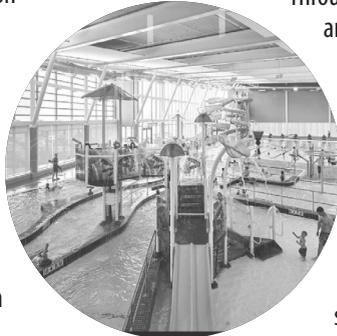


Multiplex Engagement Continues

HDR, engagement specialists for the proposed aquatic and recreation multiplex, are working with the community to help conceptualize the project.

Originally planned in-person, the two workshops on October 27 will now be virtual. The 90-minute workshops include facilitated discussions, small-group exercises, and activities to determine how and where the multiplex could most benefit the community.

RSVP for 1 pm or 6 pm to hdr@parksville.ca. Space will be confirmed, and instructions emailed later. Enrolment is limited and another workshop may be added if interest is high. Please do not sign up unless you plan to attend.



Through early November, the atrium in the Parkville Civic and Technology Centre will feature display boards to help understand the engagement process.

Residents will learn about the project's history, review the feasibility study and recent field studies, and catch up on engagement efforts to date. There will be many opportunities to provide input, including polls, surveys, and open-ended prompts. Project details and updates at letstalkparksville.ca. Stay involved by signing up for newsletters at HDR@parksville.ca.

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Parkville Fire Food Drive 2021

It's almost time for the Parkville Fire Department Fill the Boots for Food annual drive. There will be no door-to-door collection this year; firefighters will collect cash donations at locations in Parkville on Saturday, November 13 and Sunday, November 14, 9 am to 5 pm. As well, firefighters will collect toys for the Society of Organized Services. Donations to the Salvation Army food bank and SOS are extremely important to provide for less fortunate in our community. More info on website and social media. Parkvillefirerescue.ca



Veteran Remembrance Program

Through November, commemorative banners to honour local veterans who gave their lives in World War I and World War II, are on display along Island Highway East between McMillan and McVickers Streets. Approved by Council in 2020, this program honours the sixty veterans listed on the cenotaph.

Despite challenging research to find photos and details, we are pleased to expand the program with a new section on our website which tells the heartwarming stories of these veterans. Please take a few minutes to read these individual stories, we know you won't be disappointed. *[City Hall/Veterans]*

BC ShakeOut - October 21 at 10.21 am

As we adapt to living and working during the pandemic, earthquakes, storms, forest fires and other natural disasters continue. One of the ways to be prepared is to practice how to be safe during an earthquake. Residents are encouraged to find ways to ShakeOut on October 21 at 10.21 am.



We encourage you to participate; register at Shakeoutbc.ca to be counted in the drill and for resources. Intended to create public awareness of earthquake hazards and encourage personal preparedness, participants Drop, Cover and Hold On for two minutes in response to a simulated earthquake event. There's an emergency preparedness guidebook on the EMO website to help you organize or refresh your emergency supply kits as well as preparedness info. *[emergencyoceanside.ca/get-prepared]*

Urban Forest Strategy

We are developing an urban forest strategy to determine baseline information about the state of our urban forest and develop a long-term vision for management and growth. We hope you will share your thoughts through a survey, open until October 22. There's a map to share locations where you value the urban forest or where you think an area needs improvements. This strategy is necessary to help preserve the urban forest, establish acceptable canopy coverage and forest health targets, and achieve these goals while managing challenges. Details on Let's Talk Parkville.

Hirst and Memorial Upgrades

With construction in full swing on Hirst Avenue West, the project team is working at full capacity to get the new underground utilities commissioned. Construction of road surfaces, sidewalks, streetlights, and landscaping will follow pending cooperative weather with the Hirst portion of the project still on schedule for winter completion. Crews have also been working on Hirst at the Alberni Highway through some nights to reduce the effects of construction on nearby businesses, residents and traffic.

Coffee and a Chat with Mayor Mayne

Mayor Ed Mayne invites Parkville residents to join him for an in-person chat on Wednesday afternoons between 2 and 4 pm; October 27, November 17, December 1 and December 15. These drop-in informal chats will be held in the Mayor's office at City Hall.

THINGS TO KNOW

Utility notices are due Friday, October 29. If you did not receive your notice in the mail, please contact the finance department at 250 248-6144. City Hall is open for payments; however, we encourage the public to pay by Canada Post or through online or telephone banking. For online banking, add the City as a payee by searching Parkville, choose the utility option and enter your six-digit account number (not the folio or access code).

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 from November 1 to March 31.

Reminder about leaves on the streets - leaf control is the responsibility of property owners. 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. Leaves must not be raked or blown from lawns onto the street in anticipation of the sweeper truck. Doing so overwhelms the sweeper's capacity and when blown across sidewalks, leaves may compromise pedestrian safety. Blowing or raking leaves into the gutter is illegal and subject to a fine of \$75 (Traffic Bylaw 1436).

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. *[Residents/Rebates]*



City Dates

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| October 18 | Council Meeting |
| October 21 | BC ShakeOut |
| October 27 | Multiplex Workshops |
| October 27 | Coffee with the Mayor |
| November 1 | Council Meeting |
| November 11 | Remembrance Day |
| November 13-14 | Fill the Boots for Food Drive |
| November 15 | Council Meeting |
| November 17 | Coffee with the Mayor |
| December 1 | Coffee with the Mayor |
| December 6 | Council Meeting |
| December 15 | Coffee with the Mayor |

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