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Outdoor Theatre Construction Begins in Parksville Community Park

Construction will soon begin on the new outdoor theatre in the Parksville Community Park. In October 2021, Copcan Civil Ltd was awarded the contract to construct the outdoor theatre along with water, storm and sanitary infrastructure. Copcan will mobilize at the construction site this week and will begin initial work which include tree removal, equipment and materials delivery and fencing. Site excavation will start in mid December and the City expects the project to complete in May 2022.

During construction through May 2022, Ravenhill Road in the Parksville Community Park will be closed to vehicle traffic, Monday to Friday. The road will open for weekends only. The picnic shelter will remain open and available for rentals during construction.

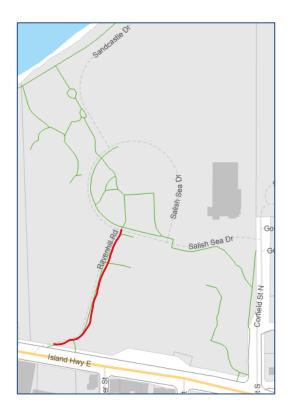
In 2020, the City of Parksville received confirmation of the successful funding award of \$1,263,521 through the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program, Community, Culture and Recreation Infrastructure Stream, for improvements to public spaces in the Parksville Community Park. The project is supported with grants from the federal (\$689,225) and provincial (\$574,296) governments, a grant from the Island Coastal Economic Trust (\$204,000), the Parksville Beach Festival Society and the City of Parksville. The grant award is for two projects in the Parksville Community Park - the outdoor theatre and the gathering plaza. Construction on the gathering plaza to be located near the waterfront gazebo, will begin fall 2022 with completion near yearend 2022.

This project will create community oriented, publicly accessible, multi-purpose space which will be the heart of our community. Follow the project and updates at <u>Let's Talk Parksville</u>.

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