

# Councillor Russell Walker District 10

Halifax - Bedford Basin West



## Moving Forward Together – Metro Transit Five Year Service Plan

Metro Transit will be engaging residents to discuss topics related to public transit in HRM; why it's important, and how you believe it should grow in the next five years. The results will be used to establish the community's goals and aspirations for the future of transit in the region, and will direct the development of Metro Transit Five Year Service Plan. This is your chance to make an impact; it's your transit system, and it's time for us to move forward together.

Public sessions are scheduled for September 9 (St. Agnes Church Hall), September 11 (Sackville Legion), and September 12 (Holiday Inn, Dartmouth). Sessions will be held in both the afternoon and evening on these dates. More information about the public meetings, and about online engagement, will be available in the coming weeks. For more information, please contact [movingforward@halifax.ca](mailto:movingforward@halifax.ca).

## Innovative Apps4Halifax Contest to be Launched

HRM is launching an innovative open data application contest in August.

The open data application contest idea grew from Council's decision last fall to provide free access for the public to 17 sets of HRM databases on a pilot project basis. Databases from civic addresses to crime stats, to bus stops to garbage collection routes are now available online. As part of the pilot project, HRM will host a "Apps4Halifax" contest to inspire the development of innovative and user-friendly applications using HRM data.

The contest will feature four categories including: "Keep her moving" - for all aspects of transportation; "Live It Up" - culture & recreation; "Going Green" environmental initiatives like recycling; and "Your City" for general data like crime stats, etc. One of the requirements with the contest will be that at least one of HRM's data sets are used. However, apps developers may apply outside data from provincial sources, and others, and are not just restricted to one of the 17 sets of data released by HRM for the app development for the contest. The idea phase will be floated in August, with the actual



contest to run from September through November. The contest deadline for submissions is December 1, 2013, with winners being announced in January 2014. The judging panel for the contest will consist of industry professionals, academics, a Councillor, the Mayor and possibly a celebrity judge.

Following an evaluation of the initial data release and results of the application contest, HRM staff will bring forward a report to Regional Council with recommendations on how to move forward on expanding HRM's open data program. Check out <http://www.apps4halifax.ca> for more information.



The Halifax Pride Festival will take place from July 18 – 28 with the Pride Parade on July 27 at 1:30 pm. For information about the Pride Festival and a list of events, please visit <http://halifaxpride.com/pride-festival/>

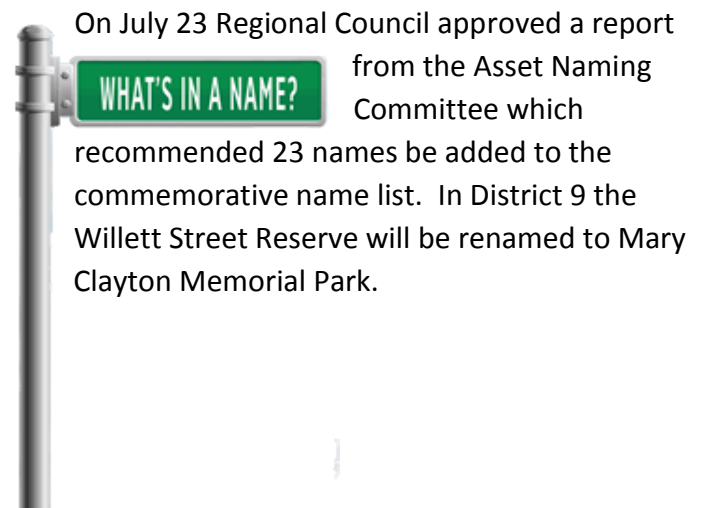
## New Lacewood Bus Terminal



On Tuesday, July 23, Halifax Regional Council approved a new \$8-million bus terminal on Lacewood Drive.

The proposed site would be built between the Canada Games Centre and Mainland North Linear Parkway Trail. This site provides opportunities for active transportation connections, as well as enhances the level of public transit available at the Mainland Common for uses such as the Keshen Goodman Library, Canada Games Centre, baseball diamonds, Halifax West High School, Soccer Nova Scotia, and passive recreational opportunities.

There is also significant existing and potential ridership within close proximity to the site terminal.



On July 23 Regional Council approved a report from the Asset Naming Committee which recommended 23 names be added to the commemorative name list. In District 9 the Willett Street Reserve will be renamed to Mary Clayton Memorial Park.

