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May 15, 2006

Councillor Bradley Johns Halifax Regional Municipality PO Box 1749 Halifax, NS B3J 3A5

Dear Councillor Johns:

RE: Pedestrians Crossing Highway 101

Thank you for your letter of May 05, 2006.

The issue of pedestrian safety devices (sidewalks, crosswalks, signals, pedways, etc.) is primarily under the jurisdiction of the Municipality. The proposed pedway from Highway Park to Burnside is an HRM initiative and a similar structure at Sackville would have to follow the same course of evolution.

Our Department would be pleased to work with the Municipality in finding a mutually acceptable method and location for pedestrians to access the Metro Transit Terminal.

Feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Yours truly,

Robert R.Bieren, P. Eng.

Bob Bieren

Area Manager, Halifax Suburban

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cc: Peter Merritt, District Director-Central

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May 5, 2006

Mr. Bob Bieren District Manager Department of Transportation PO Box 44144 Bedford, NS B4A 3X5

Re: Pedestrians Crossing Highway 101

Dear Mr. Bieren:

At the April 27, 2006 meeting North West Community Council considered concerns raised by the North West Transit Advisory Committee. The North West Transit Advisory Committee is concerned with pedestrians crossing Highway 101 to access the new Sackville Transit Terminal.

Attached is a copy of the report from the North West Transit Advisory Committee. North West Community Council is requesting that consideration be given to this matter.

Respectfully,

Touncillor Johns

Chair, North West Community Council

cc: Mr. Dave Wilson, MLA, Sackville/Cobequid

Mr. Barry Barnett, MLA, Hammonds Plains/Upper Sackville

Mr. Mike Labreque, Director, Transportation and Public Works

Mr. Ken Reashor, Manager Traffic Authority

Mr. Ken Silver, Manager Transit Planning and Development

North West Community Council

Attachment



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NORTH WEST COMMUNITY COUNCIL March 23, 2006

TO:

North West Community Council

FROM:

Phillip Cox, Chair

North West Transit Advisory Committee

DATE:

February 16, 2006

SUBJECT:

Pedestrian s Crossing Series 100 Highway

ORIGIN

February 15, 2006 meeting of he Northwest Transit Advisory Committee.

RECOMMENDATION:

The North West Transit Advisory Committee recommends that the North West Community Council:

Request that the appropriate HRM and Provincial Government Departments address the issue of public safety by providing a safe means to traverse the Old Sackville Road/Beaverbank Road/Walker Service Road/Beaverbank On/Off Ramp due to the expected increase in frequency of pedestrians crossing to the new Metro Transit Terminal.

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The issue of pedestrians crossing the 100 Series Highway, to access the Sackville Transit Terminal at Downsview and the new Metro Link Terminal located near the Wheaton's property, has raised a concern for public safety. The Committee's concern is growing due to the expected increase in pedestrian traffic due to the introduction of the Metro Link at this location.

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DISCUSSION

BACKGROUND

The Northwest Transit Advisory Committee has noted grave concern with the number of persons crossing the Highway to access the terminal. It has been suggested that perhaps a pedway be installed, similar to the proposed pedway from Highfield Park to Burnside in Dartmouth, to enable pedestrians to safely traverse this area.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS:

Unknown at this time.

ALTERNATIVES:

 Northwest Community Council may choose to consider other options to enable the public to safely cross this area.

ATTACHMENTS:

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