

April 16, 2025

Happy Easter, every bunny!

The only time when putting all your eggs in one basket is not just a metaphor but a wonderful tradition. Here's to a basket bursting with sweet treats and sunshine.



## LATEST NEWS

### Alberni Highway Paving

Haylock Paving has been contracted to provide overlay paving which can help extend the life of the pavement structure to better align with underlying utilities, improve the overall condition, safety and road experience while optimizing costs to the City.

*Alberni Highway between Despard Avenue West and Jensen Avenue West will be closed for paving from April 22 to April 25. Detour routes will be available on Moilliet Street or Despard Avenue West to Craig Street from 7 am to 6 pm daily. From April 28 to May 2, there will be single lane alternating for vehicles during shouldering and line painting work.*

Outside of regular construction hours, property access will be maintained. Residents affected by the work will be notified when paving is scheduled in their area. Please ensure vehicles are not parked or obstructing the road during paving. During construction, vehicular traffic may experience minor delays and congestion. To ensure safety and smooth traffic flow, traffic control personnel will be present on-site; follow instructions and observe construction signs. Questions should be directed to [engineering@parksville.ca](mailto:engineering@parksville.ca) or 250 951-2484.

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### Next Steps in Parksville's 2025-2029 Financial Plan

At the April 9 Committee of the Whole meeting, Council provided direction

regarding the 2025-2029 financial plan with the recommendations to be brought forward to the April 23 Council meeting. The amended financial plan bylaw and the 2025 water, sewer and property tax rates bylaws will receive three readings at the May 5 meeting and a special Council meeting on May 7 will be held to provide final adoption of the bylaws.



Property tax notices will be mailed by end of May, following adoption of the financial plan and property tax rate bylaws. Documents and recent staff presentations may be viewed on [Let's Talk Parksville](#).

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## Food Trucks in Parksville Community Park

We're excited there will be food trucks in the Parksville Community Park over the Easter long weekend, from Friday through Monday, 11 am to 7 pm, weather dependent.

### April 18

Pipedreamzz, Island Scoops, Farm 2 Fire

### April 19 & 20

Pipedreamzz, The Pepper Pot, Farm 2 Fire

### April 21

Island Scoops



The City's delivery of this program in 2025 is a pilot project from May 1 to September 30. About one week in advance, the food truck schedule for the coming month will be posted to the website and social media. Regular food truck hours will be 11 am to 7 pm with two trucks on the existing food truck pad and a third truck on busy days in the gathering plaza.

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## Canada Day Celebrations in Parksville

We're excited to host Parksville's 2025 Canada Day celebrations when we come together to celebrate and shine a light on our country and whatever it is that makes you proud! We hope you will share in the day and connect with families, neighbours and friends. 2025 is Canada's 158th birthday, the City of Parksville turns 80 and as part of our celebrations, will recognize the Mount Arrowsmith Pipe Band's 50 years.

The day's activities are coming together nicely with details on [Let's Talk Parksville](#), featuring more of everything! The day kicks off with the popular Shriners pancake breakfast and the best parade on Vancouver Island. There will be live mainstage music at the Parksville Outdoor Theatre from noon to 6.30 pm with three amazing Vancouver Island bands. The gathering plaza will feature buskers (1-9 pm), Craig The Magician

(1-7 pm) and learn to build sandcastles with master sculptor David Kaube (2-5 pm). The picnic shelter will feature face painters (1-5 pm) and Canada Day cake and cupcakes from 2.30 pm. Also, there's a food truck festival planned near the sports fields.



Canada Day parade applications, food truck applications and event updates available on [Let's Talk Parksville](#) and social media. Questions to [canadaday@parksville.ca](mailto:canadaday@parksville.ca).

## MORE LATEST NEWS

- [Transportation master plan update](#)
- [Parksville on list of BC's most economically resilient cities](#)
- [Emergency Management Oceanside - March 31 community update](#)
- [Highlights from Council meeting on April 7](#)
- [Volunteer opportunity on accessibility advisory committee](#)

## REMINDERS AND THINGS WE'D LIKE YOU TO KNOW

### Wood Chipping Program

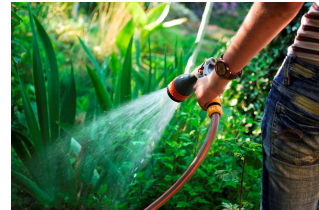
Our wood chipping program is now underway. For properties west of Craig Street, collection is now complete. Collection for properties east of Craig Street are scheduled between April 22 and May 2. Materials must be at curbside by 8 am on April 22. Questions about the program should be directed to [ops@parksville.ca](mailto:ops@parksville.ca) or 250 248-5412.

### Parksville Utility Bills Due April 30

Utility notices mailed twice a year to bill for water, sewer and solid waste (garbage, green bin and recycling services) will have arrived in mailboxes. If you have not yet received your bill in the mail, contact the City's finance department at 250 248-6144 or [cashier@parksville.ca](mailto:cashier@parksville.ca)

### Water Conservation Levels

- Level 1, in effect for April, allows for odd numbered civic addresses may water on odd numbered days and even numbered civic addresses may water on even numbered days.
- Level 2 will be in effect from May to October unless otherwise notified. Odd numbered civic addresses may water on odd numbered days and even numbered addresses may water on even numbered days. Watering times are 7 am to 10 am OR 7 pm to 10 pm for a maximum of two hours of total allocated watering per day.
- Vegetable gardens and fruit trees are exempt from restrictions.
- For details about the City's water conservation program, refer to [Let's Talk Parksville](#).



### Temporary closure of Parksville beaches to dogs

Rathrevor Beach and Parksville Bay beach is closed to dogs until April 30. This closure is in effect for both on-leash and off-leash within Parksville-Qualicum Beach Wildlife Management Area.

Recycle BC pop-up depot in Parksville will continue through 2025, accepting free of charge, flexible plastic packaging, white and coloured foam packaging, glass packaging and paper packaging and cardboard. Materials may be dropped off from



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Next  
**Council Meeting**  
*Wednesday, April 23 - 1 pm*  
[parksville.ca](http://parksville.ca)



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about initiatives important to you and  
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DURING A LOCAL EMERGENCY**

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## CITY DATES

April 18/April 21	Easter Holidays (offices closed)
April 23	Council Meeting, Financial Plan
April 30	Utility notices due
May 5	Council Meeting, Financial Plan
May 7	Special Council Meeting, Financial Plan
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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