Glendale Drive Capital Improvements

In the past three years, we have seen many capital improvements to Glendale Drive, completed by both Halifax Water and Halifax Regional Municipality.

Pedestrian Safety

Crosswalk sign/lighting upgrades and road widening was completed at the intersections of Glendale Drive and Chandler Drive, Glendale Drive and McGee Drive, and Glendale Drive and Pinehill Drive. The new crosswalk infrastructure, which we call RA-5, includes pedestrian pushbuttons and both overhead and side mounted flashing lights. This will greatly increase pedestrian visibility and safety. The crosswalk at Raymond Drive crossing over to Sackville High School is being improved now with RA-5 infrastructure in conjunction with the new sidewalk.

Traffic

To improve traffic flow, we have installed three left turn lanes from Glendale Drive onto Rankin Drive, Chandler Drive and Pinehill Crescent.

Installations of New Crosswalks

Numerous requests have come in over the years for a crosswalk at Smokey Drive and Glendale, which have all been forwarded to our Traffic Authority staff for their consideration. I am happy to say that a marked crosswalk across Glendale Drive at Smokey Drive will be installed to provide pedestrian connectivity to the Sackville Greenway Trail after the upgrades to the trail are completed. The simple installation of signs and paint alone will not be appropriate at this location, and a crosswalk treatment that includes pedestrian-activated flashing amber beacons is recommended. Thus, the installation will be programed into a future capital budget. The work will likely take place during the 2018/19 construction season due to the associated design work and procurement that is required for the installation.

Bus Shelters and New Pull off Lanes

Bus pull offs, or laybys, were installed along Glendale at the following locations:

- Glendale /Chandler on both sides of Glendale
- Glendale/Pinehill on both sides of Glendale
- Glendale/McDougall on both sides of Glendale, currently under construction/upgrade

- Glendale/Metropolitan on both sides of Glendale, currently under construction/upgrade
- Glendale/Riverside on both sides of Glendale, currently under construction/upgrade
- Glendale/Smokey...on both sides of Glendale

Stops at Glendale/Metropolitan, Glendale/Riverside and Glendale/McDougall have been temporarily relocated due to construction of the new sidewalk. A notice has been placed at the bus stops advising passengers where to get the bus. In each case a temporary stop has been placed. Once the work is complete, the shelters will be re-installed. This will be complete by October 14th at the latest.

Stormwater Systems

In conjunction with other capital projects along Glendale Drive, Halifax Water has completed several stormwater system upgrades as well. These include new culverts and pipes to direct and ensure that stormwater flows from private property and HRM infrastructure into First Lake. Large stones have also been strategically placed to mitigate erosion.

New Sidewalk

Currently underway, one of the bigger capital projects to happen along Glendale is the new sidewalk installation from Metropolitan to MacDougall on Glendale. This will be completed this construction season.