



## LATEST NEWS



## See You at Victoria's Canada Day, July 1

You won't want to miss Victoria's Canada Day, presented by Central Walk, noon – 10:30 p.m. at Ship Point off Wharf Street on the Inner Harbour. The festivities begin with an Indigenous traditional canoe protocol and Welcome Ceremony, including a performance by the Lekwungen Traditional Dancers. Blues rocker Jesse Roper headlines the VREB Main Stage which features an impressive lineup of local, award-winning performers throughout the day. Visit the Multicultural Street Market for artisans and food, plus families will love the Kid's Zone. The day ends with a spectacular fireworks display, presented by Reliance Properties. [Learn more](#)



## Property Tax

### Property Taxes are Due on July 4

A reminder that property taxes are due on Monday, July 4. There are many payment options available. [Learn more](#)



VICTORIA RECONCILIATION  
DIALOGUES

### Rethinking Heritage in the Context of Reconciliation

### Register Now for Dialogue #6

Plans to take part in this community conversation on July 11 that will explore how to retain and celebrate Victoria's colonial-built heritage at the same time as recognizing, honouring and making Lekwungen culture visible again. [Learn more](#)

### A Meaningful Way to Participate in Reconciliation

The City of Victoria has established the new fund to create an opportunity for anyone to make a voluntary contribution towards reconciliation. The fund will be used by the Songhees Nation and Esquimalt Nation to achieve the goals and aims of their communities. [Learn more](#)



Reconciliation  
Contribution Fund



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## Missing Middle Housing Pre-Public Hearing Information Session, Tuesday, July 12

The Missing Middle Housing Initiative proposes to allow houseplexes and corner townhouses in addition to single-family homes in traditional residential areas of the city. Learn more and ask questions at a virtual or in-person info session. [Learn more](#)

### Help make Victoria more accessible.

#### Apply to Serve on the City's Accessibility Advisory Committee

Want to help make Victoria more accessible? The City of Victoria is looking for two people with accessibility challenges or lived experience of disability, to serve on its Accessibility Advisory Committee. Learn more and apply by July 15. [Learn more](#)

## Have Your Say on Potential Updates to the OCP

Last summer we heard from you about potential updates to the Official Community Plan. Based on your input, detailed summaries of the updates being considered for your community have been created and are now ready for your review. The proposed updates improve clarity with best practices from 10 years of OCP implementation, respond to emerging trends for areas like housing affordability and design, and ensure the OCP is aligned with recently approved policies and plans like the Climate Action Plan and GoVictoria. Take the survey before July 17 at [engage.victoria.ca/ocp](https://engage.victoria.ca/ocp) to provide your feedback. [Learn more](#)



## New Secure Way to Park your Ride

A free bike valet is now open in downtown Victoria! Bring your e-bikes, cargo bikes, strollers, skateboards and other forms of active transportation to City Hall where you can enjoy peace of mind that your bike is safe, seven days a week. Conveniently located on Pandora Avenue, this service operates like a coat check, but for bikes! With free registration with [Project 529](#), this is the best place to park your ride. [Learn more](#). Stay tuned for more information about what else the City is doing to improve bike parking,



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including upgrades to the Yates Street Parkade, on-street bike corrals, bike shelters at community centres and schools, and a Borrow a Bike Lock program.



### Want to ride more often in Victoria?

Unsure of the best routes or the rules of the road? Sign up for FREE, guided community rides hosted by Capital Bike- happening all summer long!

Featuring different destinations along comfortable routes within the cycling network, these community rides are a great way to gain experience exploring the city by bike.

Choose which ride is best for you- Register for free and get more tips for sharing bikeways & multi-use pathways: [Victoria.ca/WaytoGo](https://victoria.ca/waytogo)



### This Grant Program is all About Community

Have an idea to bring more life to a public space and bring people together? Check out our My Great Neighbourhood Grant program.

This program helps residents animate public space, develop and enhance a sense of community and leave a positive legacy in our neighbourhoods. Grant applications will be reviewed monthly and funds will be distributed on a first- come, first- funded basis. This grant process will close on October 31, 2022. [Learn more](#)

### Going Electric is Easier than You Think

Do you have questions about e-bikes, electric vehicles or EV charging? Visit the CRD's Charge Your Ride display at outdoor events this summer to ask questions, get a feel for vehicle chargers and see if an e-bike or EV would work for you and your family. [Learn more](#) and complete a quick survey for your chance to WIN an e-bike.



### Interested in Working the 2022 Victoria Election?

We're hiring 300 people for a variety of roles on advance voting days and on election day. [Learn more](#)

### Growing in the City Summer Programming

City of Victoria Recreation is offering an exciting suite of new and returning programs to help you develop your green thumb, get outside, and celebrate the Year of the Garden! Check out our kids' nature and food themed summer camps, inspiring food garden tours, and seasonal cooking & food preservation classes. For full details and to register go [here](#).



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**WHAT'S UP AT COUNCIL?**

	Committee of the Whole (COTW) 9:00 a.m.	Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.
July	7, 14, 21, 28	14, 28

Decisions made at Council can be found on our [Council Highlights](#) page. If you are interested in knowing how the councillors voted on anything, you can now see and track Council voting records with the City [Council Meeting Dashboard](#). The public is once again welcome to attend these meetings in person. Meetings can also be viewed on the City's [live stream webcast page](#).



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