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No.	Item	Discussion
1.	<b>Approval of Minutes of the RSCC of June 7, 2022</b>	The minutes were approved as circulated.
2.	<b>2024 Road Safety Strategy Stakeholder Workshop</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Road Safety group presented the proposed new Vision and Goal for the 2024 Road Safety Strategy. No major comments on the new proposed vision or goal, steering committee in agreement on direction.</li> <li>• How to define severity of injury: Police note that injuries as presented on scene can change and cases are not always followed up on. The injury severity that is reported in a Police report is based on best available data at the time of completing the report. Public Health will connect the Road Safety group with Trauma Nova Scotia to explore if other data is available to supplement police data.</li> <li>• Discussed the proposed focus areas for the new strategy, based on the six elements of a safe system as noted from the <a href="#">TAC Vision Zero and the Safe System Approach: A Primer for Canada</a> (Safe Speeds, Safe Road Users, Safe Vehicles, Safe Road Design, Post-Crash Care, Safe Land-Use Planning).                         <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ RCMP can support Safe Vehicles through vehicle compliance checkpoints, educating drivers about maintaining safe vehicles and ticketing or towing. Safe Speeds is another area that Police can easily support through speed enforcement.</li> <li>○ NSPW highlighting Safe Road Users as a valuable area of focus for reducing fatal collisions. A significant percentage of fatal</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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		<p>collisions reviewed by the province involve an impaired driver, distraction, aggressive driving.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Public Health offered navigation support for Post Crash Care, can support engagement and communications with acute care providers to explore data sharing or collaboration.</li> <li>○ Safe Roads and Safe Speeds align with the work done by Public Works and the engineering design teams.</li> <li>○ Growing movement in the field of road safety for vehicle regulations to require vehicles to be safer for those outside of the vehicle rather than only the occupants. The municipality has limited control over vehicle regulations, can control our own fleet. A representative from Fleet could be included in the steering committee if Safe Vehicles are an area of focus.</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Equity lens for Road Safety- this is an important, but still emerging practice. Have already had some brief discussions with Public Health relating to this. New processes are coming through the HRM capital budget relating to equity, some groups already incorporating an equity lens. CIMD is used by Active Transportation and Road Safety for traffic calming prioritization. Transportation Planning is working on speaking more explicitly about equity in reviewed Integrated Mobility Plan. Public Health expressed interest in supporting a Road Safety equity lens with Heath Equity Impact Assessment tool. AT has found success in consulting HRM Diversity and Inclusion office and engaging with community groups within project areas.</li> <li>● Key Performance Indicators. Desire to identify performance indicators for the road safety program which can be reported each year in the annual report. Plan to establish indicators that have accurate and available data, could also identify potential indicators for future if data is not currently available but could be as data quality and availability evolves.             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Should consider removing “Number of Engineering Countermeasures Installed” as an indicator for Road Safety. These numbers are consistently reported in other business unit reports and presentations. Without knowing the impact of individual countermeasures, the number of countermeasures does not directly result in improved road safety outcomes.</li> <li>○ Police can report number of SOT’s issued. Warnings are given by officers as education however there are no records available to provide number of events. HRP can provide anecdotal remarks on enforcement efforts related to targeted enforcement themes.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Public Health would support the development of a perception of road safety indicator, would like to see an equity related indicator. Can connect Road Safety group with Trauma Nova Scotia to explore if more demographic data is available for collision related injuries and fatalities.</li> <li>○ AT expressed support for including demographic information in indicators. Information including age and sex are not currently included in information that is shared with Road Safety by HRP and RCMP, there were privacy concerns about sharing this data.</li> <li>○ Communications suggested reaching out to DalTRAC to explore data from their transportation study to support performance indicators.</li> </ul> <p>The Road Safety group is currently working on the first draft of the new Road Safety Strategy, expecting to share with the steering committee members for review over the fall. Aiming to bring a finished draft to Council in Spring 2024.</p>
<p><b>Action:</b></p> <p><b>Road Safety team will set up meeting with Public Health to discuss available resources for an equity lens, demographic data, supplementary injury data.</b></p> <p><b>Road Safety team will meet with HRP to discuss serious injury definition and data quality, data shared.</b></p>		
3.	<b>Road Safety Team Statistics Update</b>	Road Safety presented an overview of collision stats for 2023. There have been 4 fatal collisions so far this year. Collision numbers are tracking similarly to 2022 for total number of collisions.
4.	<b>Stakeholders Update</b>	There were no stakeholder updates shared.
5.	<b>Next Meeting</b>	December 6, 2023