

July 14, 2021

FOI No: 2021-27

VIA EMAIL – Redacted

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Dear Redacted

Re: Request for Records  
Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act

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The City of White Rock has reviewed your request for access to the following records pursuant to the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (the "Act"):

- *the weekly Staff reports to Council for the current year 2021*

Access to these records is available. However, some of the information in the records is excepted from the disclosure requirements of the Act. I have severed the excepted information so that I could disclose to you the remaining information as attached.

The severed information is excepted from disclosure under sections 15 and 22 of the Act. Severing under section 15 is necessary because disclosure could harm the security of a property or system. Severing under section 22 is necessary to avoid disclosing any third-party personal information without permission.

Please contact our office if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,



Ken Overton  
Manager, Property, Risk Management, and FOI  
604-541-2104

Att.

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If you believe that the City of White Rock has been unreasonable in its handling of your request, you may ask the Information and Privacy Commissioner to review our response. You have 30 days from receipt of this notice to request a review by writing to:

Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner  
3rd Floor, 756 Fort Street  
Victoria BC V8W 1H2

Should you decide to request a review, please provide the Commissioner's office with:

1. your name, address, and telephone number;
2. a copy of this letter;
3. a copy of your original request sent to the City of White Rock; and
4. the reasons or grounds upon which you are requesting the review.



## 2021-01-08 Weekly Activity Update

Guillermo Ferrero <GFerrero@whiterockcity.ca>

Fri 2021-01-08 12:02 PM

To: Mayor and Council <MayorandCouncil@whiterockcity.ca>

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2021-01-08 Weekly Council Bulletin.pdf;

Hello Mayor and Council,

Happy New Year!

Please see this year's first Activity Update as well as the Council Correspondence, which is attached.

### **Updates include:**

1. Pay Parking Weekly Update
2. Building Heights Outside the Town Centre: Digital Public Open House and Survey
3. Marine Drive Stabilization and Bin Wall Repair
4. Registration for White Rock Recreation and Culture Programs
5. Winter Break Skates
6. Skating Lessons
7. New Sculpture Installed, Not Unveiled Yet
8. Update from the Fire Chief on COVID-19

### **1. Pay Parking Weekly Update**

**Department:** Financial Services

**Summary:** Free Parking at the Waterfront will continue until the end of January. Pay Parking will again be in effect at the Waterfront as of Feb. 1.

Decals and permits for 2021 can be purchased on request through the City's website.

**Contact:** Ralph Volkens

**Link:** [whiterockcity.ca/parking](http://whiterockcity.ca/parking)

#### **Key Messages:**

- Free Parking at Waterfront will continue until Jan. 31.
- Shoulder season parking rates are in effect starting Feb. 1.
- Decals and permits for 2021 can be purchased through the City's website.

### **2. Building Heights Outside the Town Centre: Digital Public Open House and Survey**

**Department:** Planning and Development Services

**Summary:** Staff will be presenting options for changes to the Official Community Plan (OCP) for Building Heights outside of the Town Centre at a digital public open house on Jan. 14, 2021. (See the [LINK](#) for details on accessing the Microsoft Teams live event). After the event, on Jan. 15, a community survey will be launched on [talkwhiterock.ca/ocp-review](http://talkwhiterock.ca/ocp-review) to obtain feedback on the options presented and to collect any other thoughts the community wants to share on this topic.

The Jan. 14 event will be recorded and made available for later viewing on the City's [YouTube](#) channel. Further details on the options to be presented are available in the related report on the Jan. 11 agenda of Land Use and Planning Committee. (See the [LINK](#), beginning at page 217.)

Here is a map of the three specific areas being considered for changes.



Following the public engagement on this topic, as well as consultation with external stakeholders, staff will report back with the results and proposed bylaw changes. This is expected in February/March 2021.

**Contact:** Carl Isaak

**Link:**

[City of White Rock online calendar](#)

**Key Messages:**

- Staff will be presenting policy options for building heights outside the Town Centre at a digital live meeting on Jan. 14.
- An online community survey will follow on Jan. 15 for the public to provide feedback at [talkwhiterock.ca/ocp-review](http://talkwhiterock.ca/ocp-review).
- Following this consultation, staff will report back to Council in early Spring 2021 with the results and proposed bylaw changes for the OCP Review.
- Any bylaw changes would involve a public hearing before a final decision is made.
- This consultation was advertised through a mailout to all households in White Rock in early January 2021, as well as in the Peace Arch News.

### 3. Marine Drive Stabilization and Bin Wall Repair

**Department:** Engineering and Municipal Operations

**Summary:** The project for the stabilization of Marine Drive with micro piles is nearing completion. An investigation of the metal bin walls located on the slope below Marine Drive was included in the scope of this project. Once the materials overlaying the bin wall structural components were removed it



became evident that these components were significantly deteriorated. The Geotechnical Engineer recommended that these bin walls be strengthened within five years.

While these bin walls are no longer integral to the stability of Marine Drive due to the micro pile installation, their failure could result in materials sliding down the slope onto the railway and Promenade below. Council awarded \$500,000 to the companies currently finalizing the Marine Drive Stabilization Project to repair the bin walls with soil anchors and shotcrete.

This final work to install anchors and protect the bin walls with shotcrete is delayed two weeks due to the recent extremely wet weather, although the project remains slightly under budget.

Construction completion is scheduled for the end of January.

**Remaining work and schedule:**

- The contractor is currently anchoring the bin walls.
- The contractor will shotcrete the bin wall with full encapsulation to protect the metal from the elements to extend the life span of the wall.
- The contractor will schedule temporary roadwork repairs and return in March to repave the road for the final product.
- The contractor will schedule temporary sidewalk repairs and return in March for the final product.
- Alternating traffic will be required during construction hours for permanent road works and the sidewalk on Marine Drive in March. (A full road closure is not required.)
- The schedule will be extended to the end of January due to weather conditions and the full encapsulation work.
- Two-way traffic will be reinstated once the shotcrete work is complete at the end of January.
- The contractor will be demobilized at the end of January and return in March, as noted above.



**Contact:** Jim Gordon

**Key Messages:**

- The project for the stabilization of Marine Drive with micro piles is nearing completion.
  - This final work to install anchors and protect the bin walls with shotcrete is delayed by two weeks due to the recent extremely wet weather.
  - The project remains slightly under budget.
  - Construction completion is scheduled for the end of January.
  - The contractor will return in March for final road and sidewalk works.

#### 4. Registration for White Rock Recreation and Culture Programs

**Department:** Recreation and Culture

**Summary:** Registration for the White Rock Recreation and Culture Winter 2021 session opened Jan. 4. A variety of programs for all ages is offered with classes beginning the week of Jan. 18.

A total of 539 registrations was processed in the first three days of registration. All classes will follow the updated Provincial health safety guidelines with limited capacity.

**Contact:** Sylvia Yee

**Link:** [whiterockcity.ca/register](http://whiterockcity.ca/register)

**Key Messages:**

- Winter 2021 Recreation and Culture programming starts in mid-January.
- 539 registrations were processed in the first three days of registration.
- Class protocols are in place to comply and align with current public health guidelines

#### 5. Winter Break Skates

**Department:** Recreation and Culture

**Summary:** White Rock Recreation and Culture offered increased skate sessions at Centennial Arena over the Winter break with two skating sessions offered daily from Monday to Thursday. The additional recreation opportunities were appreciated by local families and the limited capacity sessions were sold out.

**Contact:** Sylvia Yee

**Link:** [whiterockcity.ca/skate](http://whiterockcity.ca/skate)

**Key Messages:**

- Increased public skate sessions were offered at Centennial Arena over the winter break.
- There were 425 registrants in the Winter Break skates.

#### 6. Skating Lessons



**Department:** Recreation and Culture

**Summary:** The Winter 2021 Recreation session will offer skating programs, including skating lessons for children, which have been modified to ensure public safety. The skating lessons are being welcomed by the community. A recent comment from a parent to our recreation staff was “We are so glad the lessons are back! My kids love the White Rock program and instructors and don’t want to skate anywhere else.” The skating lesson programs were over 60-per-cent full by the second day of registration.

**Contact:** Sylvia Yee

**Key Messages:**

- Skating lessons will begin Jan. 23.
- Public safety protocols are in place

## 7. New Sculpture Installed, Not Unveiled Yet

**Department:** Recreation and Culture

**Summary:** Passersby may notice a large, covered structure at the corner of George Street and Thrift Avenue. This is Metz & Chew’s *The Great Blue*. It is a large-scale metal heron sculpture for the Marcon development. It was paid for by the developer with a member of the Public Art Advisory Committee and the former Cultural Development Manager participating as jurors on the selection panel. A public art consultant was contracted by the developer to facilitate the process. The sculpture will remain covered until the unveiling takes place, after residents have moved in.

**Contact:** Elizabeth Keurvorst

**Key Messages:**

- The Great Blue is a large-scale heron sculpture by noted artists Jacqueline Metz and Nancy Chew and is located at the corner of George Street and Thrift Avenue.
- The sculpture was commissioned by the private developer Marcon.
- A member of the Public Art Advisory Committee and the former Cultural Development Manager sat on the selection panel in line with the City’s Public Art Policy.
- The sculpture was installed on Jan. 6 but will remain covered until the unveiling date, which is yet to be announced.

## 8. Update from the Fire Chief on COVID-19

**Department:** White Rock Fire Rescue

**Summary:** The Province reported 761 new cases of COVID-19 yesterday along with eight more deaths—all associated with long-term care facilities. Thursday’s reported case count was the highest one-day total of new cases since Dec. 13. The province’s death toll now stands at 970.

There are currently 6,349 active cases in the province with another 8,849 people isolating due to possible exposure. The number of active cases has dropped by over 3,000 in the last month. B.C. has now recorded 56,015 total cases with approximately 84 per cent having recovered.

