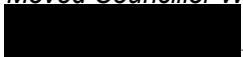


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Request for Consideration	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Agenda Item (Submitted to Municipal Clerk's Office by Noon at least 5 working days prior to the meeting)	<input type="checkbox"/> Request from the Floor
<input type="checkbox"/> Added Item (Submitted to Municipal Clerk's Office by Noon at least one day prior to meeting)	<input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Motion
Council or Committee: Transportation SC	Date of Meeting: Thursday May 18, 2023
Subject: Sunday Street closures	
Motion: Transportation Standing Committee request a staff report regarding implanting a pilot to designate certain main streets as vehicle free on Sundays during the summer months (June-August).	
Reason: Halifax Regional Municipality has supported the work of residents and business commissions to close streets to vehicles on Sunday through Switch Open Streets. The inspiration for this was the Ciclovías of Bogotá, Colombia, started in 1974. Each Sunday and public holiday from 7 am until 2 pm certain main streets of Bogotá, Cali, Medellín, and other cities are temporarily blocked off to cars allowing runners, skaters, and bicyclists to use the streets in a more comfortable and safe configuration. Open Street Sunday happens annually in Halifax, helping to animate Halifax's city streets and public spaces with activities, events, and entertainment! Open Street Sundays encourages people to enjoy their community by walking, biking and moving around safely and comfortably on the street. Rather than a once a year event like Switch, the purpose of this report would be to identify what streets may be appropriate to open to pedestrian, bike, and other micromobility every Sunday in the summer in a less structured, less event based change in use of these streets. The report would require input and consultation with residents, adjacent businesses, and business improvement districts. The street closure AO would not apply to this process, in that consensus would not be required to change this use.	
Outcome Sought: Staff report that outline opportunities, concerns and funding sources for this request.	
<i>Moved Councillor Waye Mason</i> 	<i>District 7</i>