



**May 30, 2024**



## **Canada Day Celebrations!**

We are planning a great family-friendly event which we hope will bring together our region's residents and visitors to celebrate Canada's 157th on July 1 and that you will connect with families, neighbours, and friends at our Canada Day festivities in Parksville. Here's what we have planned for Canada Day in Parksville.

Free family-friendly fun in the sun kicks off with the Shriner's pancake breakfast, then the popular Parksville Canada Day parade followed by activities in the Parksville Community Park. The Parksville Outdoor Theatre will feature *Bobs & Lolo* for the young and young at heart, and the band, *The Apollos*, will provide afternoon dance music. There will be live music in the waterfront gazebo and new gathering plaza from 1 pm to 9 pm and a variety of food trucks will be in the parking lot by the sport fields. Sandcastle Drive to Arbutus Point will close to vehicles for the day with accessible vehicle parking available in the park and general parking in the parking lot behind the curling rink.

CELEBRATE 

# Canada Day 2024

IN PARKSVILLE

## Monday, July 1



The Apollos



Bobs & Lolo



### City of Parksville FREE community event !

7.30 am	Shriner's breakfast	CCCU lot, Craig Street
10 am	Parade	Island Highway East
<b>Parksville Community Park - 193 Island Highway East</b>		
Noon	Opening ceremony	Parksville Outdoor Theatre
1 pm	<i>Bobs &amp; Lolo</i>	Parksville Outdoor Theatre
2 pm	Canada Day cupcakes	Picnic Shelter
2.30 pm	Music from <i>The Apollos</i>	Parksville Outdoor Theatre
11 am - 7 pm	Variety of food trucks	Near sports fields
1 - 9 pm	Live music	Gathering Plaza and Gazebo



[LetsTalkParksville.ca/CanadaDay](https://LetsTalkParksville.ca/CanadaDay)

## Parksville's Canada Day Parade is the best!

Do you have a community group or organization you would like to promote? Are you the coach or organizer of an amazing team, or sports organization? Dance troupe? Cultural organization? Local business or non-profit agency? Get together, decorate your float and join the 2024 Canada Day Parade in Parksville. Parade applications and info on [Let's Talk Parksville](#); deadline June 24. Checkout our [Canada Day Facebook](#) page. If you have questions about Canada Day events, please email [canadaday@parksville.ca](mailto:canadaday@parksville.ca)

## Dance with Me at Memorial

We are looking forward to hosting once again, along with the Parksville Downtown Business Association, *Dance with Me at Memorial* events at the Memorial Plaza, Alberni Highway and Memorial Avenue. It's your chance to learn some new dance moves with free dance instruction by Sara Raymond Dance Academy and music by our favourite DJ, Dave Graham. Dust off your dancing (runners) shoes and join in the fun again this year!

We're excited to host these community events at Memorial Plaza and closer to the

dates, details will be posted on City and PDBA websites. *Dance with Me at Memorial* is a fun, active and social community event for all ages. Bring your family, friends, or come meet others while you learn new dance moves, spectators welcome and no dance experience required.

# Dance With Me at Memorial

Free! Fun! Everyone welcome!



Instruction by Sara Raymond Dance Academy  
and music by DJ Dave Graham



Memorial Plaza - Memorial Avenue and Alberni Highway  
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## REMINDERS AND THINGS TO KNOW...

### Property Taxes Due July 2

Property tax notices will be mailed this week. If you do not receive your notice by June 10, please phone the City at 250 248-6144. Payments must be received and homeowner grants must be claimed by the due date of July 2 to avoid a penalty.



All eligible homeowners are required to apply for their homeowner grant with the Province of BC at [gov.bc.ca/homeownergrant](http://gov.bc.ca/homeownergrant) or by phone at 1 888 355-2700. When making a payment at a bank or through online banking, please allow a minimum of two business days for bank processing time. Regardless of your payment method, payment must be received at the City of Parksville by the due date of Tuesday, 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 16. Penalties are also applied to any unclaimed homeowner grants.

The 2024-2028 financial plan, tax rates and utility rates bylaws were given final adoption by Council in May. The bylaws reflect a 6.6% increase in general municipal property taxes, a 5% increase in metered water and water parcel tax rates, and a 3% increase in sanitary sewer usage and parcel tax rates. Information on the City's 2024-2028 financial plan may be viewed at [letstalkparksville.ca/financial-plan-2024](http://letstalkparksville.ca/financial-plan-2024).

[2024 Property Tax Brochure](#)

City's 2023 Annual Report Available for Review

Each year, the City of Parksville produces an annual report which is a snapshot of goals and accomplishments and includes reports from the Mayor and Chief Administrative Officer as well as department achievements, permissive tax exemptions and financial statements and information.

The *Community Charter* requires all municipalities prepare an annual report before June 30 each year and under the provisions of the *Community Charter*, the annual report is available for public inspection at least 14 days prior to Council considering the report. The annual report includes the following:

- Progress report on the performance of the City compared to established objectives.
- 2023 financial statements and supplemental financial information.
- List of the tax exemptions provided by Council and for each exemption, the amount of property taxes which would have been imposed on the property in 2023 if not exempt.
- Report on municipal services and operations.



Persons who wish to submit a comment or question in writing, should do so before 9 am, June 14:

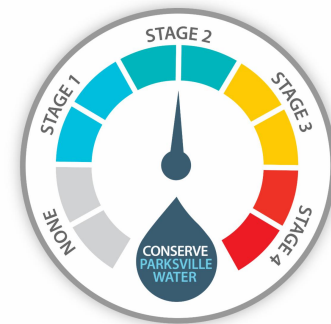
- By email to [council@parksville.ca](mailto:council@parksville.ca)
- By mail to Council, City of Parksville, PO Box 1390, Parksville V9P 2H3
- In person to 100 Jensen Avenue East, Parksville (8 am to 4 pm, weekdays)
- Comment in person at the Council meeting on Monday, June 17.

