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City of Parksville

June 18, 2026

Canada Day celebrations in Parksville are just two weeks away. We are hosting a family-friendly free event for the community with this year's theme, *"Proudly Canadian, Proudly Parksville."* Starting with the Shriners' pancake breakfast on Craig Street and then the best parade on Vancouver Island along Island Highway East. Then it is a full day in Parksville Community Park with music, entertainment and so many activities, demos, Canada Day cupcakes, and more! Check out the schedule on **Let's Talk Parksville** and below.

Our appreciation to the Department of Canadian Heritage, Government of Canada for funding assistance and sponsors Neway Traffic Management, Isle Golf Cars, Thrifty Foods, Black & White Event Rentals, Telus, Absolute Septic Service, PQB News, 88.5 The Beach, and 99.9 The Lounge.

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CANADA DAY

Proudly Canadian Proudly Parksville

Start the day...

10 am Parade *(Island Highway East)* | 7.30 -11 am Shriners' Breakfast *(Craig Street)*

Party in Parksville Community Park!

Displays, demos ...and more!

Mainstage at Parksville Outdoor Theatre

11.30-noon	Opening ceremony
Noon	Oceanside Music Band
12.30-2 pm	Ten Souljers
2.30-4 pm	Kinda Country
4.30-5.30 pm	Abbotsford Youth Orchestra

Gathering Plaza

1-7 pm	Quirk The Magician
2-5 pm	Sandcastles with David Kaube and Parksville Beach Festival staff

Waterfront Gazebo Music 1-9 pm

Claire Coupland | David Hart | Tom Mulder | Woodstick Duo

Where to find this and that...

8.30-10.30 am	Music with Chaz Booth *(Craig Street)*
11 am-6 pm	Family games *(Sports field)*
11 am-evening	Food truck festival *(Sports field)*
Noon-5 pm	Amtgard demonstration *(Sports field)*
1-5 pm	Park golf experience iPGA *(Kite field)*

Picnic Shelter

1-5 pm	Face painters
2 pm	Canada Day cake and cupcakes

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Canada Day Parade

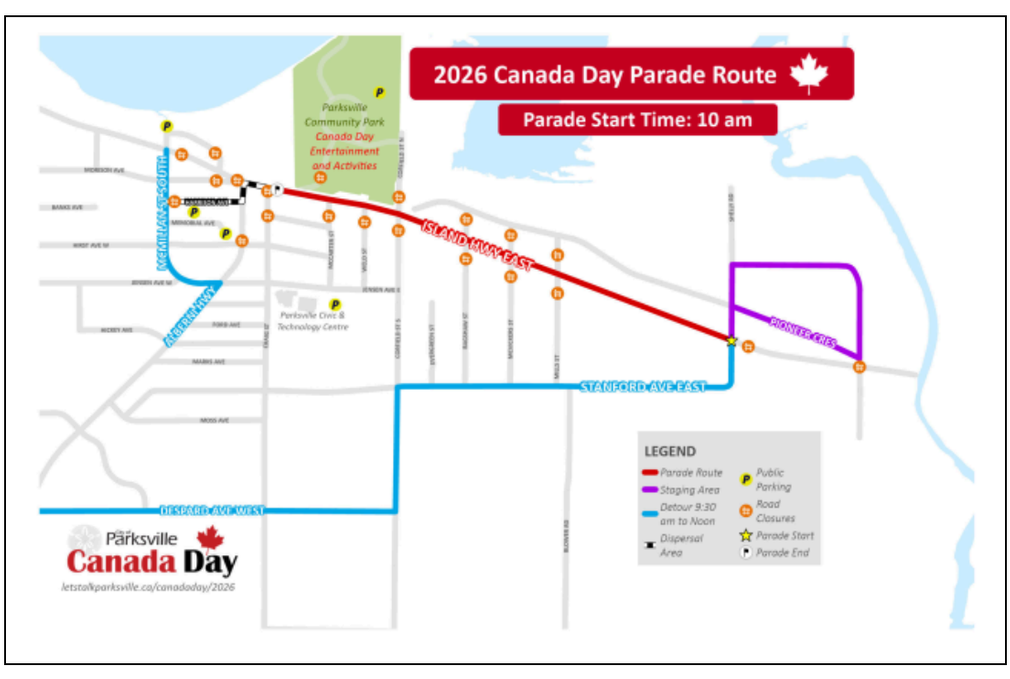
Don't miss being part of Parksville's Canada Day parade; join the Oceanside community spirit to make the Parksville Canada Day parade the best on Vancouver Island. You will find a parade application on **Let's Talk Parksville**; deadline June 22. Email questions to **Canadaday@parksville.ca**

CANADA DAY ROAD CLOSURES AND DETOURS

On July 1, City streets will be used for the annual Canada Day parade. There will be associated road closures, delays and detours in the area between 7.30 am and noon. A map of road closures, staging area and parade and detour routes is provided below. Please note, the parade ends at Craig Street at Island Highway East and does not travel up Craig Street.

