By-Election for City Councillor



A by-election for the City of Parksville will be held on Saturday, October 22 at the Parksville Fellowship Baptist Church. Voters in the City of Parksville will elect one member of Council who will serve the remaining term of office until the next civic election in October 2018. The vacancy on City Council is because of the

resignation in July of Councillor Al Greir due to health reasons. Councillor Greir was first elected to Council in 2008 and re-elected in 2011 and 2014.

Further information may be obtained by contacting Keeva Kehler, Chief Election Officer (250 954-4660) or Amanda Weeks, Deputy Chief Election Officer (250 954-3070).

Candidate Information

Public notice is given to the electors of the City of Parksville that nominations for the office of Councillor will be received by the Chief Election Officer or a designated person at the City of Parksville offices, 100 Jensen Avenue East from **9 am on Tuesday, September 6 to 4 pm on Friday, September 16** (excluding statutory holidays and weekends). Nomination documents are available from the City during regular office hours (8 am to 4 pm, Monday to Friday excluding weekends and statutory holidays).

A person is qualified to be nominated, elected and to hold office as a member of local government if they meet the following criteria:

- Canadian citizen
- 18 years of age or older on general voting day
- Resident of British Columbia for at least six months immediately before the day nomination papers are filed
- Not disqualified by the Local Government Act or any other enactment from voting in an election in British Columbia or from being nominated for, being elected to, or holding office.

Note: There is no requirement for a candidate to be a resident or own property in the municipality.

Voter Registration Requirements

- Canadian citizer
- Age 18 or older (October 22, 1998, or before) by general voting day
- Resident of BC for at least six months (as of April 22)
- Resident of City of at least 30 days (September 21)
- Not be disqualified by an enactment from voting in an election or not otherwise be disqualified by law
- Provide two pieces of identification:
- At least one showing your identity and place of residence,
- at least one document containing your signature (each document does not need to provide both identity and residence) OR
- Provide two documents showing your identity, at least one
 of the documents containing your signature and make a
 declaration as to your place of residence.

Acceptable forms of identification

- BC driver's licence
- BC identification card issued by Motor Vehicles Branch
- Owner's certificate of insurance and vehicle licence issued by ICBC
- BC CareCard or BC Gold CareCard
- Birth certificate
- Social Insurance Number (SIN) card issued by Human Resources Development Canada
- Citizenship card issued by Citizenship and Immigration Canada
- Real property tax notice issued by City of Parksville
- Credit/debit card or cheque book from savings institution
- Utility bill for electricity, natural gas, water, phone or cable
- *Other documents MAY be accepted at discretion of the presiding election officer

By-Election Dates

Tuesday, September 6 – nomination period opens at 9 am (Packages will not be accepted prior to this date)

Friday, September 16 – nomination period closes at 4 pm (Packages will not be accepted after this date)

Wednesday, October 12 - Advance Voting - 8am to 8pm - Parksville Community and Conference Centre

Wednesday, October 19 - Advance Voting - 8am to 8pm - Parksville Community and Conference Centre

Saturday, October 22 - General Voting Day - 8am to 8pm – Parksville Fellowship Baptist Church

Things to Know

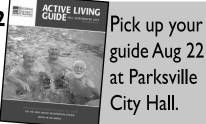
- Info about the City's fall grant-in-aid applications is now available; deadline is 4 pm on August 31. Non-profit organizations in the arts, cultural, recreational or social services fields are eligible to apply. Information on the program, policy, instructions and application may be obtained at City Hall or from the website [Mayor and Council/Grant-in-Aid Applications].
- Reminder to residents, the City is on Stage 2 watering restrictions – odd numbered addresses water on odd numbered days and even numbered addresses on even numbered days for a maximum of two hours per day between 7-10 am or 7-10 pm. Vegetable gardens and fruit trees are exempt from watering restrictions.
- The Canada 150 Mosaic project was a huge success; the mural is complete and will be permanently installed in the Parksville Civic and Technology Centre. We expect to unveil the mural in September.
- Our thanks to Mike Parlow with Oceanside Minor Baseball and Bayshore Construction (Rob McGorman, Chris Shaw and Tania Powley) for assistance in renovating the slope behind the peewee baseball diamond at Springwood Park sports complex. A rough unfinished area is now a perfect place to sit and enjoy a ballgame. Other donations which made this project possible were from Pro West Services, DBL Disposal, Dave Holland with Hol-Pro Trucking, Mayco Mix, VI Precast, Rotary Club of Parksville and Mike Cochrane.

Fall program registration begins August 22 on the NEW online registration system.



Register at rdn.bc.ca/recreation

Ravensong Aquatic Centre Oceanside Place Arena 737 Jones St, Qualicum Beach 250-752-5014 S30 W Island Hwy, Parksvi 250-248-3252



City Services

Sharps Containers in City Washrooms

The City of Parksville recently installed sharps containers in City controlled public restrooms located at the Community Park, Springwood Park, Foster Park and the Parksville Civic and Technology Centre. These containers are made of hard puncture-resistant plastic and marked with a biohazard symbol. The installation of sharps containers is a priority for the City as needle finds and the resulting risk to the general public continues to increase.

Discarded drug paraphernalia such as syringes, stray needles and other sharps have become a challenging issue for the City. Disposal of used sharps is a public safety issue a "sharp" is any object which can pierce, puncture or cut the skin. Pen needles for insulin, lancets, syringes, knives, scalpels, razors, scissors or broken glass are all examples of sharps.

Vancouver Island Health Authority provides information on their website about disposal of needles and other drug paraphernalia. The Central Island VIHA communicable disease program may be contacted at 1 866 770-7798.

Bylaw Compliance Notice

Due to staffing resources and increased complaint volume, the City bylaw compliance department is experiencing delayed service times. Currently there is a waiting period of at least three weeks before new complaints may be addressed by an officer. Based on the complexity of the complaint, this timeline does not guarantee a complaint will be resolved immediately once it is addressed by an officer. Bylaw compliance officers are working hard to ensure complaints are addressed in a timely manner while maintaining a high level of service. The patience and cooperation of residents is greatly appreciated during the busy summer season.

City Dates

August 18	Coffee with Council
September 1	Coffee with Council
September 5	Labour Day (offices closed)
September 7	Council meeting
September 8	Advisory Design Panel
September 15	Coffee with Council
September 19	Council meeting
October 3	Council meeting

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, meeting highlights and minutes.

How To Reach Council

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