Auditor General – Halifax Regional Municipality – Follow-up Review – 2021-22 Audits – Fire Inspection Program (2021), Solid Waste Operations (2022)
January 17, 2024

Halifax Regional Municipality had mixed results in implementing the recommendations from two audits reported in 2021-22, Auditor General, Andrew Atherton, said in his follow-up review released today, January 17, 2024.

The audits followed up were:

- Management of Solid Waste Operations (2022) 100% implemented (2 of 2 recommendations)
- Management of the Fire Inspection Program (2021) 57% implemented (8 of 14 recommendations)

"While I am pleased to see the improvements Public Works has made in solid waste operations, I am concerned with the state of HRM's fire inspection program. We will revisit this area in the future to see whether there has been progress, but now is the time for HRM management to address the outstanding recommendations." said Atherton.

The report is available on the auditor general's website.

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In his report released today, Auditor General Andrew Atherton said HRM had mixed results in implementing the recommendations from two Auditor General reports released in 2021-22.

Public Works implemented its two recommendations from a 2022 audit of its solid waste operations. Halifax Regional Fire & Emergency completed 8 of 14 recommendations from a 2021 audit.

The outstanding recommendations relate to the management of HRM's fire inspection program. Management agreed to implement the recommendations over 18 months ago. The report is available on the auditor general's website.

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