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CITY OF PARKSVILLE

Parksville Council Meetings

Aligned with recently updated public health orders from the Province of BC, residents may attend in-Parksville Council meetings held in the Forum. The City will continue public safety measures including the requirement to wear a mask and capacity limits of forty people for Council meetings. In-person attendance will be on a first-come, first-served basis. Please stay home if you are sick or not feeling well.



Council meetings in February and March will be held at 1 pm and from April through September, meetings will start at 6 pm. We encourage residents to participate online due to in-person capacity limits. To view meetings webstreamed live or to view archived video from the meetings, please visit our

website. Residents may also email comments to council@parksville.ca.

Stay informed:

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Recruiting Now!

Parksville Fire is recruiting for paid on-call firefighters. Applications will be accepted until March 4 with recruit classes starting this spring. You need to live within our fire protection area (ideally within City boundary), be reasonably fit, available for weekly fire practices, have a good driving record and between 19 and 60 for regular members. Details at parkvillefirerescue.ca or call 250 248-3242, weekdays, 8 am to 4 pm, to chat with an officer or arrange a tour.

Parksville Fire Department
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Deadline March 4, details at Parkvillefirerescue.ca
Family. Work. Volunteer:
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160 James Avenue West
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Online Survey

Public input is an important part of the financial planning process and we are seeking input from residents and businesses prior to Council budget deliberation meetings. Your comments will help determine the City's 2022-2026 financial plan. Have your say by completing a short online survey to assist Council to better understand how you would prioritize funds to be spent this year. Available until February 28, the survey may be accessed from our [website](#) and paper copies from City Hall.

Budget Deliberation Meetings

Open budget deliberation meetings to discuss the 2022-2026 financial plan are scheduled as follows:

- Wednesday, March 2 at 1 pm
- Wednesday, March 23 at 6 pm
- Wednesday, March 30 at 6 pm

Public input into the budget is an important part of the financial planning process. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, at this time, attendance by the public is limited to forty; here are ways residents may engage in the budget process:

- Submit comments by email to council@parksville.ca.
- Comments to be considered by Council during the meetings, emailed comments should be received by 4 pm on the day before the meeting (March 1, March 22 and March 29).
- Budget deliberation meetings may be viewed live through webstreaming from the [City's website](#) and archived for viewing at another time.
- Comments, questions and ideas may be posted to the City's online engagement site, [Let's Talk Parksville](#).
- Participate in our online survey. Results will assist Council to better understand where funds should be spent in 2022. Survey is open until February 28 and may be accessed from the [City's website](#).

Please note, all comments received by the City about budget deliberations will form part of the public record. The City's [budget](#) and [financial plans](#) may be accessed from the website and closer to the meeting dates listed above, budget details will be provided on the City's website and [Let's Talk Parksville](#).

[Join the conversation!](#)

Regional Growth Strategy Review is Underway

What are your priorities for the future growth of the region?
The Regional District of Nanaimo is updating the Regional

Growth Strategy and would like your input on a range of topics, including land use, transportation, housing and climate mitigation and adaptation. Join the conversation by completing the RGS survey and a chance to win a \$50 local gift card. Survey closes March 25.

Get involved!

Annual Beach Closures to Dogs

To limit disturbance of migrating Black Brant geese, our beaches are subject to seasonal “no dog” restrictions. This applies to both on-leash and off-leash within the Parksville-Qualicum Beach Wildlife Management Area. Rath Trevor Beach is closed until April 30 and Parksville Bay Beach will be closed to dogs from March 1 to April 30.



THINGS TO KNOW

Spring Grant-in-Aid applications - Subject to the provisions of the City’s grant-in-aid applications policy, the City may provide financial assistance to community groups and organizations for events that benefit our citizens and visitors. Community non-profit organizations in the arts, cultural, recreational, or social services fields are eligible. Deadline 3 pm, March 1. Information on the program, policy, application, and instructions may be obtained at City Hall or from the [website](#).

Watermain flushing - Our annual watermain flushing program runs through early April. An important part of our ongoing maintenance program, flushing ensures the integrity of the water supply system. Flushing occurs mainly between 7 am and 3:30 pm, weekdays. Residents can expect some discolouration of water and intermittent drops in pressure; keep a fresh supply of drinking water in your fridge. Check for discolouration of water before doing laundry and if discoloured, run outside tap (after 3:30 pm) until clear. Please direct questions to 250 248-5412.

City rebates - We continue to offer rebate programs for security cameras (up to \$100 toward purchase and installation); tree program (\$50 for owner of residence/business) and low flush toilet (one \$75 rebate per residence/business). Details and applications are available on our [website](#).



What's on *Let's Talk Parksville*

Let's Talk Budget 2022
Memorial and Hirst Avenues Project
Parksville Family and Child Centre

CITY DATES

March 2

Budget Meeting

March 7	Council Meeting
March 21	Council Meeting
March 23	Budget Meeting
March 30	Budget Meeting
April 11	Council Meeting
April 15 & 18	Easter holidays
April 20	Council Meeting

For more information:

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