



City of Parksville

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## Open House and World Café

### Something to say about City parks?

A drop-in open house and World Café will take place at the Parksville Community and Conference Centre on Saturday, March 25 from 10 am to 3 pm. Table sessions at 10:30 am and 1:30 pm will provide a forum to discuss specific topics relating to the City's parks and learn from residents what they wish to see for the future of our parks and trails. Students will formulate questions prior to the World Café which will be discussed by participants as they move between tables.



The City is working with students from Vancouver Island University to update the Community Park Master Plan and complete a survey on all park spaces. Students are engaging residents about their vision and priorities for parkland, with specific focus on the Community Park. This process will yield a long-term, comprehensive document which will provide direction for managing and developing the Community Park over a twenty-year time horizon. The information gathered at this event and future consultation will be presented to the community later this year, prior to bringing the draft forward to Council. Please direct questions to Deb Tardiff, 250 954-3073, dtardiff@parksville.ca. #ParksvilleParks

## Other Things to Know

- **No dogs on beaches** - Rath Trevor Beach is closed to dogs, both on-leash and off-leash, until April 15 and Parksville Bay beach is closed to dogs until April 30.
- **Brant Wildlife Festival** events continue through April. [brantfestival.bc.ca](http://brantfestival.bc.ca)
- **Amazing Places** official launch on March 30 at 6:30 pm, Parksville Civic and Technology Centre hosted by the Mount Arrowsmith UNESCO Biosphere Region.
- **Oceanside Mother's Day Race** - check out the Oceanside Running Club event on May 14 with proceeds to Parksville Haven Society. There's a 10K run through Rath Trevor Beach Provincial Park and a 5K course for runners, walkers and baby strollers. Info and registration at [raceonline.ca](http://raceonline.ca) and [orcarunning.ca](http://orcarunning.ca). Early bird until March 22 - \$25 and March 23 to May 11 - \$30.



## City Services

### ERWS Trail Closure

Knappett Projects has begun work on the Englishman River Water Service project for the water intake, water treatment plant and Top Bridge reservoir transmission main.

Portions of Top Bridge Regional Trail (south of the E & N Railway overpass to sections within Top Bridge Park) are now closed to allow for construction of supply mains. Closure signage will be posted at trailhead locations at the Industrial Park access, the end of Greig Road and in the Top Bridge Park parking lot. Construction activities pose a safety risk to the public and we ask that all users respect trail closures. No travel is permitted on this section of the trail.

When construction of the transmission main along the E & N Railway and Top Bridge Park is complete, a trail will be built over top of the main which will enhance the community's multi-use trail network and provide a strong east to west connection from Top Bridge to Springwood Park. The project should be completed summer 2018 which will allow compliance with Island Health's operating conditions. This significant project will ensure the community has high-quality, safe water to meet the demands of future generations.



### Budget Deliberation Meetings

Residents are welcome to attend Council budget deliberation meetings. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 29 at 6 pm in the Forum, 100 Jensen Avenue East. Should an additional budget meeting be necessary, the date has been set for April 10 at 6 pm.

Comments about the draft final 2017-2021 municipal budget and financial plan can be submitted in person at the meeting or to [info@parksville.ca](mailto:info@parksville.ca). Comments should be received by March 23 be considered by Council at this meeting and will form part of the public record. Budget info may be found on the City's website.

### Annual Wood Chipping Program

The City's wood chipping program will run from April 18 through May 9. Details 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.

### Notice of Parcel Tax Roll Review Panel

For those who received written notification from the City, notice is given the Parcel Tax Roll Review Panel will meet on April 19 at 5.45 pm (in the Forum) to hear complaints and review and correct assessment rolls. The panel will hear complaints as to:

- Ensure names and addresses of the owners are correct
- Parcels of land not abutting the water and/or sewer mains
- Errors or omissions respecting the 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 from 8 am to 4 pm, Monday through Friday until April 19. The panel will not hear a complaint unless written notice has been submitted to the City at least 48 hours prior to the appointed meeting time of the panel.

### Utility Notices

Reminder to residents that utility notices covering water, sewer, garbage and recycling mailed at the end of March, are due April 28. If you do not receive your notice, please call 250 248-6144.

### Watermain Flushing

Flushing continues through early April, 7 am to 3:30 pm, Monday to Friday. Residents can expect some discolouration of water and intermittent drops in water pressure and should keep a fresh supply of drinking water in your refrigerator. Check for discolouration of water before doing laundry and should water be discoloured, run an outside tap (after 3:30 pm) until the water runs clear. 250 248-5412.

### Stage 1 Water Restriction

Stage 1, which is in effect from April 1 to April 30, allows for watering of lawns between 7 pm and 7 am, any day of the week. Vegetable gardens and fruit trees are exempt from water restrictions.

### Emergency Preparedness EXPO

Mark your calendars for the 2017 Expo set for Saturday, May 27 at the Parksville Curling Rink; more info here and on our website in April.

## City Dates

March 23	Coffee with Council
March 25	Parks World Café and Open House
March 29	Budget Meeting
March 30	Coffee with Council
March 30	Amazing Places Project Launch
April 3	Council Meeting
April 6	Coffee with Council
April 10	Budget Meeting
April 13	Coffee with Council
April 14	Good Friday (offices closed)
April 17	Easter Monday (offices closed)
April 19	Council Meeting
April 20	Coffee with Council
April 27	Coffee with Council
May 1	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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Ravensong Aquatic Centre  
737 Jones St, Qualicum Beach  
250-752-5014

Oceanside Place Arena  
830 W Island Hwy, Parksville  
250-248-3252



Pick up your guide at Parksville City Hall.