

## City to Host Third Public Open House to Review Draft OCP PLAN Parksville: A Vision For Our Future

**PARKSVILLE, BC:** The City of Parksville recently hosted two public open houses which provided opportunities for the public to review the proposed updates to the City's Official Community Plan (OCP). About 140 members of the community attended the two open houses and because of the high level of interest and positive feedback the City received on the open house format, an additional open house event will be held on Monday, March 11 at the Parksville Community and Conference Centre.

As with the previous open houses, staff from City departments will be present at themed stations with large maps and handout materials for viewing and discussion. Themes will be land use designations, municipal infrastructure and drinking water, parks and open spaces and development permit areas.

To better facilitate more time for discussion with staff at each theme, members of the general public are encouraged to attend between 2 pm and 7 pm and representatives of community groups and organizations are encouraged to attend between 9 am and noon. Despite this suggestion, the event is open to all interested groups and individuals throughout the day.

The timeline for comments on this first draft has been extended by one week from March 14 to March 21. Additional opportunities for comment will be provided during the statutory process, however, staff wishes to incorporate comments into the second draft prior to presenting to Council in April.

- What:** City of Parksville Draft OCP Review  
Public Open House #3
- When:** Monday, March 11
- 9 am to noon Community groups and organizations
  - 2 pm to 7 pm General public/members of the community
- Where:** Parksville Community and Conference Centre, 132 Jensen Avenue East
- Why:** Opportunity for the public to review the City's draft OCP; ask questions and provide comments.

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