City of Parksville to Require Vaccines for Municipal Employees

In our continuing commitment to protect the health and safety of the City's workforce and the public, the City of Parksville is taking steps to prepare for a mandatory vaccination policy for its employees. Details of the policy and implementation plan will be finalized in the coming days. Employees, contractors, volunteers and on-call firefighters will be required to provide proof they are fully vaccinated against COVID-19.

Throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, the City has followed the Provincial Health Officer and WorkSafeBC orders and guidelines and has been monitoring the effectiveness of our COVID-19 protocols. Staff have been diligent in adhering to the City's WorksafeBC Communicable Disease Plan which has greatly reduced the risk for our workforce.

Senior City staff have maintained regular communications with neighbouring governments and the Vancouver Island Medial Health Officer throughout the pandemic. We continue to review best practices for the protection of our staff and the public to reduce the spread of COVID-19 and enable the City to provide uninterrupted essential and important municipal services.

The decision to implement mandatory vaccinations is consistent with federal, provincial, and other local governments within British Columbia that have also announced vaccine mandates.

For more information on municipal services during the COVID-19 pandemic, please visit https://letstalkparksville.ca/covid-19

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