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TEMPORARY BARRIERS ON ROSEDALE

I have heard many concerns from residents about the intersection at Dutch Village Road and Rosedale Avenue. Whether it's poor visibility for drivers, lack of sidewalks, pedestrian hazards, congested parking, or the July 2022

tightness of the new buildings to the corners of the intersection, this intersection has issues! It took me a year, but the unique zoning rules that allowed new buildings on Dutch Village Road (like the two at the bottom of Rosedale) to use 100% of their lots have been changed. From now on, there must be setbacks on the front and sides of new buildings on Dutch Village Road.



While getting that zoning change, I worked with HRM staff to address residents' safety concerns at Rosedale and Dutch Village. The solution is temporary cement barriers with reflective posts, installed in June. The barriers not only mark out the intersection, they improve visibility, reduce illegal parking and outline a safer zone for pedestrians in the absence of sidewalks.





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Along with the temporary barriers, the crosswalk is safer thanks to the RRFB (Rapid Rectangular Flashing Beacon) installed here in March 2022.

Looking ahead, Dutch Village Road is scheduled to be rebuilt starting in 2023. At that point, the temporary barriers on Rosedale will be replaced by sidewalks, curbs, and parallel parking spots.

SCHOOL ZONE TRAFFIC CALMING IN PROGRESS

Construction has started for the traffic calming measures on Clayton Park Drive and Plateau Crescent.



Three speed tables have been installed so far and another three are on the way. Speed tables are wider and flatter than speed humps. They are often used in school zones because they are more manageable for school buses but still effective at slowing other vehicles.

Although I advocated for traffic calming around schools, I want to reassure residents that I don't decide where the speed humps and speed tables go. I'm not qualified to do that. The position of the speed humps is determined by HRM's road safety experts and engineers, who take into consideration the slope of the roads, as well as proximity to intersections, crosswalks and driveways.

District 10 is getting one other traffic calming project this year, on Castle Hill Drive near Grosvenor Wentworth school, to be installed later this summer. I will continue to advocate for solutions for the traffic and parking issues at Rockingham Elementary.

UPGRADES FOR PIERCEY FIELD

If you recognize this park at the corner of Willett and Frederick, you're probably a baseball fan or a baseball parent or both. Piercey Field has two baseball diamonds, both in the top 10 of HRM's most-used. Almost any summer evening you'll find teams playing here. They're mostly young players, giving it their all.



Even though they are in high demand, Piercey Field's ball diamonds hadn't been getting much attention and were looking worn out. Last year I started working with HRM Parks and Rec staff to get some upgrades. Since then, the old wooden bleachers have been replaced with new metal ones. The backstop fencing is new and the pitcher mounds were fixed. It's a whole new ball game here this summer.

Piercey Field is the largest of three public parks in Fairview and I'd like to see it serve a greater variety of people. Sometimes small things can make a difference, like picnic tables (I had 4 installed in June) or some shade

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trees. What else could be added? More benches, a community garden or a mini skatepark? I'm looking for ways to make this park and all the parks in our district more attractive, more sociable and more fun for more people. I welcome your suggestions at Kathryn.morse@halifax.ca

TITUS PARK FUN AND GAMES

HRM's REC Van will be at Titus Park (44 Vimy near Lacewood) once a week all summer. The REC Van provides equipment for more than fifty different activities and sports, including baseball, basketball, soccer, washer toss, giant checkers, archery, skipping, and more. Give them all a try! Find the van on Tuesdays from 10 am-noon.

And on Wednesdays at Titus Park from July 13th to August 24th, there will be arts, crafts and games led by youth teams from St. Andrews Recreation Centre. Drop by from 11am -2 pm for button making, bracelet making, colouring and spike ball.

SUMMER BREAKFAST PROGRAM

Calvin Presbyterian Church is offering a breakfast program for kids over the summer, to help fill the gaps while school breakfast programs are closed. Breakfast foods and snacks will be available for pickup on Saturday mornings at 3311 Ashburn Avenue (near Joe Howe and Dutch Village). For details and to pre-register contact the church at calvinforkids@calvinhalifax.ca.

CENTENNIAL WALL OF FAME

The board of the Centennial Arena recently honoured manager Stuart Poteri by adding his photo to the rink's Wall of Fame. Stuart has dedicated more than 40 years to Centennial Arena and through the pandemic kept it going with extraordinary dedication. Fortunately for the

many hockey players, figure skaters, seniors and others who enjoy the rink, Stuart shows no signs of slowing down. Although not one to seek the limelight, Stuart seemed pleased to see his photo on the Wall of Fame, along with the photo of his late father Jack.