The City acknowledges these closures may cause inconvenience and disruption to residents, visitors and businesses, and we appreciate your patience and cooperation during this community event. Please follow the instructions of traffic control.

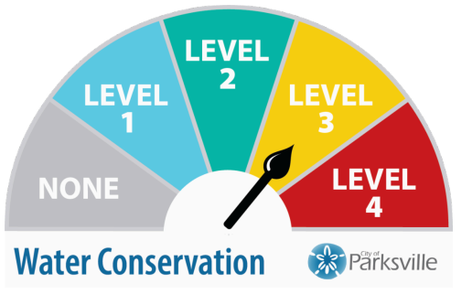
Click map to enlarge



Thank You for Helping to Conserve

Water conservation Level 3 is in effect until further notice. The change to Level 3 was primarily driven by unseasonably warm and dry weather and negligible snowpack on Vancouver Island.

During dry summer months which can lead to a significant increase in water demand, water conservation measures are implemented to manage the high demand. Level 3 allows the City to maintain essential drinking water, hygiene and firefighting capabilities. Limiting non-essential uses like lawn watering, will help to ensure sufficient flow for fish.



Level 3 offers some flexibility for residents to decide where and how to cut back on water use wherever possible. In Level 3, sprinkler watering of lawns is allowed one day per week. Vegetable gardens and fruit trees are exempt from all water conservation levels as are businesses which require water for operations, essential municipal sports fields and nurseries. Refer to **Let's Talk Parksville** for Level 3 guidelines and our suggested water conservation tips.

Parksville Local Government Election 2026

You may vote in the Parksville municipal election as a *resident* elector if you meet all requirements; it does not matter if you rent or own your own home.

- You are a Canadian citizen; AND
- You are or will be 18 years of age or more (October 17, 2008) on or before general voting day; AND
- You have lived in BC for at least 6 months (as of April 16, 2026) prior to registration; AND
- You are or will be a resident of the municipality on the day of registration; AND
- You are not disqualified from voting by the *Local Government Act* or any other act.

When arriving to vote, you will be required to provide two pieces of identification; one containing your name and address, the other containing your name and signature. If you do not have documentation showing residency, then two pieces of identification (with at least one with a signature) are still required and you will be required to make a "solemn declaration" as to your residency.

Where to find more info

*Up-to-date election information is posted to **Let's Talk Parksville** and from a **quicklink** on the homepage of the **City's website**, and in this enews until the election on October 17.*

CANDIDATE INFORMATION SESSIONS

Information sessions for candidates will be held on Tuesday, July 14 (10.30 am to noon) and Wednesday, September 2 (1.30 to 3 pm) in the Forum at City Hall.

Information About Paying Your Property Taxes

We wish to remind residents 2026 property taxes are due by Thursday, July 2, 2026. Tax notices were mailed last week and if you do not receive your notice by June 9, contact 250 248-6144 or **cashier@parksville.ca**.

Regardless of your method, payment must be received at the City of Parksville by the due date of Thursday, July 2 or be subjected to an

immediate 5% penalty. An additional 5% penalty will be applied to current year property taxes outstanding at the end of business on September 15. Penalties are also applied to any unclaimed homeowner grants.

Refer to **Let's Talk Parksville** for financial plan details and staff presentations and reports. Please direct questions to the City's finance department at 250 248-6144.

The following methods of payment are accepted by the City of Parksville:

Online and Telephone Banking
Credit Card Payments
OptionPay
By Mail
By Dropbox
In Person at City Hall
Pre-Authorized Withdrawal Service (PAWS)

Online and Telephone Banking

Most financial institutions offer pay-by-phone or online banking services. Your bank account needs to be setup to conduct online transactions. Contact your bank for details. On your bank's website, log into your account and follow these steps:

- Go to **Pay Bills**
- Select **Add Payee**
- Search **"Parksville"**
- Click **Search** to view the full list of available payees.
- Select the **payee name** that relates to the City of Parksville property tax or utility notice.
- Enter an account number.