Of the new cases, 484, or 64 per cent, are in the Fraser Health region, 96 cases, or 13 per cent, are in Interior Health, and 94 cases, or 12 per cent, are in the Vancouver Coastal Health region. The Province



reports 372 patients in hospital with 74 of those in intensive care.

The Province has now provided at least one dose of the COVID-19 vaccine to 41,064 people.

**Contact:** Ed Wolfe

**Key Messages:**

- B.C. has now recorded approximately 56,000 cases of COVID-19 with 6,349 remaining active.
- The number of active cases has dropped by over 3,000 in the last month.
- There are currently 372 COVID-19 patients in hospital with 74 in intensive care.
- The Province has provided at least one dose of the COVID-19 vaccine to 41,064 people.

Have a great weekend,

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## 2021-01-15 Weekly Activity Update

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Fri 2021-01-15 11:50 AM

To: Mayor and Council <MayorandCouncil@whiterockcity.ca>

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2021-01-15 Weekly Council Bulletin.pdf;

Hello Mayor and Council,

Please see this week's Activity Update as well as the Council Correspondence, which is attached.

Here is the list of activities for this week:

1. 2021-2022 Council Strategic Priorities: Updates Online
2. Parking Update: Decals, Permits and Return to Paid Waterfront Parking
3. White Rock Elementary Expansion: Public Information Meeting Feb. 3
4. Curling Season Cancelled Due to COVID-19 Restrictions
5. Provincial Health Order Extension affects Winter Recreation Session
6. Christmas on the Peninsula Virtual Event
7. Online Employee COVID-19 Awareness Training Launched
8. Update from the Fire Chief on COVID-19

### 1. 2021-2022 Council Strategic Priorities: Updates Online

**Departments:** All

**Summary:** At the beginning of each four-year term of office, White Rock City Council sets the long-term vision and strategic plan for the City of White Rock. Council's Strategic Priorities provide the community with the goals the City will achieve and describes how the City will achieve them. Council's Strategic Priorities are an important element within the work plan of City employees.

Two years into Council's four-year term, the City has achieved 60 per cent of the priorities identified in Council's 2018-2022 Strategic Priorities. This was achieved despite the COVID-19 global pandemic.

City Council has taken a fresh look at White Rock's Strategic Priorities for the next two years of the Council term.

The high and top priority items in Council's 2021-2022 Strategic Priorities are now listed online at [whiterockcity.ca/priorities](http://whiterockcity.ca/priorities). The publication is being updated and will also be posted on the web. The dashboard is available at this location. A news release is being developed that will be released early next week with a link to the update. This will be followed by posts on social media.

**Contact:** Guillermo Ferrero

**Link:** [whiterockcity.ca/priorities](http://whiterockcity.ca/priorities)

**Key Messages:**

- Council's Strategic Priorities provide the community with the goals the City will achieve and describes how the City will achieve them.
- Two years into Council's four-year term, the City has achieved 60 per cent of the priorities identified in Council's 2018-2022 Strategic Priorities—despite the global pandemic.
- The high and top priority items in Council's 2021-2022 Strategic Priorities are now listed online at [www.whiterockcity.ca/priorities](http://www.whiterockcity.ca/priorities).

### 2. Parking Update: Decals, Permits and Return to Paid Waterfront Parking



**Department:** Financial Services

**Summary:** Free Parking at White Rock's Waterfront will continue until the end of January. Pay parking goes into effect at the Waterfront starting Feb. 1.

2021 Decals and Permits can be purchased through the City's website.

City staff are experiencing a large volume of permit and decal requests and are working hard to clear the backlog. Requests were at 247 requests this week and the City is receiving 50 additional requests each day. Staff continue to mail out decals and permits to residents who have had their requests approved. Parking enforcement will take the backlog into account.

**Contact:** Ralph Volkens

**Link:** [whiterockcity.ca/parking](http://whiterockcity.ca/parking)

**Key Messages:**

- Free Parking at Waterfront will continue until Jan. 31
- Shoulder Season Rates are in effect until Feb. 1.
- There is currently a backlog of 247 requests for permits and decals, with 50 new requests daily.
- Staff continue to mail out decals and permits to residents whose requests have been approved.
- Parking enforcement will take the backlog into account.

### 3. White Rock Elementary Expansion: Public Information Meeting Feb. 3

**Department:** Planning and Development Services

**Summary:** A Public Information Meeting will be hosted by the Board of Education School District No. 36, Surrey, on Wednesday, Feb. 3 from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. The meeting will be run as a "Live Event" using Microsoft Teams.

The purpose of the meeting is to introduce a proposed Development Variance Permit application to permit a 1,046 square-metre (11,255 square-foot) addition/extension to the east side of White Rock Elementary School, adding eight classrooms to the school building. The variance would allow the addition to have heights of 12.4 metres to the "top of ridge" and 15.7 metres to the "top of cupola," which would match the height of the existing ridge and cupola. The existing Civic/Institutional Use (P-1) Zone sets a maximum height of 10.7 metres. All other P-1 Zone standards and the general standards of City of White Rock Zoning Bylaw, 2012, No. 2000 would be upheld.

At the time the elementary school building was constructed, the zoning did not have a maximum building height. The proposed addition is to an area of the school where there was previously a three-storey building.

#### Digital Approach to Public Information Meeting

The digital approach to the meeting is being used to protect the health and safety of the public during the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. City staff will be in attendance to introduce and monitor the meeting and to report back to Council. The proponent will provide a presentation at the start of the meeting, followed by a question-and-answer period.

**Contact:** Greg Newman

**Link:** Meeting details and event link: [whiterockcity.ca/calendar](http://whiterockcity.ca/calendar)

**Key Messages:**

- A Public Information Meeting will be hosted by the Board of Education School District No. 36, Surrey, on Wednesday, Feb. 3 from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.
- The meeting, which will be run as a "Live Event" using Microsoft Teams, is regarding a development variance permit to allow an eight-classroom expansion to White Rock Elementary.
- Expansion on the east side of the school will follow the same height and profile of the existing school building but is looking to go above the maximum height limits set in the Zoning Bylaw, which



were not in place when the existing school was constructed.

- Meeting details and the event link can be found at [whiterockcity.ca/calendar](http://whiterockcity.ca/calendar). For more information about the public information meeting, please contact Greg Newman at [gnewman@whiterockcity.ca](mailto:gnewman@whiterockcity.ca) or 604-541-2142.

#### 4. Curling Season Cancelled Due to COVID-19 Restrictions

**Department:** Recreation and Culture

**Summary:** The Peace Arch Curling Club (PACC) Board of Directors has decided to cancel the remainder of this year's curling season due to the impacts of COVID-19 and related public health orders.

On Dec. 8, 2020, public health orders were released banning all indoor adult team sports until Jan. 8, 2021. This restriction forced the PACC to stop play, and to await the outcome of the Provincial Health Officer's reassessment.

On Jan. 7, 2021, the Provincial Health Officer stated that the current Public Health Orders, including the ban on all indoor adult team sports, will apply until Feb. 5, 2021 at midnight.

Based on this latest announcement, the PACC Board of Directors met on Jan. 9, 2021 and decided to cancel curling for the remainder of the 2020-21 season. The Board will review the financial impact of closing the club, and plan to restart curling in fall 2021.

The club plans to begin ice removal this week.

Candlelight Cuisine will continue to operate its catering and meal preparation service at the curling club and the club manager will continue to work in the office until the end of April 2021. City staff will work with the curling club manager to explore possible recreational activities or rentals for the roughly 9,000 square-foot dry floor area during the curling shutdown.

**Contact:** Eric Stepura

**Key Messages:**

- The Peace Arch Curling Club Board of Directors has cancelled the remainder of this year's curling season due to the impacts of COVID-19 and related health orders banning all adult indoor team sports activities.
- The Board will review the financial impact of closing the club, and plan to restart curling in fall 2021.
- Candlelight Cuisine will continue to operate its catering and meal preparation service at the curling club.
- City staff will work with the curling club manager to explore possible recreational activities or rentals for the roughly 9,000 square-foot dry floor area during the curling shutdown.

#### 5. Provincial Health Order Extension affects Winter Recreation Session

**Department:** Recreation and Culture

**Summary:** The most recent Provincial Health Order was extended to Feb. 5, affecting some recreation programs. The start date of all high-intensity indoor group fitness and dance classes as well as the new "social pod" bookings at the Kent Street Activity Centre will be delayed until after the restrictions are relaxed. A full list of the affected programs is available online. Partial refunds or credits for the cancelled classes will be provided to registered participants when the classes begin. Registered participants were contacted directly.

**Contact:** Sylvia Yee

**Link:** [whiterockcity.ca/recreation](http://whiterockcity.ca/recreation)

**Key Messages:**

- The extension of the Provincial Health Order has delayed the start date of some of the winter 2021 recreation programs.

- All registered participants have been contacted and will receive refunds or credits for cancelled classes.

## 6. Christmas on the Peninsula Virtual Event

**Department:** Recreation and Culture

**Summary:** Christmas on the Peninsula is a popular annual holiday event usually held at the White Rock Community Centre. This year's event was virtual and received many online views, keeping this local Christmas tradition accessible during the pandemic.

**Contact:** Elizabeth Keurvorst

**Link:** [christmasonthepeninsula.com](http://christmasonthepeninsula.com)

**Key Messages:**

- Christmas on the Peninsula was a popular virtual event in 2020.
- The online event received over 1,260 views throughout the season.

## 7. Online Employee COVID-19 Awareness Training Launched

**Department:** Human Resources

**Summary:** To ensure the health and safety of employees, the City has launched an online Employee COVID-19 Awareness course. All staff are asked to complete the 30-minute course by the end of February. It is accessible 24/7 through a web link using a computer, tablet or phone.

Participants must answer knowledge questions after each section to ensure they are understanding and retaining the content. This course has been added to the onboarding of new employees to capture people starting with the City past this initial rollout.

