

PARKSVILLE VOTES

Why should I vote?

The City of Parksville provides important services used by residents every day. When you vote, you will help decide who will make important decisions about your community and schools for the next four years. As a resident you have the opportunity to vote for Mayor and six Councillors.

Am I eligible to vote?

You may vote in the Parksville local government election as a <u>resident</u> elector if you meet these requirements. It does not matter whether you rent or own your home:

- Are a Canadian citizen; AND
- Are, or will be, 18 years of age or more on or before general voting day; AND
- Have lived in BC for at least 6 months (as of April 19, 2018) prior to registration: AND
- Have lived in or have owned property in Parksville for at least 30 days (as of September 19, 2018) prior to registration; AND
- Are not disqualified from voting by the Local Government Act or any other act.

When and where do I vote?

General Voting Day is **Saturday, October 20** from 8 am to 8 pm at the Parksville Community Centre, 132 Jensen Avenue East <u>or</u> the Parksville Fellowship Baptist Church, 550 Pym Street.

You may vote at either the Parksville Fellowship Baptist Church or the Parksville Community Centre; however, whether you vote at an advance voting opportunity or at one of the general voting day locations, you will be required to sign a written declaration that you have not voted previously at any other time or location during the election

Advance voting is available on **Wednesday, October 17** from 8 am to 8 pm at the Parksville Community Centre.

What is "voting day only" registration?

The City continues to use "Voting Day Only Registration" and no longer uses a voters' list. All voters will register on the day of voting, at either advance voting or on general voting day. When arriving to vote, you will be required to provide two pieces of identification.

City Services

2019 Special Events

Applications from organizations and individuals wishing to hold special events at City-owned venues or on City streets in 2019 are now being accepted and the review process will begin following the January 31, 2019, deadline. Annual events will be given priority provided the request is received by January 31, after which time applications will be addressed as first-time events on a first-come, first-served basis, based on availability. After January 31, applications must be received at least thirty days prior to the event. The special events policy and application forms are available on the website [City Hall/Special Events Procedures], from the operations department and at City Hall. For use of the sports fields and lacrosse box, contact RDN's Recreation and Parks fieldbooking@rdn.bc.ca .

Leaves on Streets

Fall street sweeping by the City is intended to remove leaves which fall onto the streets and may result in blocked catch basins and safety hazards for cyclists. Leaf control is the responsibility of property owners. Leaves must not be raked or blown from lawns onto the street in anticipation of the City's sweeper truck. Doing so overwhelms the capacity of the sweeper and when blown across sidewalks, may compromise pedestrian safety. Blowing or raking leaves into the gutter is illegal and subject to a fine of \$75 (Traffic Bylaw 1436).

What documents do I bring with me?

When arriving to vote, <u>you will be required to provide two pieces of identification</u>; one containing your name and address, the other containing your name and signature. If you do not have documentation showing residency, then two pieces of identification (with at least one with a signature) are still required and you will be required to make a "solemn declaration" as to your residency.

Residents must bring two pieces of identification; documents which may be accepted are:

- BC driver's licence
- BC identification card issued by Motor Vehicles Branch
- Owner's certificate of insurance and vehicle licence issued by ICBC
- BC Services Card (CareCard)
- · Birth certificate
- SIN card issued by Human Resources Development Canada
- Canadian passport
- Citizenship card issued by Citizenship and Immigration Canada
- Real property tax notice issued by City of Parksville
- Credit or debit card issued by a savings institution
- Utility bill for electricity, gas, water, phone or cable services

Who is running for Council?

Candidates for the office of Mayor:

Chris Long Errington
Ed Mayne Nanoose Bay
Kirk Oates Parksville

Candidates for the offices of Councillor:

Parksville Kim Burden Mark Chandler Parksville Adam Fras Parksville Al Greir Parksville Richard W Honaizer Parksville Doug O'Brien Parksville Teresa Patterson Parksville Paul Reitsma Parksville Parksville Mark Stephens Parksville Amanda Wagner Marilyn Wilson Parksville

Parksville Fire Department News

Annual Food and Toy Drive

This year's drive is set for Saturday, November 17 and Sunday, November 18 from 9 am to 4 pm.

Firefighters will collect food and toys for the Salvation Army, door-to-door throughout the Parksville Fire Protection Area. Cash donations are also welcome. More info at pyfd ca

Recruiting Now for 2019!

The Parksville Volunteer Fire Department is now recruiting for 2019 and is looking for enthusiastic men and women to become



volunteer firefighters, an opportunity to be part of tradition. For information stop by the Parksville Fire Department at 160 Jensen Avenue West, call 250 248-3242 or *pvfd.ca*

Things to Know

Utility Notices covering water, sewer and garbage and recycling were mailed the end of September and are due October 31. If you have not received your notice, please phone 250 248-6144.

Stage 1 water restrictions for October allow for watering of lawns between 7 pm and 7 am, any day of the week. There are no watering restrictions between November 1 to March 31.

BC ShakeOut October 18 at 10.18 am

Reminder to residents to register for the 2018 Great BC ShakeOut drill. It's a great way for families or businesses to become better prepared to survive and recover quickly from major earthquakes.







Drop, Cover, Hold On – drop to the ground, take cover under a table or desk and hold on as if a real earthquake was occurring. It's a chance to learn what you should do if you have a disability or physical limitation. And while taking cover, look around and imagine what would happen in a major earthquake. What would fall? What would be damaged? Then, consider what you would do after the shaking stop. Info and resources at *shakeout.bc.ca*

City Dates

October 17	Advance Voting Day
October 18	BC ShakeOut
October 20	Voting Day
November 5	Inaugural Council Meeting
November 8	Advisory Design Panel
November 12	Remembrance Day
	(offices closed)
November 17-18	Food and Toy Drive
November 19	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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