Payments by Credit Card

Credit cards may be used to pay for business licences, bylaw infraction tickets and comfort letters. Follow these steps when paying online by Visa or MasterCard. Credit card payments may also be made in-person at City Hall for these fees only.

- Go to **ONLINE PAYMENTS**
- Choose payment type
- Enter your credit card details and account number to proceed with payment

OPTION PAY
PROVIDING ADDITIONAL PAYMENT OPTIONS

Online Payments through OptionPay

A secure way to pay using select credit cards (with applicable third-party fees). Click **HERE** to be taken to the Option Pay page.

HOW TO PAY YOUR PROPERTY TAXES

- In-person, online or by telephone through your financial institution. Do not wait until the due date to pay through your financial institution. Payments made through your bank which are received by the City of Parksville after the due date are subject to penalty. Online payments made on the due date may have a transaction date of the following day and will be considered late. The City recommends making online payments a minimum of two days prior to the due date.
- In-person at City of Parksville by debit, cheque or cash.
- Set up payment through your bank or mortgage company to pay on your behalf.
- Through OptionPay system (with applicable third-party fees).

OTHER ONLINE SERVICES:

- **Register for MyCity** - MyCity is an all-in-one location for tax, utility, dog, and business licence information and will enable you to keep track of your payment and transaction history.
- **Pre-Authorized Withdrawal Service (PAWS)** - PAWS is a preauthorized withdrawal plan which allows taxpayers to contribute a fixed monthly payment towards their taxes and/or utilities.

- **Province of BC Homeowner Grant** - The homeowner grant reduces the amount of property tax you pay for your principal residence. Homeowner grants must be claimed through the Province of BC.
- **Province of BC Property Tax Deferment Program** - The property tax deferment program is a loan program which helps qualified BC homeowners pay their annual property taxes on their principal residence.

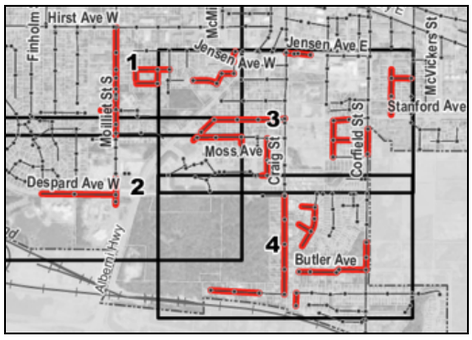
IN THE NEWS!

CCTV Storm and Sanitary Inspections Begin June 22

Closed-circuit television (CCTV) inspection of the City's sanitary and storm sewer mains, including manholes will begin on Monday and is expected to run into September. The program was initiated in 2023 with a goal of collecting accurate, high-quality CCTV inspection footage and data to support asset management needs. The inspections include condition ratings and CCTV video links of the piping, which are integrated into the City's GIS system and provide valuable insights into the status and performance of our underground utility infrastructure.

Please direct questions to the City's operations department at **ops@parksville.ca**. Here are the maps where inspections will take place.

Storm Lines Map



Sanitary Lines Map

THINGS TO KNOW...

Permissive Tax Exemptions - Non-profit organizations in Parksville may be eligible for a 2027 property tax exemption when land or buildings are used for approved non-profit purposes. Council is not obligated to approve a 2027 application based on an organization having received an exemption in previous years. Application deadline 4 pm, June 30. Details, form and policy may be obtained from City Hall or **website**.

E-Bike and E-Scooter share - Booked through an EVO app, e-bikes and e-scooters are here. The zero-emission transportation service in partnership with Evolve offers residents and visitors a fun, affordable and sustainable way to move around Parksville. After a free sign-up, members use the app to find the nearest e-bike and book it by selecting a pin or scanning a bike's QR code, starting and ending each trip at the push of a button. Each device includes complimentary use of a helmet. Info on **Let's Talk Parksville** and **Evolve**. We are excited to share an Evolve **video** about the program in Parksville.

Bids and Tenders - opportunities are listed on our website. Refer to the **website** for the complete list.

CITY DATES

July 1	Parksville Canada Day Celebrations (offices closed)
July 6	Council Meeting
July 20	Council Meeting
August 3	BC Day (offices closed)
September 7	Labour Day (offices closed)
September 9	Council Meeting

For more information:
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