**Contact:** Candice Roffe

**Link:** <https://myopinionsmatter.ca/f//WhiteRock-COVID-19>

**Key Messages:**

- The City has launched Online Employee COVID-19 Awareness training to ensure the health and safety of employees and to meet legal requirements.
  - All employees are asked to complete the course by Feb. 26, 2021.
  - This course has been added to new employees onboarding to ensure all employees receive this training.
  - The course is accessible through various platforms.

## 8. Update from the Fire Chief on COVID-19

**Department:** White Rock Fire Rescue

**Summary:** The Province reported 536 new cases of COVID-19 yesterday along with seven additional deaths. Thursday's report lowered the seven-day average for new cases in the province to 517. The province's death toll now stands at 1,038, increasing by 68 over the week.

There are currently 4,624 active cases in the province with another 7,303 people isolating due to possible exposure. The number of active cases is now at the lowest it's been since Nov. 6, and fewer than half of the 10,039 active cases recorded at their peak on Dec. 14.

B.C. has now recorded 59,608 total cases with approximately 88 per cent of those cases recovered.

Of the new cases, 253, or 47 per cent, are in the Fraser Health region; 115, or 21 per cent, are in Interior Health; and 102 cases, or 19 per cent, are in the Vancouver Coastal Health region. The Province reports 362 patients in hospital with 74 patients in intensive care.



The Province has now provided at least one dose of the COVID-19 vaccine to 69,746 people, representing 1.36 per cent of the province's population.

**Contact:** Ed Wolfe

**Key Messages:**

- B.C. has now recorded 59,608 cases of COVID-19 with 4,624 cases remaining active.
  - The number of active cases has dropped by over 50 per cent since peaking in December.
  - There are currently 362 COVID-19 patients in hospital with 74 patients in intensive care.
  - The Province has provided at least one dose of the vaccine to 69,746 people.

Have a great weekend!

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## 2021-01-15 \*NEW\* Weekly Activity Update

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Fri 2021-01-15 3:03 PM

To: Mayor and Council <MayorandCouncil@whiterockcity.ca>

Hello Council,

Please find an additional Activity Update for this week:

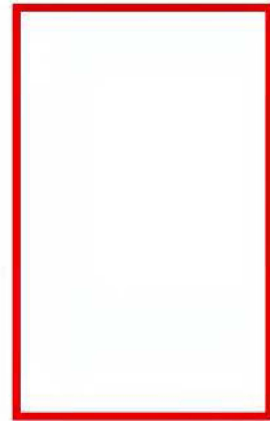
### **New Public Hearing Web Pages**

**Departments:** Planning and Development, Corporate Administration

**Summary:** Following Provincial health orders in place to protect health and safety during the COVID-19 pandemic, the City of White Rock is holding virtual public meetings. These include public hearings, public meetings, public information meetings and open houses. To ensure people can easily find the calendar of meetings, related information and meeting links, the City has created a dedicated web page at [whiterockcity.ca/publichearings](http://whiterockcity.ca/publichearings).

The web page includes ways to participate, whether in-person, by phone, in writing or online. A new Calendar category "Public Hearing/Meetings and Information Meetings" has been added to the City's Calendar and residents are able to subscribe to new meeting updates directly to their email inbox. A description of the Public Hearings and Public Information Meetings has been updated in the Calendar to include the full notice that is published in the Peace Arch News.

There is also an area on the Calendar page to list Featured Events, which was recently done with the OCP Heights presentation prior to the January 14 digital meeting.



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### Calendar

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List Week Month

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#### Council and Committee Meetings

Day	Event	Date	Time
January 18, 2021	Public Hearing - 1485 Fir Street & 15501 and 15509 Oxenham Avenue (Via Telephone)	January 18, 2021	6:00 PM
January 19, 2021	COVID-19 Recovery Task Force (via electronic means)	January 19, 2021	4:00 PM

#### Featured Events

### MY CITY

Public Hearing - 1485 Fir Street & 15501 and 15509 Oxenham Avenue (Via Telephone)  
January 18, 2021  
Event Details

**Contact:** Tracey Arthur

**Link:** [whiterockcity.ca/publichearings](http://whiterockcity.ca/publichearings)

**Key Messages:**

- Following Provincial health orders in place to protect health and safety during the COVID-19 pandemic, the City of White Rock is holding virtual public hearings/ meetings.
- These include public hearings, public information meetings and open houses.
- To ensure people can easily find a calendar of meetings, the related information and meeting links, the City has created a dedicated web page at [whiterockcity.ca/publichearings](http://whiterockcity.ca/publichearings).
- Residents are able to subscribe to the page to get meeting notices of updates to the page in their inboxes.

Thanks,  
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## 2021-01-22 Weekly Activity Update

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Fri 2021-01-22 11:51 AM

To: Mayor and Council <MayorandCouncil@whiterockcity.ca>

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Hello Mayor and Council,

Please see this week's Activity Update as well as the Council Correspondence, which is attached.

Here is the list of activities for this week:

1. City of White Rock Snow and Ice Control: Update on Readiness
  2. Surveys and Talk White Rock
  3. Recreation and Culture offers Zoom Fitness and Recreation Classes
  4. Winter Recreation Session began this week
  5. Zoom Workshops Offered
  6. Kent Street Activity Centre Collecting Tablets
  7. Marine Drive Stabilization and Bin Wall Repair
  8. Parking Update
  9. Peace Arch Hospital Fire Operations
  10. Auxiliary Firefighter Recruitment
11. Update from the Fire Chief on COVID-19

### 1. City of White Rock Snow and Ice Control: Update on Readiness

**Department:** Engineering and Municipal Operations

**Summary:** During this season, the City of White Rock keeps the city's streets safe for travel beginning with emergency routes, arterial routes and bus routes. These are followed by primary routes, neighborhood collectors and solid waste routes. The City then takes care of all the side roads, including lanes. Crews are ready to respond to snow 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

**Contact:** Jim Gordon

**Key Messages:**

- Crews are ready to respond to snow 24/7.
- The Winter Driving and Plow operation training session is complete.
- All equipment is ready and operational to clear the roads.
- The brine truck is operational and has been deployed.
- The salt shed is full and the City has secured salt for this season.
- Barricades are placed at the nine hillside closures, ready to be set up in the event a major front moves in.

### 2. Surveys and Talk White Rock

**Department:** Communications

**Summary:** The City's online engagement platform, [talkwhiterock.ca](http://talkwhiterock.ca), has been experiencing some delays in posting new pages and surveys. The vendor, Bang the Table, sent an email message to the City apologizing for the issues.

"We'd like to apologize for the intermittent load speed issues you are experiencing with your engagementHQ portal. We regret the inconvenience and understand there is no worse time to have an outage or slow site performance than when you have invited your community to provide feedback..."

Until Friday, we had not seen traffic at these levels in 13 years and, while this is testing us, we are also excited that such massive engagement is happening and are determined that we will be able to accommodate this level of engagement without any hiccups going forward.

We apologize for the inconvenience, frustration and extra work these outages have caused. We are working hard to eliminate bottlenecks to ensure smooth operation right now as we deal with the traffic surge.”

**Contact:** Donna Kell

Link: [talkwhiterock.ca](http://talkwhiterock.ca)

**Key Messages:**

- The City of White Rock’s Talk White Rock engagement platform has recently been experiencing delays in loading pages and surveys.
- The result has been that information has not been appearing online on time, although staff have prepared the information and timed it to go live as planned.
- The vendor, Bang the Table, promises to address the problem, which is attributed to an unprecedented level of online engagement for Bang the Table’s many customers.

### 3. Recreation and Culture offers Zoom Fitness and Recreation Classes

**Department:** Recreation and Culture

**Summary:** Recreation and Culture staff are using technology to provide physical activity classes through Zoom. The first class being offered via Zoom is *Exercise to Prevent and Manage Chronic Disease and Diabetes*. This program, conducted by a Certified Clinical Rehab Specialist, uses physical activity to manage and prevent chronic illnesses. Using Zoom, Recreation and Culture can provide this opportunity to older adults who are unable to attend an in-person class due to vulnerability or mobility issues. Other courses being offered using Zoom include *Turning Memories into Memoirs* and three workshops co-sponsored with the Seniors’ Health and Wellness Institute.

**Contact:** Sylvia Yee

**Key Messages:**

- Recreation and Culture staff are now able to reach our vulnerable clients using Zoom.
- *Exercise to Prevent and Manage Chronic Disease* started this week and successfully connected 12 seniors to a Certified Clinical Rehab Specialist.
- Recreation and Culture staff continue to explore how to provide opportunities in new ways.

### 4. Winter Recreation Session began this week

**Department:** Recreation and Culture

**Summary:** While some programs remain on hold under the current provincial health order, many other programs began this week. The Winter Recreation session is offering programs such as yoga, Pilates, music lessons, snowshoe hikes and skating lessons. Capacity is limited and all classes are following COVID-19 health and safety guidelines and protocols. Registration is open online and by phone during customer service hours.

**Contact:** Sylvia Yee

Link: [whiterockcity.ca/recreation](http://whiterockcity.ca/recreation)

**Key Messages:**

- The Recreation and Culture Winter session began Jan. 18.
- All classes are at reduced capacity and are following COVID-19 health and safety guidelines.

### 5. Zoom Workshops Offered

**Department:** Recreation and Culture

**Summary:** White Rock Recreation and Culture is hosting several Zoom workshops to offer older adults an opportunity to learn how to use Zoom to connect with their family and friends. When the first set of



classes filled up, staff worked quickly to ensure more sessions were added to meet the community demand for this popular technology tool.

**Contact:** Sylvia Yee

**Key Messages:**

- Zoom workshops offer learning opportunities to enable participants to use this technology tool to connect with community, family and other online resources.
- Staff add new classes as current classes fill up due to Zoom's popularity.

## 6. Kent Street Activity Centre Collecting Tablets

**Department:** Recreation and Culture

**Summary:** The Kent Street Activity Centre is collecting new and gently used tablets and laptop computers in good working condition. The devices will be disinfected and reformatted by volunteers from the Kent Street Computer Club and then distributed to seniors in our community through a partnership with the Seniors Come Share Society. Eight devices have been collected so far.