INSTA FOR HRM TEENS AND TWENTY SOMETHINGS

If you're between 13-24 and looking for things to do this summer, check out ahfxnextgen! It's a new Instagram account for youth in the Halifax region. Get in on everything the municipality offers for teens and twenty somethings including: free programs & events, leadership opportunities, job postings, safe and inclusive spaces, training, work experience and lots more! instagram.com/hfxnextgen

WEEKLY GREEN CART PICKUP IS BACK

Just a reminder: **starting Monday, July 4,** weekly green cart service resumes for July, August, and September.

FREE FARES FRIDAYS AND FREE SAIL SATURDAYS

Halifax Transit will be offering free transit service (that's buses, ferry, and Access-A-Bus) on FRIDAYS and free Alderney ferry service on SATURDAYS this summer from July 1-August 31! This was approved by Regional Council in April 2022 with the goal of encouraging both former and new riders to take transit. Visit www.halifax.ca/freefares and check out all the Transit routes and schedules.

COMMUNITY GRANTS PROGRAM SURVEY

The municipality's Community Grants Program is being reviewed and updated to better serve our community. This survey is particularly intended to seek feedback non-profit organizations or charities located within the



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Halifax Regional Municipality but is open for all residents to provide feedback. Here is the link to the survey: https://www.halifax.ca/home/surveys

The Community Grants Program supports the contribution of volunteers in providing a range of leisure, learning, and recreational opportunities for residents and the provision of programs, services, and amenities to enhance public safety and the well-being of individuals and families with special needs. The Program also supports the principles of diversity and inclusivity.

FIREWORKS

Just a reminder that consumer fireworks (recreational fireworks purchased at a store) are only permitted on Canada Day, Natal Day (Aug 1, 2022) and New Year's Eve. Fireworks have an impact on our neighbors and their pets, the environment, and wildlife. Noise from fireworks can have a long-lasting negative impacts on people who suffer from some mental health disorders. The noise can be terrifying for pets and wildlife.

Consumer fireworks on private property are also subject to burning by-laws. If there are any burn restrictions in place, fireworks are prohibited as open-air burning is prohibited. Consumer fireworks are always banned when the provincial Burn Safe map is red ("no burn"), even during a designated holiday where fireworks are allowed: https://novascotia.ca/burnsafe/

If you witness or suspect a dangerous situation due to the fireworks (i.e. fireworks being used during a fire ban, in a hazardous area, causing an immediate risk of fire, etc.) please call 911 as with any fire or safety hazard. If it is not an immediate safety concern but a violation of the HRM noise by-law, please contact Halifax Regional Police (HRP). Call 902-490-5020 to report incidents that require an officer to come to the scene, including noise complaints in-progress. For general, non-urgent questions or concerns regarding the use of fireworks in

our municipality, please contact **311.** For fireworks safety information and more, please visit halifax.ca/fireworks.

ENJOY HRM'S SPLASHPADS, BEACHES AND OUTDOOR POOLS

Bring on summer... some splashpads, beaches, and outdoor pools are now open for the season!

Some NOW:

- ~ Bedford and Cole Harbour outdoor pools
- ~ Halifax Common splashpad
- ~ Supervised municipal beaches such as Kearney Lake Beach
- ~ Bayers-Westwood splashpad
- ~ George Dixon splashpad
- ~ Isleville Street splashpad
- ~ Westmount & Sackville splashpads
- ~ Plus, FREE indoor swims at the Needham pool all summer long!

Visit halifax.ca/beaches for full schedule and details!

PARKING TICKET FORGIVENESS

Parking violations will be waived until September 30th with proof of purchase at a local business! If a resident or visitor makes a \$35+ purchase at a business and receives a parking ticket – the ticket can be submitted along with a receipt from the local business to have the ticket reversed. Learn more details and submit online for ticket reversal.

Receipts must be submitted online within five business days of ticket issuance, and only one ticket may be cancelled per person per week. Regional Council approved this Parking Ticket Forgiveness initiative as part of the COVID Business Recovery package.



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GRAND OASIS FESTIVAL AT GRAND PARADE ALL SUMMER!

HRM's Civic Events team is bringing you 15 weeks of FREE music, art, and culture at Grand Parade! Check out all the details on the #GrandOasis website www.halifax.ca/grandoasis and follow www.facebook.com/hfxcivicevents



Over 50 artists will perform throughout the summer. The amazing lineup includes Alan Doyle, Classified, Joel Plaskett, Neon Dreams (on Canada Day), Ria Mae, The Stanfields, and more! Grand Oasis is in the has limited capacity - reserve your free pass today.

PORT PLAN 2070

The Port of Halifax released its 50-year plan recently, outlining where it expects to expand. Most of the growth is planned for the South End terminal, rather than Fairview Cove, because the South End can handle much larger vessels. At the Fairview Terminal, the focus is on improving access and efficiency through the planned Windsor Street Exchange redevelopment project, currently in the design phase. Construction is expected to start in 2024/25.

ENJOY THE NEW PICNIC TABLES AT DISTRICT 10 PARKS!



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