 2025. For more information or to submit an application, please visit [the website](#) or contact urbandesign@halifax.ca.

HOUSING AND HOMELESS UPDATE

The Halifax Regional Municipality is committed to treating people experiencing homelessness in our public spaces with dignity while working to find ways to best support them within our capacity and scope as a municipality.

The municipality has worked with the province to identify potential shelter village locations and it was determined that municipal land on Thomas Raddall Drive and Bancroft Lane were best suited to meet the needs of those experiencing homelessness.

Shelter villages are not tent encampments. They are staffed by trained professionals 24/7 to help residents and address any concerns and wrap around supports will be available on site for people to help them transition toward permanent housing including food and medical supports.

Each shelter has a bed, desk, chair, storage, and have both air conditioning and heat. This means open fires or fuel-based heaters are not permitted. Beyond the shelters themselves bathrooms, showers and laundry services are on site and as well as a communal meeting space for staff and residents to use.

The province and their service provider commit to being good neighbours in their community, including responding to community concerns. The Shelter Villages will be fenced and have security cameras as well as on site security. The municipality will also provide garbage removal as well as snow and ice control for the main road into the shelter village.

These initiatives, along with the tiny home project, will provide 150 new spaces for people experiencing homelessness. We will continue to work with the Province to transition people sleeping rough outdoors to appropriate sheltering options.

GOOD FOOD ORGANIZATION
Halifax Regional Municipality

MOBILE FOOD MARKET
NORTH DARTMOUTH COMMUNITY MARKET

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26 Courtney Rd
4:30 PM-7:30 PM
Every Tuesday

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SHUBIE PARK CAMPGROUND TRAILERS

Last year, we did a pilot program at Shubie Campground where we opened 12 spaces for residents in RVs to stay over the winter months.

The program was a huge success and the number of spaces at the site has increased from 12 to 17 trailers.

UPCOMING REGIONAL COUNCIL MEETINGS

There are two Regional Council meetings scheduled for November. Regional Council meetings are held on Tuesdays:

- November 12
- November 19

Check out the full schedule of upcoming meetings – including committees [here](#). Meeting agendas (including the specific start time of 10 a.m. or 1 p.m.) and a link to watch the video are generally available by the Friday prior to the meeting. Reports on the items that councillors vote on are available and are linked throughout the meeting agenda.

COMMUNITY COUNCIL SCHEDULE AND AGENDA

The Harbour East – Marine Drive Community Council normally meets on the first Thursday of each month, at 6:00 p.m. in the HEMDCC Meeting Space, Main Floor Alderney Gate, 60 Alderney Drive, Dartmouth. Meeting dates, time and location are subject to change. You can find agendas, report, and minutes [online](#).

The HEMDCC webcast will be live on HRM’s [YouTube channel](#) and [agenda postings](#). Stay tuned for the video link to be shared closer to the next HEMDCC meeting, scheduled for Thursday, December 5.

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. In Nova Scotia, we are all Treaty People; with that comes roles and responsibilities. We also acknowledge the histories and legacies of the African Nova Scotian people and communities that have been here for more than 400 years.

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Currently serving on:

- Executive Standing Committee
- Environment and Sustainability Standing Committee
- Halifax Regional Library Board
- Harbour East Marine Drive Community Council
- Solid Waste Regional Chairs Committee
- Regional Centre Community Council
- Shubenacadie Canal Commission
- Special Events Advisory Committee