**Contact:** Sylvia Yee

**Key Messages:**

- The Kent Street Activity Centre is collecting new and gently used tablets, disinfecting and reformatting then to distribute to the seniors in the community.
- Eight devices have been collected so far.

## 7. Marine Drive Stabilization and Bin Wall Repair

**Department:** Engineering and Municipal Operations

**Summary:** The project for the stabilization of Marine Drive with micro piles is nearing completion. An investigation of the metal bin walls located on the slope below Marine Drive was included in the scope of this project. Once the materials overlaying the bin wall structural components were removed it became evident that these components were significantly deteriorated. The Geotechnical Engineer recommended that these bin walls be strengthened within five years.

While these bin walls are no longer integral to the stability of Marine Drive due to the micro pile installation, their failure could result in materials sliding down the slope onto the railway and Promenade below. Council awarded \$500,000 to the companies currently finalizing the Marine Drive Stabilization Project to repair the bin walls with soil anchors and shotcrete.

Installation of soil anchors for the bin wall stabilization is now complete. The next step, currently underway, is to coat the walls with shotcrete layered over reinforcing steel.

The project is on track for completion by the end of January. A brief closure will be required in the spring to complete the remaining paving works.

**Contact:** Jim Gordon

**Key Messages:**

- Installation of the of soil anchors for the bin wall stabilization is complete.
- The shotcrete subcontractor is scheduled to be complete their work this week after placing reinforcing steel to prepare for shotcrete application.
- The temporary sidewalk work is underway and paving works are scheduled to be completed in the spring when warmer temperatures arrive.
- The contractor is planning to clean up and demobilize the site late next week once the temporary sidewalk is restored.





## 8. Parking Update

**Department:** Financial Services

**Summary:** Free parking at the Waterfront will continue until the end of January. Pay parking will again be in effect at the Waterfront as of Feb. 1. The City will be communicating this update. 2021 Decals and Permits can be purchased through the City's website.



City staff continue to experience a large volume of permit and decal requests and are working hard to clear the backlog. Staff continue to mail out decals and permits to residents who have had their requests approved. Parking enforcement is taking the backlog into account.

**Contact:** Ralph Volkens

**Link:** [whiterockcity.ca/parking](http://whiterockcity.ca/parking)

**Key Messages:**

- Pay parking at the Waterfront resumes on Feb. 1. The City will communicate this update.
- The City continues to experience a large volume of permit and decal requests and is working hard to clear the backlog.
- Parking enforcement is taking the backlog into account.

## 9. Peace Arch Hospital Fire Operations

**Department:** White Rock Fire Rescue

**Summary:** White Rock Fire Rescue has a new automatic aid agreement with Surrey Fire Services (SFS) for any alarm or fire incident at Peace Arch Hospital (PAH). This agreement provides an improved response model for the hospital property at no additional cost to the City and will increase the fire suppression staffing level and apparatus upon initial response.

The additional SFS apparatus will supplement White Rock Engine 1, Engine 2 (Auxiliary staff), and a Duty Chief, which our current response model provides.

PAH services both the White Rock and South Surrey communities.

**Contact:** Ken Molland

**Key Messages:**

- A new automatic aid agreement is in place with Surrey Fire Services for fire or alarm incidents at Peace Arch Hospital.
- The new response model will increase staff and apparatus during initial response at no additional cost to the City.

## 10. Auxiliary Firefighter Recruitment

**Department:** White Rock Fire Rescue

**Summary:** White Rock Fire Rescue is actively recruiting Auxiliary Firefighters to complement its current staffing levels. Auxiliary firefighters supplement the full-time firefighters and increase the department's operational capacity by carrying a pager and responding to medical, fire, and alarms calls as well as other emergencies as needed. More information on the requirements for this position can be found on the City's website at [whiterockcity.ca/jobs](http://whiterockcity.ca/jobs).

The application process is open until 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 10, 2021. Successful applicants will begin training in May 2021.

**Contact:** Danielle Paterson

**Link:** [whiterockcity.ca/jobs](http://whiterockcity.ca/jobs)

**Key Messages:**

- White Rock Fire Rescue is currently recruiting Auxiliary Firefighters.
- Applications must be submitted by 4:30 p.m. Feb. 10, 2021.

- New auxiliary recruits will begin training in May 2021.

## 11. Update from the Fire Chief on COVID-19

**Department:** White Rock Fire Rescue

**Summary:** The Province reported 564 new cases of COVID-19 yesterday along with 15 additional deaths. The province's death toll now stands at 1,119, increasing by 81 over the week.

There are currently 4,450 active cases in the province with another 6,816 people isolating due to possible exposure.

B.C. has now recorded 62,976 total cases with approximately 89 per cent of those having recovered.




Of the new cases, 234, or 41 per cent, are in the Fraser Health region; 111, or 20 per cent, are in Vancouver Coastal; 95, or 17 per cent, are in the Interior Health; and 76 cases, or 13 per cent, are in the Northern Health region. The Province reports 309 patients in hospital with 68 of those being in intensive care. This is the lowest number of COVID-19-related hospitalizations recorded since Nov. 27.

The Province has now provided at least one dose of the COVID-19 vaccine to 104,901 people. Health officials are scheduled to provide an update on B.C.'s COVID-19 vaccine rollout at 10:30 a.m. today.

**Contact:** Ed Wolfe

**Key Messages:**

- B.C. has now recorded 62,976 cases of COVID-19 with 4,450 remaining active.
- The number of active cases has continued to trend down over the week.
- There are currently 309 COVID-19 patients in hospital with 68 being in intensive care.
- The Province has provided at least one dose of the vaccine to 104,901 people.

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Thank you and have a great weekend!  
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## 2021-01-29 Weekly Activity Update

Guillermo Ferrero <GFerrero@whiterockcity.ca>

Fri 2021-01-29 12:40 PM

To: Mayor and Council <MayorandCouncil@whiterockcity.ca>

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2021-01-29 Weekly Council Bulletin.pdf;

Hello Mayor and Council,

Please see this week's Activity Update as well as the Council Correspondence, which is attached.

Here is the list of activities for this week:

1. Funding from UBCM for Housing Needs Report
  2. New Businesses for White Rock
  3. Noise Extension Approved to Avoid Impact to Adjacent Businesses – 1545 Johnston Rd.
  4. Pay Parking: Shoulder Season Feb. 1 to March 31
  5. Marine Drive Stabilization and Bin Wall Repair
  6. LED Light Removal on Johnston Road—Thrift to North Bluff
  7. White Rock RCMP: New Telephone Numbers
  8. FREE BC Family Day Skating Sessions
  9. *Virtual* Coldest Night of the Year Walk
10. Update from the Fire Chief on COVID-19

### 1. Funding from UBCM for Housing Needs Report

**Department:** Planning and Development Services

**Summary:** The City of White Rock has been awarded \$30,000 by the Union of BC Municipalities (UBCM) to support the preparation of a Housing Needs Report as required by the Province.

The funding will be largely directed toward hiring a consultant to help carry out public engagement activities with attention given to engaging vulnerable members of the community. The work of the consultant will form part of the narrative of the Housing Needs Report, linking the “lived experience” of White Rock residents with some of the trends highlighted by the data.

See the project webpage for more information: [talkwhiterock.ca/housing](http://talkwhiterock.ca/housing).

**Contact:** Greg Newman

Link: [talkwhiterock.ca/housing](http://talkwhiterock.ca/housing)

#### Key Messages:

- The City of White Rock is grateful for the more than 650 responses to its Housing Needs Survey.
  1. Consultation activities will be scheduled for the late winter and early spring of 2021.
  2. The targeted completion of public engagement is late March 2021.
- The report will be prepared in the early summer with the final Housing Needs Report presented in the summer of 2021.

### 2. New Businesses for White Rock

**Department:** Planning and Development Services

**Summary:** Several new ‘brick-and-mortar’ businesses are set to arrive in White Rock as they finish up their business licensing process, including in the Uptown and Waterfront areas. These include:

- ALEBRIJES KITCHEN + BAR at 15077 Marine Dr. (Formerly occupied by ‘Italian Touch’)
- MARINA O'S TEA HOUSE at 14963 Marine Dr. (Formerly occupied by Prime's Thai Tea)



- THE BUND SHANGHAI CUISINE & BAR at 15057 Marine Dr. (Formerly occupied by ‘Knuckles Bar & Grill’)
- THE FIX STUDIO (cosmetic tattooing/microblading) at 1598 Nichol Rd. (One of the first commercial tenants in the mixed-use “Beachborough” building)
- A LITTLE MORE (cannabis accessories) at 1482 Johnston Rd. (Formerly occupied by ‘Seashore Music & Games’)
- LEELA THAI RESTAURANT at 1558 George St. (This restaurant was previously at 1310 Johnston Rd.)

**Contact:** Carl Isaak

**Key Messages:**

- There continues to be strong interest in doing business in White Rock, despite the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Companies are setting up shop in the community and expanding or relocating within White Rock.

### **3. Noise Extension Approved to Avoid Impact to Adjacent Businesses – 1545 Johnston Rd.**

**Department:** Planning and Development Services

**Summary:** The commercial building at 1545 Johnston Rd., formerly the Penguin Meats location, will be undergoing renovations in the coming weeks. As part of this work, they are removing interior concrete walls that originally formed vaults for the Montreal Trust Company.

In order to remove these concrete walls and limit the noise and vibration from the required jackhammering to the adjacent businesses—Family Care Pharmacy and Johnston Road Dental— the City approved a noise extension to allow this work to begin at 6 a.m. Jackhammering will occur before 9 a.m. and will stop during business hours. Work will not continue past the Noise Bylaw evening cut-off of 7 p.m.

