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## Amazon HQ2 will transform a city in North America.

As Mayor of Halifax, Nova Scotia, I am steadfast in my belief that the city you should look to next is ours, the economic and cultural heart of the vibrant, unspoiled Canadian East Coast. Every day, Amazon takes possibility and shapes it into new ideas, new technology. Where better to do that than from a place with limitless possibilities?

When we look to the Atlantic that laps our shores, our historic city sees new possibilities. Whether you come as a world-changing company, international student, immigrant entrepreneur, or with little more to invest than hope, Halifax becomes home.

Our harborfront is the headquarters of the international energy company Emera Inc., a new hub for applied ocean innovation, and a science center for curious young minds. It's home to hotels, condos, marinas, parks and boardwalks, with just enough room for Amazon HQ2 too.

Outside the mouth of the harbor the fastest telecommunications cable to ever cross the Atlantic connects us to Europe with a 4,600-kilometre subsea link. Just up from the bustling waterfront the Volta Tech Super Hub (founded by Jevon MacDonald who sold his two-year-old GoInstant start-up to Salesforce.com) is undertaking a massive expansion, anchoring its position in Halifax's innovation corridor. A block away, Dalhousie University's Innovation and Design in Engineering and Architecture (IDEA) campus is coming out of the ground, beside Halifax's award-winning, technology-enriched Central Library.

While we are proud to be a hard-working port city, Halifax also offers a constant reminder that life is well lived in proximity to the sea. You can hear it in our music, taste it in our food, smell it in the salt air.

Amazon, if you want to give your employees a city to love, to feel a sense of belonging, and pride of place, it's time to come to Halifax.

I would be happy to personally introduce you to our city.

Warm regards,

Mike Savage