PROJECT INFORMATION:

To designate a portion of Don Bayer Park as an off-leash dog area pursuant to Administrative Order 2017-013-OP. (https://www.halifax.ca/city-hall/legislation-by-laws)

PROPOSAL: On January 16, 2018 Regional Council approved Administrative Order 2017-013-OP respecting off-leash dog areas within parks. The Administrative Order guides decision making around the management and operation of existing off-leash, areas and the establishment of future off-leash areas. Regional Council also directed staff to identify potential additional off-leash areas within the communities of Cole Harbour, Eastern Passage, Spryfield and Dartmouth.

As part of this review staff are currently investigating Don Bayer Park at 26 Troop Ave in Burnside as a potential off-leash area to serve the community of Dartmouth. Don Bayer Park is a 5.4 hectare (13 acre) park located at the corner of Burnside Drive and Akerley Blvd. It contains a baseball diamond and sports field and has served as a seasonal off-leash area (November 1 – May 1).

As part of the designation process staff are seeking public feedback on the suitability of a portion of the park for a year-round, dedicated off-leash area. See map below.

The decision to designate a portion of Don Bayer Park as a year-round off-leash area is subject to the approval of Regional Council. Staff will be providing a recommendation to Regional Council via a staff report following public consultation.

If you have comments, concerns or questions regarding this proposal please feel free to contact Jacqueline Belisle (contact information below). It is asked that feedback be submitted prior to July 16, 2018.

DISTRICT: 6 (Harbourview – Burnside – Dartmouth East) Councillor Tony Mancini

SITE INFORMATION: Don Bayer Park - 26 Troop Ave, Dartmouth



For further information, please contact **Jacqueline Belisle**, Real Property Policy Coordinator, 902-490-3970, belislj@halifax.ca or visit https://www.halifax.ca/off-leash