This current approval is valid for Feb. 2 to 5 and Feb. 8 to 9, 2021, weekdays only. The concrete removal is not expected to be fully completed at the end of this period. Any requests for additional noise extensions for this work will be considered along with any feedback received during this initial period.

**Contact:** Carl Isaak

**Key Messages:**

- In order to remove concrete walls as part of interior renovations to the commercial building at 1545 Johnston Rd., while minimizing impact to adjacent businesses, the City has approved a noise extension to allow construction activities to start at 6 a.m. between Feb. 2 and 5 and Feb. 8 and 9, 2021, weekdays only. Typical construction hours under the Noise Bylaw begin at 7:30 a.m. on weekdays.
- The builder is required to provide at least 24 hours’ notice of the noise extension to adjacent property owners.
- Staff have contacted the management of the nearest residential building (Oceana PARC retirement living) to ensure they are aware of what is occurring.
- The jackhammering will occur outside of business hours, between 6 and 9 a.m., and potentially after adjacent businesses close.
- Any further requests for noise extensions for this work will be evaluated after this initial period concludes.

### **4. Pay Parking: Shoulder Season Feb. 1 to March 31**

**Department:** Financial Services

**Summary:** The City of White Rock's Waterfront lots, which were free in November, December and January to help local businesses and encourage outdoor activity, return to pay parking starting Monday, Feb. 1.

Waterfront rates during the shoulder season, from Feb. 1 to March 31, are \$2 an hour at the Waterfront and \$7.50 a day at the West Beach Parkade and the Montecito Parkade.

The City is communicating the update through the City's website, social media, LED signs at the Waterfront and the City Connects electronic newsletter. Free parking signage will be removed on Feb. 1.

**Contact:** Ralph Volkens

**Link:** [whiterockcity.ca/parking](http://whiterockcity.ca/parking)

**Key Messages:**

- The City of White Rock's Waterfront lots return to pay parking starting Monday, Feb. 1.
- Waterfront rates during the shoulder season are \$2 an hour at the Waterfront and \$7.50 a day at the West Beach Parkade and the Montecito Parkade.
  - The City is communicating the update.

## 5. Marine Drive Stabilization and Bin Wall Repair

**Department:** Engineering and Municipal Operations

**Summary:** The project for the stabilization of Marine Drive with micro piles is completed, except one week of paving work scheduled for late March. The project was initially projected to be finished well ahead of the planned completion date of Jan. 29. but the scope was extended to include anchoring and shotcrete sealing of the middle bin wall. Excavation around this bin wall as part of the micropile process showed that reinforcing was advisable. The other two bin walls do not need work at this time.

The contactor will leave a small fenced-in First Aid trailer in the Cypress parking lot until the paving works are completed in March.

Two-way traffic is returned and will remain during the March paving, although there will be temporary lane closures and delays during construction hours.

**Contact:** Jim Gordon

**Key Messages:**

- The project is completed except paving work scheduled for late March.
- A small fenced-in First Aid trailer will be left in the Cypress parking lot until paving is completed in March.
- Two-way traffic is returned and will remain during the March paving, although there will be temporary lane closures and delays during construction hours.

## 6. LED Light Removal on Johnston Road—Thrift to North Bluff

**Department:** Engineering and Municipal Operations

**Summary:** Parks staff will be removing LED lights from the trees on Johnston Road between Thrift Avenue and North Bluff Road during the week of Feb. 1 to allow the trees to grow. Sidewalks will remain open. Curb lane parking may be affected.

The tree lights will be reinstalled in November or December 2021.

**Contact:** Jim Gordon

**Key Messages:**

- Parks staff will begin removing LED lights from trees on Johnston Road between Thrift Avenue and North Bluff Road beginning the week of Feb. 1.
- The lights will be reinstalled in November and December 2021.
- Sidewalks will remain open. Curb lane parking may be affected.





## 7. White Rock RCMP: New Telephone Numbers

**Department:** RCMP Support Services

**Summary:** The White Rock RCMP is transitioning to new telephone numbers at the end of February 2021 to meet updated system requirements.

**Key Messages:**

- The new VoIP telephone numbers have been mandated.
- The transition is scheduled to occur at the end of February 2021.
- The transition will result in new phone numbers being issued to the RCMP Detachment, including a new main non-emergency number.
- New phone numbers will be assigned and published with the assistance of the Communications Department in the next coming weeks.

## 8. FREE BC Family Day Skating Sessions

**Department:** Recreation and Culture

**Summary:** Recreation and Culture will host free Family Day skating sessions at Centennial Arena on BC Family Day, Monday, Feb. 15.

The Province of British Columbia has provided the City of White Rock a grant in support of this free, community Family Day activity. COVID-19 public health and safety protocols are in place and pre-registration is required for all skaters.

The skating sessions will be held from 10 to 11 a.m.; 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.; 1 to 2 p.m. and 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. Registration begins Monday, Feb. 8.

**Contact:** Sylvia Yee

**Link:** [whiterockcity.ca/skate](http://whiterockcity.ca/skate)

**Key Messages:**

- The City is offering free skating sessions on BC Family Day, Monday, Feb. 15.
- Financial support from the Province of British Columbia is gratefully acknowledged.
- The skating sessions will be held from 10 to 11 a.m.; 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.; 1 to 2 p.m. and 2:30 to 3:30 p.m.
- Registration begins Feb. 8.

### 9. **Virtual Coldest Night of the Year Walk**

**Summary:** The Coldest Night of the Year Walk is a nationwide fundraiser that supports homeless, hurting and vulnerable Canadians. In White Rock, the event supports SOURCES Community Resource Society.

In 2020, the White Rock walk raised \$106,000 after a beautiful walk on the Waterfront Promenade and Pier. In 2021, the walk will be virtual and take place the weekend of Feb. 19 to 21. For the second year, White Rock staff and Council are fundraising as a team. The 2020 White Rock City team was the top seventh fundraiser.

Staff are invited to join the White Rock City team, which is co-captained by Jennifer Robbins and Councillor Helen Fathers, for a virtual walk this year.

**Department:** Recreation and Culture; Communications

**Contact:** Elizabeth Keurvorst; Donna Kell

**Link:** Coldest Night of The Year Event: [cnoy.org/whiterock](https://cnoy.org/whiterock)

**Key Messages:**

- The Coldest Night of the Year Walk is a virtual fundraising walk supporting SOURCES Community Resource Society.
  - The virtual walk takes place Feb. 19 to 21.
  - White Rock City employees and council have a Coldest Night of the Year team: [Join White Rock City Team](#)
  - Questions? Visit [The Wave](#) for information.

### 10. **Update from the Fire Chief on COVID-19**

**Department:** White Rock Fire Rescue

**Summary:** The Province reported 546 new cases of COVID-19 yesterday along with 12 additional deaths. The province's death toll now stands at 1,184, increasing by 65 over the week.

There are currently 4,455 active cases in the province with another 7,176 people isolating due to possible exposure. B.C. has now recorded 66,265 total cases with approximately 89 per cent of those cases recovered.

Of the new cases, 218, or 40 per cent, are in the Fraser Health region; 174, or 32 per cent, are in Vancouver Coastal region; 70 cases, or 13 per cent, are in Interior Health region; and 51 cases, or nine per cent, are in the Northern Health region.

The Province reports 291 patients in hospital with 75 patients in intensive care.

The Province has administered 127,255 doses of the COVID-19 vaccine, including 4,185 second doses.

**Contact:** Ed Wolfe

**Key Messages:**

- B.C. has now recorded 66,265 cases of COVID-19 with 4,455 active cases.
- The number of active cases has remained relatively stable over the week.



- Hospitalizations continue to trend downward. There are 291 COVID-19 patients in hospital, with 68 of those patients in intensive care.
- The Province has administered 127,255 doses of COVID-19 vaccine, including 4,185 second doses.

Have a great weekend,

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## 2021-02-05 Weekly Activity Update

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Fri 2021-02-05 1:10 PM

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**Cc:** Guillermo Ferrero <GFerrero@whiterockcity.ca>

📎 2 attachments (10 MB)

2021-02-05 Weekly Council Bulletin.pdf; 2021-02-05 City Grant Update .pdf;

Good afternoon Mayor and Council.

On behalf of Guillermo, please see this week's Activity Update as well as the Council Correspondence, which is attached. There is also an update on City Grants attached.

Enjoy the weekend ahead.

### Activities for this week:

1. Occupancy Certificate Issued for Marcon's Semiah Project
  2. Frozen Meal Delivery for Seniors
  3. Coldest Night of the Year Walk - White Rock City Team Update
4. Crane Going Up - Road Closure (N/B from 1550 Johnston Rd. to North Bluff)
  5. City Grant Update
  6. Changes to Survey Dates on Talk White Rock
  7. Alertable 'Soft Launch' Feb. 8
8. Update from the Fire Chief on COVID-19

#### 1. Occupancy Certificate Issued for Marcon's Semiah Project

**Department:** Planning and Development Services

**Summary:** The City's Building Permit Division issued the occupancy certificate for Marcon's Semiah project at 1439 George St., formerly 15241 Thrift Ave., on Feb. 2, 2021. The building permit for the foundation was issued on April 19, 2018.

The project consists of 88 units. Of these, 37 are two-bedroom units; 22 units have two bedrooms plus a den; 22 units have three bedrooms; and seven units have three bedrooms plus a den.

**Contact:** Trevor Welsh

#### Key Messages:

- Occupancy has been granted to 1439 George St., the Semiah project.
- The project has completed construction in just over 2.5 years.
- The project has created 88 new residential units in the Town Centre area.

#### 2. Frozen Meal Delivery for Seniors

**Department:** Recreation and Culture

**Summary:** The Kent Street Activity Centre Kitchen has partnered with the Seniors Come Share (SCS) Society to reach more people with nutritious, low-cost, frozen meals through frozen food delivery. Kent Street kitchen volunteers prepare the meals. Orders are placed on Fridays and SCS Society volunteers pick up the meals on Mondays for delivery.

