

## **Transportation Plan Update Community Open House on June 18 and Walkabout/Bikeabout on June 13**

The City of Parksville is in the process of updating the 2002 Transportation Master Plan to identify key transportation issues within the City. The Plan will identify strategies to improve the ability of Parksville's residents to meet personal transportation needs, while aiming to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, improve road safety, develop accessible infrastructure and improve community well-being. Included in the Transportation Master Plan are the Transportation Plan Study and the Downtown Core Area Parking Study.

Public involvement is a key component of Parksville's transportation decision-making process. It is the goal of the City's Engineering and Operations Department to provide an open planning process with multiple opportunities for public participation and input.

The City of Parksville is asking residents for their ideas as the City updates its Transportation Plan Study and Downtown Core Area Parking Study. The City is committed to engaging as many residents and businesses as possible in these plan updates. The more input received, the more the plans will reflect the needs of the community. Residents and businesses can get involved and obtain information by:

- Attending an Open House on June 18 to discuss the Transportation Plan Study and Downtown Core Area Parking Study. This open house will be held on **June 18** from **4 to 7 pm** at the **Parksville Community & Conference Centre**.
- Participating in the **Walkabout** or **Bikeabout** being held on **Saturday, June 13** from **10 am to noon**. This is an opportunity to explore Parksville's transportation network and work with the project team to explore solutions.
- Checking out the City's website at [www.parksville.ca](http://www.parksville.ca) for more information.

The Transportation Plan Study will address the future needs of all modes of transportation (i.e. vehicles, commercial traffic, regional transit, cycling and walking) by adopting innovative, sustainable approaches for existing road networks, future network linkages and proposed development. Specifically, the study will make recommendations on the following:

- Major road network upgrade plans
- Intersection upgrades
- Regional Transit services
- Walkways and cycling improvements
- Alternate vehicle standards
- Traffic calming measures
- Commercial vehicle routes

The Downtown Core Area Parking Study addresses the need for parking within and around the downtown core to adequately service the public to gain access for special events, public amenities, recreational services and local businesses. The parking study will make recommendations to off-street and on-street parking including commercial loading zones and parking restrictions.

**For more information:**

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