**Watch for the Grand Opening...details to follow at a later date!**

Mary Clayton was born in England on May 23, 1819. She and her husband immigrated to Halifax in 1863 with their seven children. Her husband passed away a year later leaving Mary a widow with seven young children. Mary established a second-hand clothing business in their home. Over the years, M. Clayton & Sons grew to become a thriving business. In 1895 they built a five story factory at the corner of Barrington and Jacob Streets (now Scotia Square). It was the largest clothing manufacturer east of Montreal, and employed between 400 and 500

people in the best equipped clothing factory in Canada. The company offered innovative profit-sharing, and medical and savings plans for their employees, unusual for the time. During both World Wars, Clayton & Sons contributed to the war effort by manufacturing uniforms for the armed forces. In 1904, the Clayton family built a summer home in the southern end of Rockingham Village, which was later converted into a permanent residence. In 1959, the property was sold to developers, who planned and built a new subdivision, appropriately named Clayton Park. Mary Clayton died in 1907.

### Is there a deadline for applications?

No, applications are accepted throughout the year. A committee reviews each application and makes recommendations to Regional Council who approve all name suggestions twice a year. Approved names will either be used immediately or put on a commemorative names list for future use.

If you have any questions or would like more information, visit

<http://www.halifax.ca/civicaddress/NameHRM.html>

Call: 902-490-5347

E-mail: [civicadd@halifax.ca](mailto:civicadd@halifax.ca)



Did you know that HRM has almost 6000 streets, many of which are rich in history and paint a picture of our past? As the municipality continues to grow, new streets, parks, sports fields, and buildings all require names. Keep the tradition of naming alive and play an important role in building HRM by submitting names of notable people or groups, historic events, geographic features, or native flora and fauna. Your submission could be on a street sign or a new park in your community.

### Who can apply?

Anyone can apply for a commemorative name.

### Where will the names be used?

We are looking for names for streets, parks, park features, buildings, commercial vessels and ferries in HRM. New developments will pick 50% of their street names from our list of commemorative names. Applicants can specify the communities where they would like to see their name applied.

### Free In-Line Skating at the Emera Oval

HRM is pleased to offer free in-line skating at the Emera Oval on the North Common. Regional Council approved the program that allows residents to borrow in-line skates, helmets, wrist guards and knee pads for free. A valid Government issued photo ID is required to borrow the inline skates and helmets. Participants that are in-line skating or cycling on the Emera Oval must wear a helmet, according to provincial regulations.





There are opportunities for public in-line skates each day during the summer, until August 31. Public skates are weather dependent, and special events may be taking place at the Emera Oval, so residents are encouraged to visit [skatehrm.ca](http://skatehrm.ca) to view a calendar with in-line skate times, as well as other events. The Emera Oval hotline 490-2347, will be regularly updated with schedule changes. The Emera Oval is also open daily for general recreational use.

## Fall Recreation Programs

The Fall Recreation Program registration opens on August 14. For more information, please visit <http://www.halifax.ca/rec/ProgramsandActivities.html>

## School Review Committee Seeks Public Input

The Department of Education and Early Childhood Development has formed a committee to develop a new school review process. The committee has been tasked with developing a discussion paper by September and is currently seeking public input on potential changes.



Nova Scotians can submit their suggestions online at [www.ednet.ns.ca/discussionpaperinput](http://www.ednet.ns.ca/discussionpaperinput), send it to [discussionpaper@gov.ns.ca](mailto:discussionpaper@gov.ns.ca) or mail it to:

School Review Process Committee  
c/o Corporate Policy  
Department of Education and Early Childhood  
Development Box 578  
2021 Brunswick Street  
Halifax, NS B3J 2S9

The deadline for submissions is July 31. Once a discussion paper has been drafted it will be made public and feedback from parents, school boards, communities and municipalities will be sought before any decision is made. A new school review process is expected to be in place by next spring.

Halifax Regional  
**POLICE**

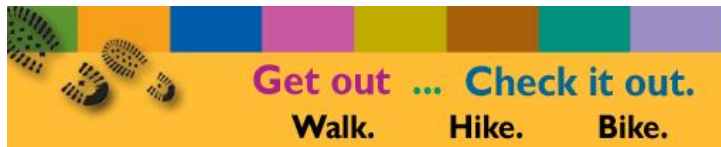
Emergency 9-1-1 Non-Emergency Dispatch 490-5020 Incident Reporting 490-5016



With the beautiful summer weather upon us, HRM Partners in Policing remind the public not to leave valuables in a vehicle while it's unattended, especially at parks, beaches or hiking areas.

Every summer, when people are visiting beaches, parks and hiking areas, there's an increase in the number of thefts from vehicles parked at those locations. These thefts are generally a crime of opportunity, with the sight of items being a temptation for would-be thieves. Police recommend that citizens remove all items from their vehicles. If it's absolutely necessary to leave items in your vehicle, they should be locked in the trunk out of plain view before arriving at your destination.