KSAC continues to provide on-site frozen food for purchase while also identifying seniors that can be supported by the volunteer delivery program in partnership with the SCS Society. The on-site kitchen meals sold each Monday from KSAC continue to grow in popularity. More than 70 meals were sold on Monday, making it the biggest sales day so far.

**Contact:** Sylvia Yee



### Key Messages:

- The Kent Street Activity Centre Kitchen is partnering with the Seniors Come Share Society to help with frozen meal delivery to seniors.
- The Kent Street Activity Centre Kitchen continues to sell frozen meals on site on Mondays from 9 a.m. to noon.

### 3. Coldest Night of the Year Walk - White Rock City Team Update

**Department:** Recreation and Culture

**Summary:** The Coldest Night of the Year Walk is a nationwide fundraiser that supports homeless, hurting and vulnerable Canadians. This year's virtual event takes place from Feb. 19 to 21. In White Rock, the event supports SOURCES Community Resource Society.

For the second year, White Rock staff and Council are fundraising as a team. As of Feb. 4, the City has a team of 15 walkers and is No. 10 on the leaderboard. Staff are encouraged to join the White Rock City team, co-captained by Jennifer Robbins of Recreation and Culture and Councillor Helen Fathers.

**Contact:** Elizabeth Keurvorst

**Link:** [cnoy.org/whiterock](http://cnoy.org/whiterock)

### Key Messages:

- The Coldest Night of the Year Walk is a virtual fundraising walk supporting SOURCES Community Resource Society.
- The Coldest Night of the Year walk takes place from Feb. 19 to 21.
- White Rock City employees and City Council have a CNOY team. [Join White Rock City Team](#)
- Questions? Visit [The Wave](#) news item.

**White Rock Scoreboard**  
Are you thrashing the competition (for a good cause)? Find out here! Stats are updated every 15 minutes. See how you stack up on the [national scoreboard >](#)

TEAMS WALKERS

#	Team Name	Captain	Members	Raised	
1	The Virtually Virtuous	David Young	11	10,530.00	>
2	White Rock Pride Society	Ernie Klassen	21	9,030.00	>
3	Rotary Club of White Rock	Fred Wickens	7	7,225.00	>
4	HighPoint Trekkers	Shelley Williams	3	4,901.00	>
5	Chilly Knights	MEGAN KNIGHT	7	3,990.00	>
6	Chestnut House	Sarbjit Basra	9	3,321.00	>
7	Team Kerry-Lynne Findlay	Kerry-Lynne Findlay	5	2,600.00	>
8	Hot Shots for Coldest Night	Minakshi Bagal	20	2,385.00	>
9	Semiahmoo Rotary Club Striders	Jeff Harrison	6	2,280.00	>
10	White Rock City	Jen Robbins	15	2,185.00	>
11	White Rock Baptist Church	Jennifer Friesen	5	2,075.00	>
12	Heart and Sole	Robyn Frelheit	6	1,995.00	>
13	UNIT1	Marie Sabine	9	1,790.00	>

### 4. Crane Going Up - Road Closure (N/B from 1550 Johnston Rd. to North Bluff)

**Department:** Engineering and Municipal Operations

**Summary:** The development site at 1588 Johnston Rd. will be erecting a crane on Sunday, Feb. 7, 2021, 7:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. The northbound left-turn lane, through lane, right-turn lane, and parking lane will be closed during this

work.

To ensure pedestrian safety, Johnston Road's east sidewalk will be closed from North Bluff Road to 1550 Johnston Rd. (Health Express).

The developer has submitted notices to adjacent businesses and residents. The City's Engineering Inspector will be on site to ensure compliance with approved permits and traffic management plan.

**Contact:** Jim Gordon

**Key Messages:**

- On Sunday, Feb. 7, 2021, from 7:30 a.m. to 7 p.m., Johnson Road's northbound lanes will be closed between North Bluff Road and 1550 Johnston Rd. as a crane is erected.
- Johnston Road's east sidewalk will be closed from North Bluff Road to 1550 Johnston Rd. (Health Express).
- The work has an approved noise variance.
- The City's Engineering Inspector will be on site to ensure compliance.

### 5. City Grant Update *Council Only*

**Department:** CAO's Office

**Summary:** The City of White Rock applies for, and receives, grants from senior levels of government and from organizations. Targets for City grants range from repairing damage from natural disasters to improving transit, accessibility, sustainability and the local economy as well as responding to housing needs.

The City is grateful for the grants received. These grants boost the City's ability to enhance the quality of life for City residents.

The attached document provides a City Grant Update.

**Contact:** Guillermo Ferrero

**Key Messages:**

- The City of White Rock applies for, and receives, grants from senior levels of government and from organizations.
- Receiving grants boosts the City's ability to enhance infrastructure, tourism, the arts and to support local business and help enhance the quality of life for City residents.
- The City is grateful for the grants received.

### 6. Changes to Survey Dates on Talk White Rock

**Department:** Planning and Development; Communications

**Summary:** To ensure the Talk White Rock engagement platform continuously has something to offer residents, the timing of two City surveys is being updated.

The Building Heights survey has been extended until Friday, Feb. 12. The Economic Development surveys will be available beginning Feb. 12.

The City is using social media and social media advertising to inform residents that the Building Heights survey is still available. Communication for the Economic Development surveys will be launched the week of Feb. 8.

**Contact:** Carl Isaak

**Link:** [talkwhiterock.ca](http://talkwhiterock.ca)

**Key Messages:**

- To ensure the Talk White Rock engagement platform continuously has something to offer residents, the timing of two City surveys is being updated.
- The City is communicating regarding both surveys and is promoting the Talk White Rock platform.

### 7. Alertable 'Soft Launch' Feb. 8

**Department:** White Rock Fire Rescue

**Summary:** White Rock Fire Rescue has hired a Calgary-based company to provide an alert service. Alertable by PEASI allows the City to send emergency alerts and notices to residents and visitors about closures, restrictions and hazards. The tool is Canadian-made and free to the public. Alertable is the only commercial emergency alerting platform that is fully integrated with Canada's national public alert system, Alert Ready.



Alertable provides alerting options that include text, email, phone, website, mobile app, social media and home smart speaker. More than 1,000 Canadian communities are signed up to use Alertable.

The use of the platform will begin as a soft launch starting Monday, Feb. 8. On Monday, Feb. 22, the City will roll out a communication campaign encouraging residents and visitors to sign up to use Alertable to stay aware and plan ahead.

**Contact:** Norm MacLeod

**Link:** [alertable.ca](http://alertable.ca)

**Key Messages:**

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- Alertable allows the City to send emergency alerts and notices to residents and visitors about closures, restrictions and hazards.
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## 8. Update from the Fire Chief on COVID-19

**Summary:** The Province reported 465 new cases of COVID-19 yesterday along with six additional deaths. The province's death toll now stands at 1,240, increasing by 56 over the week.

There are currently 4,447 active cases in the province with another 6,943 people isolating due to possible exposure. B.C. has now recorded 69,245 total cases with just under 90 per cent of those having recovered. The Province reports the curve in B.C. is slowly moving downward.

Of the new cases, 234, or 50 per cent, are in the Fraser Health region; 98, or 21 per cent, are in the Vancouver Coastal region; 54 cases, or 12 per cent, are in Interior Health region; and 52 cases, or 11 per cent, are in the Northern Health region. The Province reports 257 patients in hospital with 76 of those in intensive care. This is the lowest number of hospitalizations reported since Nov. 22.

The Province has administered 145,567 doses of the COVID-19 vaccine, of which 8,097 were second doses.

**Contact:** Ed Wolfe

**Key Messages:**


- B.C. has now recorded 69,245 cases of COVID-19 with 4,447 cases remaining active.
- The Province reports the curve in B.C. is slowly moving downward.
- Hospitalizations continue to trend downward with 257 COVID-19 patients in hospital.
- The Province has administered 145,567 doses of the COVID-19 vaccine.

## 2021-02-12 Weekly Activity Update

Chris Magnus <CMagnus@whiterockcity.ca>

Fri 2021-02-12 12:56 PM

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2021-02-12 Weekly Council Bulletin.pdf;

Good afternoon Mayor and Council.

On behalf of Guillermo, please note below a list of this week's Activity Update as well as the Council Correspondence and Information Bulletin, which is attached. Enjoy the long weekend ahead. Bundle up!

The list of activities for this week:

1. Celebrating Lunar New Year
2. Public Health Restrictions Impact Recreation
3. Safely Sharing Love and Kindness with Seniors for Valentine's Day
4. Free Family Day Skates Popular for Feb. 15
5. Spring Break Camp Registration Begins Feb. 17
6. Coldest Night of the Year Virtual Walk: Join or Donate to White Rock City Team
7. Update on OCP Review: Building Heights outside the Town Centre Survey and Proposed Town Centre Zoning Amendment
8. Update from the Fire Chief on COVID-19

### 1. Celebrating Lunar New Year

**Department:** Communications

**Summary:** The City of White Rock is bringing greetings to our community today for the Lunar New Year, which is celebrated on Feb. 12 in 2021, ushering in the Year of the Ox. Mayor Darryl Walker has been requested to provide a message from the City to several groups that have created a virtual celebration. During the pandemic, those City messages are provided as short videos.

The Chinese Association created a virtual event that features musical performances, as well as a message from Mayor Walker on behalf of the City of White Rock. The greeting that follows is being used on the City's social media accounts today and is included in the newsletter City Connects.





**Contact:** Donna Kell

**Link:**

[12th Annual Chinese New Year Gala](#), Chinese Society White Rock South Surrey

**Key Messages:**

- White Rock is an inclusive community that celebrates all cultures.
- The City of White Rock is pleased to wish the community a Happy Lunar New Year.
- Happy Lunar New Year greetings are being shared by the City on social media, through City Connects and through local virtual events.