Parksville residents wishing to learn more about the City's activities and finances may view the 2023 annual report, available on the [City's website](#) and in paper copy at the administrative office, 100 Jensen Avenue East.

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## Water Conservation Stage 2

We encourage all residents to conserve where possible; taking conservation measures early, before our water supplies come under stress, is essential to ensure we can maintain an adequate water supply throughout the hot dry summers we have come to expect.



**Stage 2** is in effect from May 1 through September 30 (unless otherwise notified) and allows for every other day lawn watering between 7 and 10 am OR 7 and 10 pm for a maximum of two hours. Please note vegetable gardens and fruit trees are exempt from watering restrictions. During summer months, our water use can double mainly due to outdoor uses such as watering lawns and gardens and washing cars and outdoor surfaces. Region-wide water use restrictions are an effective way to reduce summer demand and ensure supply for essential services. Please direct questions to [bylaw@parksville.ca](mailto:bylaw@parksville.ca)

**Special watering permits** to support newly planted or turfed lawns and/or

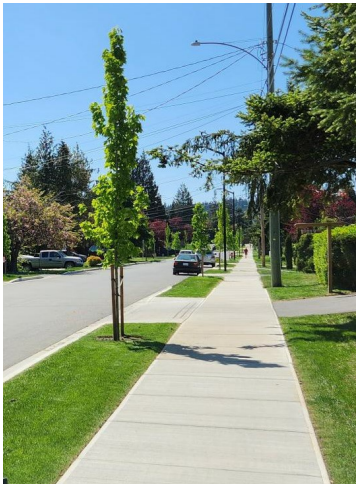
landscaping are available on our [website](#) and may also be obtained from our operations department, 1116 Herring Gull Way, 8 am to 4 pm, Monday to Friday.

Visit our [water conservation page](#) for more information on the importance of reducing our water use and some easy tips on how you save water around your home.

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## Boulevard and Sidewalk Maintenance

Well maintained boulevards add character to neighbourhoods and enhance community pride. Residents, property owners and business operators are responsible for the maintenance and care of the City boulevard adjacent to their property. This includes cutting the grass, trimming hedges and shrubs, and keeping clear of weeds and litter.



The boulevard is the area between your property line and the street curb or shoulder which may or may not include a sidewalk. Property owners and residents are required to maintain the City boulevard bordering their property, where it borders the front, back or sides of the property. In our climate, vegetation grows quickly and can easily become a nuisance or hazard if not managed regularly.

In the City's bylaw, "boulevard" means the area of a highway between the edge of pavement, sidewalk, and/or curb of the roadway and the adjacent property line but excludes a sidewalk. As detailed in the City's

Traffic Bylaw No. 1436, in keeping with a reasonable standard of maintenance, property owners must maintain the boulevard adjoining their property:

- Keep grassed areas trimmed and free of all weeds
- Trim and maintain all plantings
- Remove all garbage and recycling, leaves, rubbish, discarded materials, hazardous objects and materials from boulevards and sidewalks
- Maintain safe pedestrian access to sidewalks
- Maintain safe sightlines for vehicle traffic

Should there be an issue with maintenance of City trees on boulevards, please email [ops@parksville.ca](mailto:ops@parksville.ca) and we will respond to concerns. Property owners should not cause damage, cut down, or remove City trees.

Please note, failure to maintain boulevards may result in enforcement action from City bylaw compliance officers. Questions should be directed to [bylaw@parksville.ca](mailto:bylaw@parksville.ca)

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## Recycle BC Pop-up Depot

The depot in Parksville is 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 10 am to 3 pm at 1080 Industrial Way, Parksville on June 8, June 22, July 6, July 13, July 27, and August 10. For more dates and info, visit Recycle BC [website](#).

**More on our website:**

- [Parksville Community Park Food Truck Vendors](#)
- [City of Parksville Supports Oceanside Running Track](#)
- [Grant Funding Utilized by City of Parksville in 2023](#)

# WE'RE HIRING!

We are seeking qualified candidates for these positions:

**Engineering Technologists II and III**  
**Labourer II**

*More info here*

## COMING UP AT COUNCIL

### Next Council Meeting - Monday, June 3

Our next regular Council meeting will be held on June 3 at 1 pm. Here's some general information for you:

- Meeting agendas are posted to the website on the Thursday before a Monday meeting.
- Meetings may be viewed from webstreaming on our website, both live and archived.
- We post meeting highlights to the website the day after the Council meeting, a great way to catch up on decisions made by Council.
- The public is welcome to attend meetings in person. Meetings are held in the Forum, 100 Jensen Avenue East.
- Comments may be emailed to [council@parksville.ca](mailto:council@parksville.ca). Residents wishing comments to be considered by Council prior to the meetings, should be received by 4 pm on the working day before the meeting.

[Agendas](#) | [Minutes](#) | [Reports](#)

## CITY DATES

June 3	Council Meeting
June 17	Council Meeting
June 21	National Indigenous Peoples Day
July 1	Canada Day (offices closed)
July 2	Property taxes due
July 3	Council Meeting
July 4	Dance with Me at Memorial
July 15	Council Meeting
July 18	Dance with Me at Memorial
August 1	Dance with Me at Memorial
August 5	BC Day (offices closed)
August 15	Dance with Me at Memorial

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**For more information:**

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