Halifax Regional Municipality addressed 63% of the recommendations from two audits reported in 2021, Auditor General, Evangeline Colman-Sadd, said in her follow-up review released today, August 16th.

The audits followed up were:

- Management of Accounts Payable: 75% 3 of 4 complete
- Transit Technology Project Management: 50% 2 of 4 complete

"The overall completion rate continues to be less than our target of 80% completed within 18 months. Recommendations are intended to address important, known issues such as the lack of adequate support for transit capital project budgets," the auditor general said.

In a separate report, outstanding recommendations from the following 2019 audits were followed up:

- Payroll Management: 67% implemented to date 1 of 4 outstanding recommendations complete
- Road and Sidewalk Asset Management: 80% implemented to date 4 of 6 outstanding recommendations complete

"The implementation rate on our Payroll Management audit remains low. There are important payroll monitoring and quality assurance recommendations which have not been addressed," said Colman-Sadd.

Both reports are available on the auditor general's website.

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In her report released today, Auditor General Evangeline Colman-Sadd said HRM has addressed 63% of the recommendations from two Auditor General reports released in 2021. The audits followed up were Management of Accounts Payable, and Transit Technology Project Management.

The results of a review of the implementation of outstanding recommendations from 2019 was included in a separate report, also released today. 67% of recommendations from the Payroll Management audit and 80% of Road and Sidewalk Asset Management audit have been implemented to date.

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