HALIFAX

ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
DRAFT MINUTES
October 22, 2026

PRESENT: Milena Khazanavicius, Vice Chair
Councillor John Young
Adelaide Burkam
Edson Castillo
Geoff Hurst
Rosanne LeBlanc
Simone Mutabazi
Elizabeth Pugh
Kent Speiran
Mojdeh Sharafi

STAFF: Mark Nener, Supervisor, Active Transportation Planning
Chintushig Boldsukh, Legislative Assistant

These minutes are considered draft and will require approval by Active Transportation Advisory Committee at a future meeting.

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1. CALL TO ORDER AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Vice Chair called the meeting to order at 4:35 p.m. and acknowledged that the meeting took place in the traditional and ancestral territory of the Mi'kmaq people, and that we are all treaty people.

1.1 African Nova Scotian Affirmation

At the request of the Vice Chair, Chintushig Boldsukh, Legislative Assistant led the Committee in the African Nova Scotian Affirmation.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – September 17, 2026

MOVED by Councillor Young, seconded by Adelaide Burkam

THAT the minutes of September 17, 2026 be approved as circulated.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

3. APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF BUSINESS AND APPROVAL OF ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS

Additions: None

Deletions: None

MOVED by Elizabeth Pugh, seconded by Rosanne LeBlanc

THAT the agenda be approved as presented.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

4. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES – NONE

5. CALL FOR DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTERESTS – NONE

6. CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS – NONE

7. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS
7.1 Correspondence

Correspondence was received and circulated for item: 9.1.2

For a detailed list of correspondence received refer to the specific agenda item.

7.2 Petitions – None
7.3 Presentation – None

8. INFORMATION ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD – NONE

9. REPORTS/DISCUSSION
9.1 STAFF
9.1.1 Active Transportation Update

Mark Nener, Supervisor of Active Transportation Planning provided an update on ongoing projects from the Active Transportation unit.

9.1.2 HRM Road Safety

The following was before the Committee:

- Staff presentation dated October 22, 2026

Jill Morrison, Manager of Traffic Services and Road Safety and Sam Trask, Supervisor, Road Safety & Transportation gave a presentation and responded to questions of clarification from the Committee.

MOVED by Edson Castillo, seconded by Adelaide Burkam

That the Active Transportation Advisory Committee recommend that the Transportation Standing Committee request the Chief Administrative Officer to direct staff to prepare a staff report addressing:

1. **The Vision Zero Kjipuktuk-Halifax report and recommendations, in consultation with the Road Safety Steering Committee and the HRM Road Safety Vision Team Lead:**

    a. **How the findings and recommendations of Vision Zero Kjipuktuk-Halifax align with HRM's current Road Safety Vision and whether amendments, enhancements, or additional performance measures should be considered to ensure the framework remains responsive and evidence-based addressing;**

    b. **Opportunities to strengthen collaboration among HRM, the Province of Nova Scotia, policing agencies, health agencies, advocacy organizations, accessibility groups, and other road safety stakeholders in support of eliminating traffic-related deaths and serious injuries;**

    c. **The feasibility of adopting a long-term target of zero fatal and serious injury road crashes by 2035, including resource implications, implementation requirements, and performance measures;**

    d. **The feasibility of developing a comprehensive Vision Zero Road Safety Action Plan, including measurable targets, implementation timelines, public and stakeholder engagement, and regular public reporting on progress.**

2. **Review current collision and roadway safety data practices and provide recommendations regarding:**

    a. **The collection, analysis, and use of near-miss or "close call" data to identify high-risk locations before serious injuries and fatalities occur;**

    b. **How such data could be integrated into HRM's road safety planning, safe streets implementation programs, and infrastructure prioritization processes.**

3. **Identify and prioritize high-risk roads and intersections using collision, near-miss, and vulnerable road user data, and evaluate potential near-term safety improvements, including:**

    a. **Tactical and low-cost safety measures such as bollards, curb extensions, and road space reallocation;**

    b. **Protected signal phases and pedestrian scramble crossings where warranted;**

c. Restrictions on right turns on red at locations with demonstrated pedestrian and cyclist safety concerns.

4. Review accessibility-related road safety concerns affecting visually impaired and partially sighted residents, including existing infrastructure and intersection design, and provide recommendations for improvements and prioritization.

5. Review HRM's public education and awareness initiatives related to road safety and identify opportunities to enhance public understanding of Vision Zero principles, safe road user behaviour, and shared responsibility for reducing deaths and serious injuries.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

MOVED by Milena Khazanavicius, seconded by Edson Castillo

THAT the meeting be extended past 6:30 p.m.

MOTION PUT AND DEFEATED.

9.1.3 North End Complete Streets

The following was before the Committee:

- Staff presentation dated October 22, 2026

Anders Turim, Active Transportation Planning and Garrett Donaher, Transportation Engineer, Viaris Engineering gave a presentation.

10. ADDED ITEMS – NONE

11. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – November 26, 2026

12. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Chintushig Boldsukh
Legislative Assistant