## 2. Public Health Restrictions Impact Recreation

**Department:** Recreation and Culture

**Summary:**

On Feb. 5, the Province of B.C. announced that current Public Health Order restrictions would be extended indefinitely. The Winter 2021 session wraps up in March. It was decided to cancel the Winter Session for the adult lessons and programs that were currently paused under the Public Health Order. All participants were contacted and will receive a refund. Unaffected programs, such as yoga, public skating and individual cardio gym sessions, will continue to be offered.

**Contact:** Sylvia Yee

**Key Messages:**

- On Feb. 5, the Public Health Order restricting high-intensity fitness activities was extended indefinitely.
- Affected programs that were expected to start when restrictions were lifted were cancelled.

## 3. Safely Sharing Love and Kindness with Seniors for Valentine's Day

**Department:** Recreation and Culture

**Summary:** To share some Valentine's Day spirit, White Rock Elementary School students have created 300 handmade Valentine's Day cards that were mailed out to seniors through the Kent Street Activity Centre this week. Also happening this week, children from Little Acorns Junior Kindergarten & Child Care stood outside the Kent Street Activity Centre and performed a song and then shared their special handmade Valentine cards on the windows for the senior kitchen volunteers inside to enjoy. Thank you to White Rock Elementary and Little Acorns for safely spreading kindness and joy to Kent Street Activity Centre members.

**Contact:** Sylvia Yee

**Key Messages:**

- Kent Street Activity Centre is connecting children and seniors for safe sharing of Valentine's Day fun and spirit.



#### 4. Free Family Day Skates Popular for Feb. 15

**Department:** Recreation and Culture

**Summary:** White Rock Recreation and Culture is offering FREE Family Day Skates, thanks to the financial support of the Province of B.C. The skates are very popular and filled up quickly. An additional skating session was offered for those who were on the wait list. More than 125 participants will enjoy a free family skate on Family Day.

**Contact:** Sylvia Yee

**Key Messages:**

- White Rock Recreation and Culture's free Family Day skate proved extremely popular and filled up at the time of registration.
- Recreation and Culture staff added an extra skate session to accommodate those who were on a wait list.

#### 5. Spring Break Camp Registration Begins Feb. 17

**Department:** Recreation and Culture

White Rock Recreation and Culture is offering a selection of camps this spring with both half-day and all-day options. The signature Land 'n Sea camp is also being offered. These popular programs will be available for both weeks of Spring Break. Registration begins Feb. 17. Safety protocols are in place.

**Contact:** Sylvia Yee

**Key Messages:**

- Spring Break Camps with sport, creative and all-day options are being offered this year.
- Registration opens Feb. 17.
- Safety protocols are in place.

#### 6. Coldest Night of the Year Virtual Walk: Join or Donate to White Rock City Team

**Department:** Recreation and Culture



**Summary:** The Coldest Night of the Year Walk is a nationwide fundraiser that supports homeless, hurting and vulnerable Canadians. In White Rock, the event supports SOURCES Community Resource Society. For the second year, White Rock staff and Council are fundraising as a team. As of Feb. 12, the White Rock City team of 17 walkers is in the top 10 on the leaderboard, raising \$3,110. City staff are encouraged to join the virtual walk team or donate to help White Rock City surpass its goal. Thank you to team co-captains Jennifer Robbins of Recreation and Culture and Councillor Helen Fathers.

**Contact:** Elizabeth Keurvorst

**Link:** Coldest Night of The Year Event: [cnoy.org/whiterock](https://cnoy.org/whiterock)

**Key Messages:**

- The Coldest Night of the Year Walk is a virtual fundraising walk supporting SOURCES Community Resource Society, taking place Feb. 19 to 21.
- White Rock City employees and Council have a CNOY team, which is in the top 10 on the leaderboard. [Join White Rock City Team](#)
- Questions? Visit [The Wave](#) news item.

## 7. Update on OCP Review: Building Heights outside the Town Centre Survey and Proposed Town Centre Zoning Amendment

**Department:** Planning and Development Services

**Summary:** The survey for the Building Heights Outside the Town Centre closes today (Feb. 12, 2021), and to date approximately 470 responses have been received. This information will be analyzed and presented to Council in a future report along with recommendations for policy changes in the Official Community Plan.

On Feb. 8, Council also considered proposed amendments to the Town Centre “CR-1” zone that would implement many of the Town Centre-related recommendations in the OCP Review.

The change to the CR-1 zone would, among other things, lower the density—the amount of building allowed on a property—for properties zoned CR-1. As not all members of Council were available for the vote, there was a decision to defer the vote on initial bylaw readings and schedule a public hearing to a future Council meeting.

If the decision is made to proceed to public hearing, the next opportunity is anticipated to be late April 2021. As directed by Council, once this public hearing is scheduled, the City will send an unaddressed mailout to all White Rock homes to inform residents of the public hearing and how to participate. This is in addition to the regularly required newspaper advertisements and other communication methods. Due to the timing of future Council meetings and public hearings, the overall current OCP Review, including both the Town Centre and outside the Town Centre aspects, is be anticipated to complete with bylaw amendment adoptions possible in May or June.

**Key Messages:**

- The City is grateful for the more than 500 responses to the City of White Rock Building Heights outside the Town Centre survey posted on [talkwhiterock.ca](https://talkwhiterock.ca)
- A future corporate report will present results to Council with recommendations.
  2. Town Centre (“CR-1 zone”) zoning amendments, including the lowering of building density, was considered on Feb. 8. A vote on the initial bylaw readings has been deferred to a future Council meeting.
  3. The next opportunity for scheduling a public hearing on the Town Centre zoning will likely be April 2021.

## 8. Update from the Fire Chief on COVID-19

**Department:** White Rock Fire Rescue

**Summary:** The Province reported 449 new cases of COVID-19 yesterday along with nine additional deaths. The province’s death toll now stands at 1,278. This is an increase of 38 over the week but

represents a 44-per-cent decrease in daily COVID-19 related deaths over the last seven days as compared to the previous reporting period.

There are currently 4,317 active cases in the province with another 6,869 people isolating due to possible exposure. B.C. has now recorded 72,305 total cases with 92 per cent of those having recovered. The Province reports relatively stable numbers, dipping slightly over the week.

Of the new cases, 242, or 54 per cent, are in the Fraser Health region; 93 cases, or 21 per cent, are in the Vancouver Coastal region; 58 cases, or 13 per cent, are in the Interior Health region; and 37 cases, or eight per cent, are in the Northern Health region. The Province reports 224 patients in hospital with 63 in intensive care. This is the lowest number of hospitalizations reported since Nov. 19.

The Province has administered 159,887 doses of COVID-19 vaccine, which includes 15,684 second doses.

The Surrey School District has information about active exposures at schools. Visit this [page](#) for information, including the [list of schools that have an active exposure](#).

**Contact:** Ed Wolfe

**Link:** [surreyschools.ca/covid19](https://surreyschools.ca/covid19)

**Key Messages:**

- B.C. has now recorded 72,305 cases of COVID-19 with 4,317 remaining active.
- The Province reports a 44-per-cent decrease in the number of COVID-19 related deaths in the last seven days compared to the previous reporting period.
- Hospitalizations continue to trend downward with 224 COVID-19 patients in hospital.
- The Province has administered 159,887 doses of the COVID-19 vaccine.

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## 2021-02-19 Weekly Activity Update

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Fri 2021-02-19 2:57 PM

To: Mayor and Council <MayorandCouncil@whiterockcity.ca>

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2021-02-12 Weekly Council Bulletin.pdf;

Hello Mayor and Council,

Happy Friday, please see this week's Activity Update as well as the Council Correspondence, which is attached.

Here is the list of activities for this week:

1. White Rock Museum and Archives' show features community
  2. Coldest Night of the Year: Still time to join or donate to White Rock City team
  3. Planning and Development **Redacted S. 22**
4. Update from the Fire Chief on COVID-19

### 1. White Rock Museum and Archives' show features community

**Department:** Recreation and Culture

**Summary:** The White Rock Museum and Archives is featuring art inspired by the White Rock community in its current show. "Regarding White Rock—art of a community" draws on works from the civic art collection that feature White Rock as their subject matter.

The show is an invitation to appreciate both the natural and built beauty of the community, while recognizing the ways in which White Rock has provided inspiration for generations of artists. The show will run from Feb. 9 to May 25 with safety protocols in place.



**Contact:** Elizabeth Keurvorst

**Link:** [www.whiterockmuseum.ca](http://www.whiterockmuseum.ca)

#### Key Messages

- White Rock Museum and Archives features community-inspired art in its current show.
- "Regarding White Rock—art of a community" runs from Feb. 9 to May 25.
- All COVID-19 protocols are in place for the safety of visitors and staff.

### 2. Coldest Night of the Year: Still time to join or donate to White Rock City team

**Department:** Recreation and Culture

**Summary:** The Coldest Night of the Year Walk is a nationwide fundraiser that supports homeless, hurting and vulnerable Canadians. In White Rock, the event supports SOURCES Community Resource Society. For the second year, White Rock staff and Council are fundraising as a team. As of Feb. 19, the White Rock City team has 18 walkers and has raised over \$3,345.

Help the City surpass its goal. Staff are encouraged to join the White Rock City team, co-captained by Recreation and Culture's Jennifer Robbins and Councillor Helen Fathers. There will be an opening ceremony tonight (Friday, Feb. 19) at 5:30 p.m. and a closing ceremony on Sunday Feb. 21 at 5:30 p.m. Tune in on Facebook or check out the CNOY website.

There's still time to register and be part of the team.



**Contact:** Elizabeth Keurvorst

**Link:** [cnoy.org/whiterock](https://cnoy.org/whiterock)

**Key Messages:**

- The Coldest Night of the Year Walk is a virtual fundraising walk supporting SOURCES Community Resource Society.
- The walk takes place anytime this weekend, from Feb. 19 to 21.
- White Rock City employees and Council have a CNOY team. There's still time to join!
- Visit [cnoy.org/whiterock](https://cnoy.org/whiterock) to join the team or donate to the Coldest Night of the Year fundraiser.

