

Subdivision Bylaw Amendment Public Hearing

Planning & Development Department

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Overview of Amendments

- The original 2002 Subdivision Bylaw required:
 - sidewalks to be built on **both** sides of the road for new arterial roads, and
 - one sidewalk to be built on **one** side of the road for new collector roads

(Appendix B – Municipal Services Standards & Specifications, Part 2 – Street Specifications, subsection 12)

- In 2008, the Bylaw was amended to remove the requirement for sidewalks to be built on collector roads.

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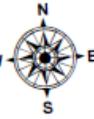
Sidewalks shall be incorporated into the construction of new arterial roadways as per the following:

Arterial Roadways - Both Sides **(Amended January 2008)**

MUNICIPAL PLANNING STRATEGY

Transportation Map, Map #2

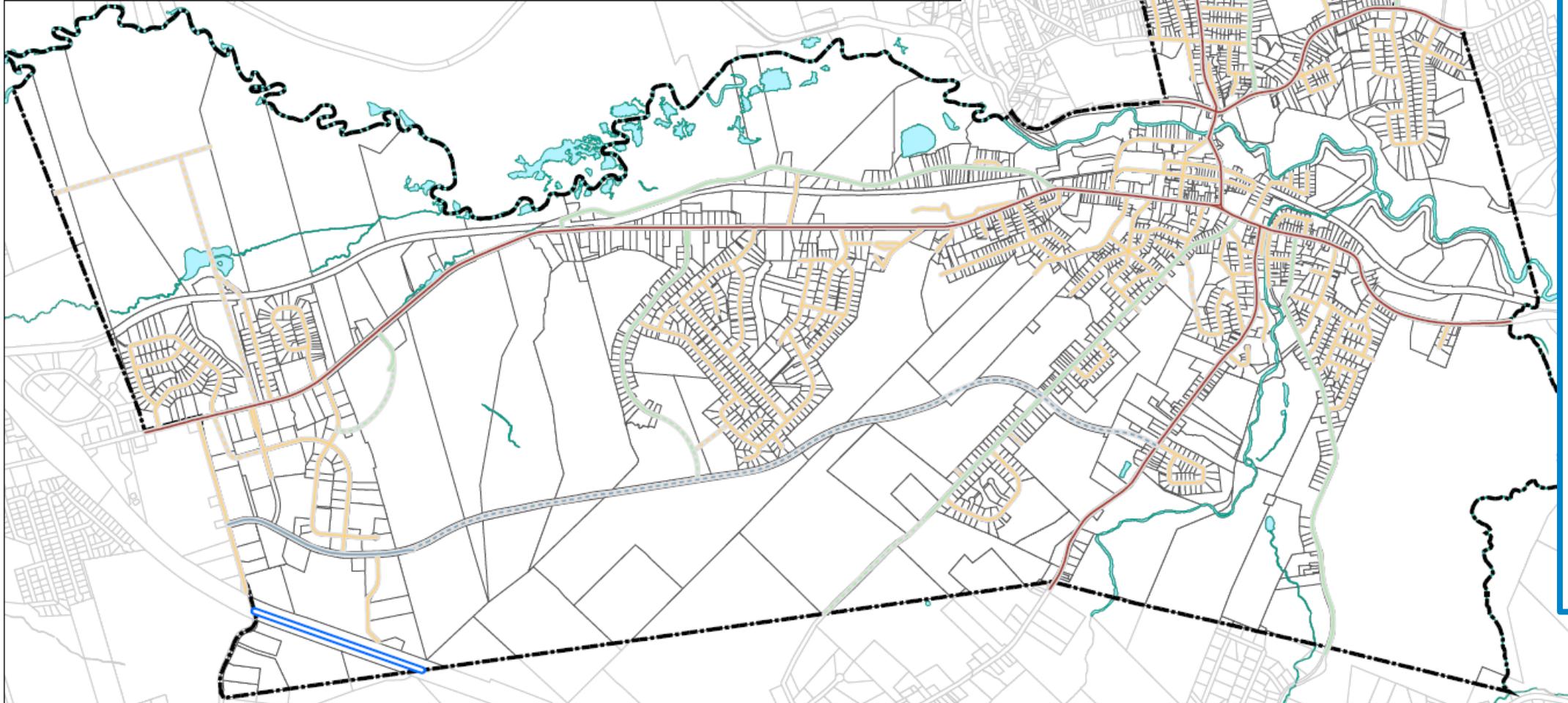
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| Regional Road | Minor Collector |
| Arterial Highway | Future Minor Collector |
| Future Arterial | Local Street |
| Major Collector | Future Local Street |
| Future Major Collector | |

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 160 Willow Street, Amherst, N.S.



