

SYNOPSIS

THEMED CROSSWALK POLICY

The Town of Amherst has four crosswalks in the downtown core that are currently considered theme crosswalks. These are located on East Victoria at the Havelock and Church Street intersections designated for Veterans and one in front of Town Hall designated for Pride.

Through the collaborative work in the community with allies, the Inclusion, Diversity and Equity Committee, and the development of the new combined Strategic Plan, staff are proposing the addition of two new themed crosswalks for African Nova Scotians and Indigenous partnerships as well as a new policy that addresses the procedures around when, the number of crosswalks, maintenance etc. would be needed.

Town staff have met with key stakeholders to discuss this and have received a favourable response. Approving this policy shows the continual efforts by the Town of Amherst to improve all aspects of Inclusion, Diversity and Equity in all our functions. Annual paint upgrades to these crosswalks will be covered within the Town's operational budget.

MOTION:

That Council approve the new Themed Crosswalk Policy.