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City's 2024 Annual Report Available for Review

Each year, the City of Parksville produces an annual report which is a snapshot of goals and accomplishments and includes reports from the Mayor and Chief Administrative Officer as well as department achievements, permissive tax exemptions and financial statements and information.

The *Community Charter* requires all municipalities prepare an annual report before June 30 each year and under the provisions of the *Community Charter*, the annual report is available for public inspection at least 14 days prior to Council considering the report. The annual report includes the following:

- Progress report on the performance of the City compared to established objectives.
- 2024 financial statements and supplemental financial information.
- List of the tax exemptions provided by Council and for each exemption, the amount of property taxes which would have been imposed on the property in 2024 if not exempt.
- Report on municipal services and operations.

Persons who wish to submit a comment or question in writing, should do so by 9 am, June 13:

- By email to council@parksville.ca
- By mail to Council, City of Parksville, PO Box 1390, Parksville V9P 2H3
- In person to 100 Jensen Avenue East, Parksville (8 am to 4 pm, weekdays)
- Comment in person at the Council meeting on Monday, June 16.

Parksville residents wishing to learn more about the City's activities and finances may view the 2024 annual report, available on the <u>City's Document Centre</u> and in paper copy at the administrative office, 100 Jensen Avenue East.

QUOTE MAYOR DOUG O'BRIEN (from Annual Report)

"Council's focus throughout its term to date has been to advance our strategic priorities: advocacy, Official Community Plan review and update, a vibrant and livable downtown, water use planning and management, community engagement, and investment in recreational amenities. These priorities continue to guide our decision-making and policy choices as Council balances the needs and desires of the community while maintaining fiscal responsibility.

2024 marked a challenging year in which our priority of advocacy came to the forefront in response to changing provincial legislation and downloading of additional responsibilities onto local governments. This downloading of provincial responsibility onto municipalities represents a significant strain on staff and financial resources and unfortunately serves to delay and defer our community priorities. I commend City staff for responding to these demands while also continuing to advance the Council-approved corporate work plan.

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2024 saw a number of outstanding successes, including the installation of the mobi-mat to offer accessible beach access and the completion of many upgrades in the Parksville Community Park. The City also entered into an agreement for the first phase of its crucial water management and planning study.

It is a privilege to serve as Mayor of Parksville and I am honoured to work alongside Council and staff in our ongoing efforts to realize the full potential of our beautiful community. My sincere thanks to both Council and staff for their dedication and hard work in 2024 and beyond."

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The City of Parksville is located on the traditional territory of the Coast Salish Nations, home to the Snaw-Naw-As First Nation and the Qualicum First Nation.







