

The City of Parksville is located on the traditional territory of the Coast Salish Nations, home to the Snaw-Naw-As First Nation and the Qualicum First Nation.

It's Your City!

APRIL 9, 2025

Annual Wood Chipping Program

Our wood chipping program takes place April 7 through May 2 with the City divided into two zones - west and east of Craig Street. Properties west of Craig receive collection between April 7 and April 17 and properties east of Craig receive collection between April 22 and May 2. Materials must be at curbside by 8 am on:

April 7 For collection at properties WEST of Craig Street April 22 For collection at properties EAST of Craig Street

Refer to map and collection details on our website. [Residents/Wood Chipping]
Questions should be directed to operations, ops@parksville.ca or 250 248-5412.



Parksville Canada Day

Join your family, friends and neighbours to celebrate the 158th anniversary of Canada's confederation, the City of Parksville's 80th birthday and the 50th anniversary of the Mount Arrowsmith Pipe Band. We're planning for a great family-friendly event with a few more activities than 2024. The day starts with the amazing Parksville Canada Day parade followed by live music at the Parksville Outdoor Theatre from noon to 6.30 pm, activities and entertainment in the gathering plaza from 1 to 9 pm, facepainters, food truck festival, and so much more. The Summer by the Sea Street Market on Craig Street is set for 6 to 9 pm. Details, entertainment lineup and more info at Letstalkparksville.ca/canadaday-2025.

Accessibility Advisory Committee

We are inviting applications from individuals interested in serving on the Accessibility Advisory Committee. The committee assists with identifying barriers to individuals in or interacting with the City; provide advice on how to remove or prevent barriers; provide input on the development of an accessibility plan; and on mechanisms to receive public feedback on accessibility.

Where possible, membership is intended to reflect the diversity of persons in BC, with at least half of the members being persons with disabilities, or individuals who support, or are from organizations which support persons with disabilities. Members will be required to meet intermittently with the commitment of about two to eight hours annually. Apply to Administrative Services, PO Box 1390, Parksville V9P 2H3, or administration@parksville.ca. Deadline April 23. Terms of reference may be viewed on letstalkparksville.ca/accessibility-plan.

Food Trucks in Parksville Community Park

This year, the City will manage the mobile food trucks in the Parksville Community Park starting May 1 and through September, 11 am to 7 pm, daily. Most days you will see two food trucks on the existing pads and on busy days and special events, a third vendor will be in the gathering plaza.

We will post the schedule one month in advance on our website and are pleased to welcome on rotation, Ala Cart Hotdogs, Bees Knees, Farm to Fire, Grand Concession Island Scoops, Pepper Pot, Pine Lemonade, Pipedreamzz, and Spud Barn.

REMINDERS AND THINGS TO KNOW...

Temporary closure of Parksville beaches to dogs in effect for both on-leash and off-leash within Parksville-Qualicum Beach Wildlife Manager Area. Rathtrevor Beach and Parksville Bay beach are closed to dogs until April 30.

Water Conservation

- Level 1 in April allows for watering of lawns between 7 pm and 7 am, any day of the week.
 Vegetable gardens and fruit trees are exempt from restrictions.
- Level 2 will be in effect from May 1 through October 31 (unless otherwise advised) and allows for every other day lawn watering between 7-10 am OR 7-10 pm for a maximum of two hours.

Utility notices will have arrived in mailboxes and if you did not receive your notice, contact 250 248-6144 or *cashier@parksville.ca*. Payment is due April 30.

Park washroom hours - starting April 16, summer washroom hours in our parks will return to 7.30 am until 10 pm daily. These hours apply to the Parksville Community Park, Foster Park and Springwood Park.



Financial Plan Next Steps

In January, Council approved the 2025-2029 financial plan and next steps include a series of meetings in April to consider amendments to the 2025-2029 financial plan resulting from new information, updated BC Assessment data and completion of the 2024 fiscal year. We encourage residents to attend the Committee of the Whole meeting on April 9 to provide input on the amended plan. Meeting schedule, documents and staff presentations at *letstalkparksville.ca/financial-plan-2025*.

Final 2025 property tax rates and utility rates for the City of Parksville will be set during this schedule of meetings. The forecasted rate increases for 2025 were



7% for property taxes, 6% for water fees and 6% for sewer fees, which will result in an increase of about \$175 for an average residential property. Property tax notices will be mailed by end of May, following adoption of the financial plan and property tax rate bylaws.

City Dates

April 9	COTW, Amended Financial Plan
April 18/21	Easter Holidays (offices closed)
April 23	Council Meeting, Amended Financial Plan
April 28	Financial Plan Meeting (if required)
April 30	Utility notices due
May 5	Council Meeting, Financial Plan
May 7	Financial Plan, Special Council Meeting
May 12	Financial Plan, Special Council Meeting
May 19	Victoria Day Holiday (offices closed)
May 21	Council Meeting
June 2	Council Meeting
June 16	Council Meeting
July 1	Parksville's Canada Day Celebrations

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