- Major Collector**
- Main St/Park St
- Chester Ave
- Cornwallis St
- Belcher St
- Nichols Ave
- Brooklyn St

- Minor Collector**
- Shylah Dr
- Acadia Dr
- West Main St
- Prospect Ave
- Canaan Ave
- Oakdene Ave

- Arterial**
- Donald E Hiltz
- Connector Road

Overview of Amendments



- In 2019, an Active Transportation Plan was created by Upland Planning.
- As part of the Plan, Upland provided the Town with policy recommendations to consider, ensuring that our planning documents aligned with the goals and objectives of the Active Transportation Plan.
- One of the recommendations was to amend section 2.12 of the Subdivision Bylaw to require sidewalks on Collector Roads:

2.12 Sidewalks shall be incorporated into the construction of new arterial **and collector** roadways as per the following:

Arterial Roadways - Both Sides

Collector Roadways - Both Sides

Overview of Amendments

- Planning staff evaluated the existing bylaw, recommendations from Upland and considered future plans for development in Town and had crafted initial amendments.
- On May 25th, staff held a Public Participation Meeting, inviting residents to come forward with their opinions on the matter. 3 residents attended the meeting in person and 2 people were in attendance via Zoom.
- Residents spoke about the importance of not just considering sidewalks but considering multi-use pathways as well.

Overview of Amendments

- Staff have taken all points into consideration and have recommended the following comprehensive amendments to the Subdivision Bylaw (newly added words are bolded for clarity):

PART 3: DEFINITIONS

(l)(a) Multi-Use Pathways are spaces that are shared by cyclists and pedestrians, which are separated from traffic by a grassed median, curb or similar.

APPENDIX B – MUNICIPAL SERVICES STANDARDS & SPECIFICATIONS, PART 2 – STREET SPECIFICATION, SECTION 2.12:

2.12 Sidewalks **or Multi-Use Pathways** shall be incorporated into the construction of new **collector and** arterial roadways as per the following:

Arterial Roadways – **Sidewalks on Both Sides or Multi-Use Pathway on One Side**

Collector Roadways – **Sidewalk or Multi-Use Pathway on One Side**

Overview of Amendments

- Staff have taken all points into consideration and have recommended the following comprehensive amendments to the Subdivision Bylaw (newly added words are bolded for clarity):

PART 8A: MULTI-USE PATHWAY SPECIFICATIONS

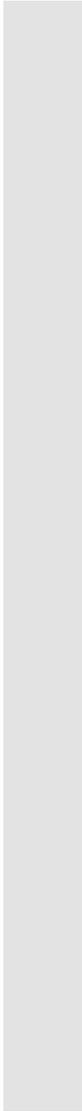
- 8A.1 The minimum width of multi-use pathways shall be 3 metres unless otherwise approved by the Town Engineer.**
- 8A.2 The multi-use pathway shall be separated from the back of the street curb by a minimum of 900 mm median.**
- 8A.3 Pedestrian ramps shall be installed at all intersections having a minimum of 1200 mm low back curb and a 1000 mm taper on both ends.**
- 8A.4 Multi-use pathways shall be constructed of 65mm thick asphalt, unless otherwise approved by the Town Engineer.**
- 8A.5 Gravel base shall be 150 mm Type 1 gravel compacted to 98% standard proctor density and shall extend 150 mm outside of each edge of the multi-use pathway.**
- 8A.6 Multi-use pathways shall maintain a desired grade of 0 – 5%, with a maximum sustained grade of 8%, or up to 12% for distances less than 20 metres. Multi-use pathways shall maintain a grade of no more than 4% within 5 metres of an intersection.**
- 8A.7 Multi-use pathways shall maintain a cross slope of 2%.**



Public Comments

Written Submission

Attendee Comments



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