Anyone observing suspicious activity in or around parked vehicles should report it to police immediately at 490-5020.



HRM has many great trails for residents to enjoy this summer. The trail system is supported by a fantastic group of community volunteers. For further information on trails including directions and accessibility information please visit: <http://www.halifax.ca/trails/index.html>

Commission, the Centre for Arts and Technology, in association with Music Nova Scotia, and with support of The Coast.

For the complete concert series lineup visit [www.halifax.ca/tunesatnoon](http://www.halifax.ca/tunesatnoon).

### Tunes at Noon Summer Concert

Beginning Wednesday, July 24, HRM residents and visitors are invited to Grand Parade in downtown Halifax to enjoy the 6th Annual Tunes at Noon Summer Concert Series.

### Natal Day Festival

This year's events will be held from July 31 – August 5. For more information and a list of events, please visit [www.natalday.org](http://www.natalday.org)



Happy Natal Day Weekend!

The weekly summer concert series will feature Nova Scotia performers in many genres of music. Concerts will run on various dates (weather permitting) from July 24 to August 30, 12 – 1 p.m. in the Grand Parade.



Open 7 days a week from 7:00 am to 11:00 pm except Christmas Day and New Year's Day

## Build It!

Build a model of your dream home  
At the Canadian Museum of Immigration at Pier 21

## Bâtissons !

Construire une maquette de votre  
maison de rêve  
Au Musée canadien de l'immigration du Quai 21



- Get creative and use your imagination
- Explore immigration and architecture

Wednesday, August 21 | 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
For 8 to 12 year olds | FREE

Day camps and youth groups welcome

Lunch is provided | Space is limited | Presented in English

Register by August 14 by emailing [mritchie@pier21.ca](mailto:mritchie@pier21.ca) with:  
parent/guardian name, email, phone number and participant  
name

- Faire preuve de créativité et d'imagination
- Réfléchir sur les thèmes de l'immigration et de l'architecture

Mercredi le 21 août | de 9 h à 16 h  
Pour les jeunes de 8 à 12 ans | GRATUIT

Les camps de jour et les groupes de jeunes  
sont les bienvenus

Le lunch est gratuit | Le nombre de places est limité | Présenté en anglais  
Pour vous inscrire d'ici le 14 août envoyez un courriel à [mritchie@caai21.ca](mailto:mritchie@caai21.ca)  
avec : nom du parent ou tuteur, courriel, numéro de téléphone et nom du  
participant

1055 chemin Marginal Road  
Halifax, NS | [www.pier21.ca](http://www.pier21.ca) | [www.quai21.ca](http://www.quai21.ca)



Canadian Museum of Immigration at Pier 21  
Musée canadien de l'immigration du Quai 21



### Build It!

Looking for some creative summer fun for youth 8 to 12 years old? Look no further than the Canadian Museum of Immigration at Pier 21's Build It! Program. Youth will get together, get creative and use their imagination to **build a model of their dream home**.

Inspired by *Migrating Landscapes*, the temporary exhibition at the Museum, Build It! encourages youth to think about the **themes of immigration and architecture** in Canada in a fun, hands-on way. The day will include group activities, a visit to the *Migrating Landscapes* exhibition and a presentation from guest speaker Vincent Van Den Brink, Architect and Partner at *Breakhouse* in Halifax.

**Who:** Youth ages 8 to 12 years old

**Where:** Canadian Museum of Immigration at Pier 21, 1055 Marginal Road, Halifax

**When:** Wednesday, August 21, 2013 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

**Cost:** Free. Lunch is provided.

Visit [www.pier21.ca](http://www.pier21.ca) for details.

**Day camps and youth groups are welcome.**

All program facilitators have completed Criminal Record Checks. Build It! is presented in English. Space is limited. **To register**, please contact Matthew Ritchie, Youth Public Programs Coordinator by **August 14** at [mritchie@pier21.ca](mailto:mritchie@pier21.ca) with the following information: parent/guardian name, email, phone number and participant name.

If you have any questions please contact Matthew by telephone at (902) 425-7770 ext. 263 or via email at [mritchie@pier21.ca](mailto:mritchie@pier21.ca).

## Alarmed and Ready

**Alarmed and Ready Program  
Free Smoke Alarm Program**

The purpose of the program is to provide a means through which a smoke alarm can be obtained, free of charge, by those who need one. To place a request call: 902-490-5590

Remember:

A Smoke Alarm Is Such A Small Investment  
The Reward May Be Your Life

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