# **BUSINESS PARKS**Q REPORT

## **HALIFAX**

3rd QUARTER - FISCAL 2016 - 2017

HALIFAX REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY

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# **Quarterly report Market view**

Courtesy of:



- Net absorption was negative (83,313 sq. ft.)...the majority of this absorption came from the addition of large chunks of space in the Dartmouth/Bedford market.
- The Halifax economy performed well throughout 2016 with growth in the range of 2.6%, the third strongest performing economy in the country behind Vancouver and Toronto.
- There has been a substantial (30%) increase in the activity at the Port over the past twelve months.

The Halifax Port Authority has commenced a significant master planning exercise to prepare for the arrival of 'ultra class' containerized ships.

 Sublease space increased quarterover-quarter to 57,018 sq. ft. from 13,366...sublease space now accounts for 5% of total space.

#### **Quick Stats**

CHANGE FROM LAST			1LAST
INDUSTRIAL MARKET	CURRENT	QTR.	YR.
AVAILABILITY RATE (%) 11.6%			
NET RENT (PSF)	\$7.87	lacksquare	
NET ABSORPTION* (SF) -83,313		lacksquare	lacksquare
CONSTRUCTION (SF)	46,500		<b>V</b>

\* The arrows are trend indicators over the specified time period and do not represent a positive or negative value. (eg. absorption could be negative, but still represent a positive trend over a specified period.)

#### **Recent Development**





age service, and office and community space.

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#### **Development Cont'd.**



Construction is moving right along for Crossman Construction Limited on their building on Burbridge Avenue in Burnside Park, where they're developing a 4,500 sq. ft. office / warehouse facility.

# Lot 1277

Oldham Engineers Inc. broke ground at this 80,689 sq. ft. lot on Cutler Avenue in Burnside Park, where they're building a 10,240 sq. ft. facility for Pantel International Inc.

Pantel designs and manufactures dispatch consoles and radio telecommunication systems for the emergency services and utilities sector.



Signs are visible of the Higney Avenue extension where it will intersect with Wilkinson Avenue at Jennett Avenue.

This work is part of phase 12-6 which will provide for approximately 45 net acres of new industrial lot inventory, and is anticipated for completion in early summer.

#### **3rd Quarter Sales**

Lot 12-5-01 Wilkinson Avenue - O'Regan Properties Limited purchased this 564,152 sq. ft. lot in the newly developed area of Phase 12-5 in Burnside Park. They plan to build a 46,772 sq. ft. two-storey warehouse and distribution facility for new vehicle storage, pre-delivery new inspection, used car repairs and reconditioning.

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