

Our Thanks to Volunteers

April 12 to April 18 is Volunteer Week in Parksville intended to acknowledge the outstanding contributions of volunteers and community organizations. Volunteers contribute to the well-being of our community and without their dedication, it would be impossible to sustain the services we enjoy. We hope you will take a few minutes to thank some of our volunteers, to recognize their work and the richness they bring to our community.

City Services

Temple Street Upgrades



Phase 1

As part of the City's capital upgrades and infrastructure renewal plan, the Temple Street Phase 1 upgrade is well underway. This winter's mild weather has allowed completion of underground utilities and servicing from Sunray Road to Chinook Avenue. Road reconstruction, concrete curb, gutter and sidewalks from Chinook to Pym Street are now substantially complete. Landscaping, grading, curb, gutter and sidewalk from Pym Street to Sunray Road is underway and will be completed soon, followed by road reconstruction, landscaping and pavement.

Starting April 13, paving preparation followed by pavement placement will start at Chinook Avenue and will be continuous through to mid-May to Sunray Road (weather dependent of course).

We wish to thank residents for their patience and understanding during this construction. Phase 1 will be substantially complete in June and the project is on time and on budget.

Phase 2

Continues south at Chinook Avenue, terminates at Bay Avenue, and will be similar in look to Phase 1. The City and Koers and Associates Engineering are finalizing the 95% drawings and will tender Phase 2 for summer construction although firm dates are not yet available.

Work includes the upgrade and replacement of the roadway, water and storm infrastructure, non-mountable curb and gutter, separated sidewalks, grassed boulevards, LED streetlights and standard 1.5 metre bike lanes. Upgrades will provide a safe pedestrian and cycling corridor for residents and visitors looking for an alternative to Island Highway 19A and will complement the work completed on Bay Avenue in 2013.

The City encourages residents living in the Phase 2 construction zone to review the drawings and familiarize themselves with the works to be completed along their frontage. The City will make every attempt to consider all reasonable requests prior to the start of construction. Please contact the engineering department if assistance in understanding the drawings is required. [City Hall/Capital Projects/Temple]

Emergency Preparedness Expos

Are you prepared for an emergency? Do you know the risks? Do you have a plan? Hosted by Parksville and Qualicum Beach, EP Week Expos will feature displays, hands-on demonstrations, opportunities to learn about the challenges you will face in an emergency and how to be better prepared. Local emergency services and agencies will be there to answer questions and help you learn how to be prepared. (You can even bring your fire extinguisher to be tested).

May 6 at the Qualicum Beach Civic Centre and May 7 at the Parksville Community and Conference Centre; both days from 10 am to 2 pm.

Parksville Lions Thank You – May 8

For thirty years, Parksville Lions Club members have worked tirelessly on Lions Ventureland Playground for the pure enjoyment of so many children. To show our appreciation and provide an opportunity to say thank you to members, the City will host a celebration - May 8 at 10.30 am in the Community Park. Watch the City's website for more info; we hope you will attend.



Water Conservation

Level 1 is now in effect with Level 2 effective May 1. Odd numbered addresses water on odd numbered days and even numbered addresses on even numbered days. Watering times are 6 to 10 morning and evening for no more than three hours per day during Level 1 and two hours during Level 2. If watered outside permitted times, vegetable gardens, shrubs, trees and flowers must be watered with a hand-held container or a hose with shut-off nozzle. [Quicklinks/Water Conservation]

Notice of Parcel Tax Roll Review Panel

For those who received written notification from the City, notice is given that the Parcel Tax Roll Review Panel will meet on April 20 at 5.45 pm (in the Forum, 100 Jensen Avenue East) to hear complaints and review and correct the assessment rolls. The panel will hear complaints as to:

- ◆ Ensure names and addresses of owners are correct.
- ◆ Parcels of land not abutting the water and/or sewer mains.
- Errors or omissions respecting inclusion of property on the roll

The revised Water, Sewer and RDN Parks Parcel Tax Rolls will be open for inspection in the finance department during business hours until April 20. The panel will not hear a complaint unless written notice has been submitted to the City at least 48 hours prior to the panel's appointed meeting time.

Things To Know

Utility Notices

Reminder to residents that utility notices covering water, sewer, garbage and recycling mailed at the end of March, are due April 30. If you have not received your notice, please call 250 954-4653.

Engineering Moves to 100 Jensen Avenue East

The engineering department will move from public works to 100 Jensen Avenue East this week. The Council approved move identified the following benefits:

- ◆ Operations staff would no longer require space in the ERWS treatment plant resulting in construction cost savings of \$850,000.
- ◆ The department would occupy City owned vacant lease space reducing the current stockpile of vacant commercial space in Parksville.
- Engineering staff will be more accessible for inquiries from developers and the general public; not having to travel between two locations should increase level of service.
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After April 15, engineering inquiries should be directed to 250 951-2484. Contact information for engineering staff remains the same.

Wood Chipping Program

Collection details about this year's wood chipping program which runs until April 30 are available on our website [Newsroom/Public Notices] and collection dates for neighbourhoods will be advertised in the PQB News. Please direct questions to 250 248-5412.

City Dates

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April 16	Coffee with Council
April 20	Council Meeting
April 23	Coffee with Council
April 30	Coffee with Council
April 30	Utility payments due
May 4	Council Meeting
May 7	Coffee with Council
May 7	Emergency Preparedness Week Exp
May 8	Lions Thank You
May 14	Coffee with Council
May 18	Victoria Day (offices closed)
May 20	Council Meeting
May 21	Coffee with Council

The public is encouraged to attend Council meetings held on the first and third Mondays of the month and may observe advisory committee meetings Refer to the website for agendas and meeting highlights and minutes.

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