### 3. Planning and Development **Redacted S. 22**

**Department:** Planning and Development Services

**Summary:** The department is happy to share that **Redacted S. 22**

During this time, Trevor Welsh, Manager of Building and Bylaws, will take on the building inspection duties. Please be patient if you have a building or bylaw-related matter during this time. Planning and Development Services will continue to provide courteous service to departments and customers but please prepare for delays.

**Contact:** Carl Isaak

**Key Messages:**

- **Redacted S. 22**
- Trevor Welsh will be conducting building inspections and monitoring. Please be patient if you have a building and bylaw-related inquiry during this time.



#### 4. Update from the Fire Chief on COVID-19

**Department:** White Rock Fire Rescue

**Summary:** The Province reported 617 new cases of COVID-19 yesterday along with four additional deaths. The province's death toll now stands at 1,321. This is an increase of 43 over the week and represents a 13-per-cent increase in daily COVID-19-related deaths over the last seven days, as compared to the previous reporting period. The number of new cases reported over the week has been stable, dropping one per cent over the previous reporting period.

The number of active cases has remained stable throughout the week and currently stands at 4,348 with another 7,440 people isolating due to possible exposure. B.C. has now recorded 75,327 total cases with 92 per cent of those having recovered.

Of the new cases, 342, or 55 per cent, are in the Fraser Health region; 146 cases, or 24 per cent, are in the Vancouver Coastal region; 17 cases, or three per cent, are in Interior Health region; and 92 cases, or 15 per cent, are in the Northern Health region. It was the highest daily total of new cases for Fraser Health since the start of January, and the highest single-day total of new cases recorded yet in Northern Health. The province reports 224 patients in hospital with 60 of those being in intensive care.

The Province has administered 180,691 doses of the COVID-19 vaccine, which includes 29,952 second doses.

**Contact:** Ed Wolfe

**Key Messages:**

- B.C. has now recorded 75,327 cases of COVID-19 with 4,348 remaining active.
- Fraser Health has had the highest number of daily new cases reported in the region since the start of January.
- Hospitalizations remain stable with 224 COVID-19 patients currently in hospital.
- The Province has administered 180,691 doses of the COVID-19 vaccine.

Thank you,

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## 2021-02-26 Weekly Activity Update

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Fri 2021-02-26 2:36 PM

To: Mayor and Council <MayorandCouncil@whiterockcity.ca>

📎 2 attachments

2021-02-26 Weekly Council Bulletin.pdf; liberty.brochure.pdf;

Hello Mayor and Council,

Happy windy Friday!!

Please see this week's Activity Update as well as the Council Correspondence a special rose brochure, which are attached.

Here is the list of activities for this week:

1. Invasive species removal with Green Teams
  2. New roses in White Rock
3. LED signs at the City's Waterfront
  4. Preliminary Results of Housing Needs Survey
  5. New Planner hired
  6. Budget Communication
  7. Recreation and Culture classes offered by Zoom
  8. Spring Break Programs open for registration
  9. Coldest Night of the Year, White Rock City Team update
10. Update from the Fire Chief on COVID-19

### 1. Invasive species removal with Green Teams

**Department:** Engineering and Municipal Operations

**Summary:** The Engineering and Municipal Operations department has partnered with Green Teams of Canada, Ruth Johnson Park Butterfly Gardens volunteers and Semiahmoo Secondary School to remove invasive Himalayan Blackberry and English Ivy from Ruth Johnson Park. As they complete the work, students will learn about invasive species management and the importance of butterflies in our ecosystem. The team will be working, rain or shine, on March 3.

**Contact:** Jim Gordon

**Key Messages:**

- The City is partnering with Green Teams of Canada, Ruth Johnson Park Butterfly Gardens volunteers and Semiahmoo Secondary School to remove invasive Himalayan Blackberry and English Ivy from Ruth Johnson Park.
- The team will be working, rain or shine, on Wednesday, March 3, 2021.
- Green Teams will be following safe work procedures and COVID-19 protocols.

### 2. New roses in White Rock

**Department:** Engineering and Municipal Operations

**Summary:** The City's roses along Johnston Road and the civic block are in decline. Parks crews will be removing the roses starting March 1, 2021 and replacing them in the coming weeks with a new, specially cultivated rose called the *Liberty Rose*.

The *Liberty Rose* is a beautiful, hardy and unique rose hybrid that resembles a poppy. It was created by Brad Jalbert, Canada's foremost rose expert and one of the world's most respected and innovative rose



breeders.

Brad Jalbert has created more than 140 hybrid roses to date. He will be providing the City's Parks team with a session on rose maintenance.

**About the Liberty Rose:**

The Liberty Rose is an excellent landscape garden rose, with early flowering and non-stop blooming until frost. It is easy-care, drought-tolerant and very showy. Brad Jalbert states: "This rose is a tribute to all who have served, and will serve, including my late grandfather. To work with my friend and patron William McCarthy on this very special rose has been a true honour and pleasure. This rose is very, very special." (See more information in the attached document.)



**Contact:** Jim Gordon

**Key Messages:**

- The City will be installing new roses along Johnston Road and in the civic block in March to replace declining roses.
- The exciting new rose, the Liberty Rose, resembles a poppy. This beautiful, hardy and unique rose hybrid was created by Brad Jalbert, one of Canada's foremost rose experts. Brad Jalbert will provide a rose maintenance session to the City's Parks staff.

### 3. LED signs at the City's Waterfront

**Department:** Engineering and Municipal Operations and Communications

**Summary:** At the start of the global pandemic, the City of White Rock positioned three LED signs at entrances to the Waterfront on Johnston Road, on Oxford Street and on Marine Drive at Stayte Road. There are three panel rotations for each sign with three lines for each screen and up to nine characters on each line.

The City uses these signs to convey important messages, including to reflect current communication campaigns. This week's signs have the following three messages:

**Parking**

**\$7.50/day**

**@Parkade**

**#Shop**

**The**

**Rock**

**Pls pick**

**up your**

**Litter**

**Contact:** Jim Gordon

**Key Messages:**

- The City has three LED signs at entrances to the Waterfront.
- The signs are used to convey important messages.
- The signs currently encourage motorists and pedestrians to park at the West Beach Parkade, shop locally and pick up their litter.

#### 4. Preliminary Results of Housing Needs Survey

**Department:** Planning and Development Services

**Summary:** The City's Housing Needs Survey on the Talk White Rock platform received more than 400 responses, with 99 per cent of respondents identifying as White Rock residents. The majority of respondents (78 per cent) are over the age of 55.

The responses outlined in the survey will be evaluated by City of White Rock's Planning staff as part of the preparation of a Housing Needs Report. The City is pleased to announce that they have retained CitySpaces Consulting to assist in the advancement of the housing needs work, focusing primarily on efforts to engage the public. This will help staff and decision-makers to better understand the lived experiences of White Rock residents.

Additional information regarding next steps in this project will be announced through future Activity Updates and information provided on the project webpage, [talkwhiterock.ca/housing](http://talkwhiterock.ca/housing).

**Contact:** Greg Newman

**Link:** [talkwhiterock.ca](http://talkwhiterock.ca)

**Key Messages:**

0. The City received more than 400 responses to the City of White Rock Housing Needs Survey on the Talk White Rock platform.
- The majority of respondents are White Rock residents over the age of 55.
2. The City will host community engagement opportunities to help better understand the lived experiences of White Rock residents related to housing.

#### 5. New Planner hired

**Department:** Planning and Development Services

**Summary:** The Department is happy to announce that Anthony Soccia will be taking on the role of Planner, starting March 15. Redacted S. 22

**Contact:** Carl Isaak

**Key Messages:**

- The Planning and Development Services Department is excited to announce the hiring of Planner Anthony Soccia, starting March 15.
- Anthony has experience in the public and private sector.

#### 6. Budget Communication

**Department:** Financial Services, Communications


**Summary:** White Rock City Council is committed to involving the public in decision-making and making the community aware of engagement opportunities.

The City is informing residents of the opportunity for public consultation related to the 2021-2025 Consolidated Financial Plan which will be presented for public consultation and review to the Finance and Audit Committee at 5 p.m. on Monday, March 8.

The City is using media relations, advertising in the Peace Arch News, social media, the City's electronic newsletter and the City's website to make residents aware of the opportunity and to provide access to



the draft report. Ads were posted in the Feb. 25 Peace Arch News and more advertising will be posted on March 4 leading up to the March 8 public meeting.



**BUDGET  
2021**  
WHITE ROCK  
*City by the Sea*

The City of White Rock's proposed 2021-2025 Consolidated Financial Plan will be presented to the City's Finance and Audit Committee for public consultation and review:

**Monday, March 8, 2021 at 5 p.m.**  
Online: [whiterockcity.ca/agenda](http://whiterockcity.ca/agenda)

**GET INVOLVED**

**Review the Draft Plan Online**

- Visit [whiterockcity.ca/budget](http://whiterockcity.ca/budget)

**Submit Comments by Noon, March 8**

- Email Mayor and Council at [clerksoffice@whiterockcity.ca](mailto:clerksoffice@whiterockcity.ca), subject line FINANCIAL PLAN
- Send mail to White Rock City Hall, 15322 Buena Vista Ave. White Rock, B.C. V4B 1Y6.
- Drop mail at City Hall's secure drop box, left of the front door of 15322 Buena Vista Ave.

**Speak at the Meeting by Phone**

- Register to speak before 4 p.m. on March 8.  
Contact [clerksoffice@whiterockcity.ca](mailto:clerksoffice@whiterockcity.ca) or 604-541-2127.
- Call in live during the March 8 meeting. Watch [whiterockcity.ca/agenda](http://whiterockcity.ca/agenda)

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**Contact:** Donna Kell

**Link:** [whiterockcity.ca/budget](http://whiterockcity.ca/budget)

**Key Messages:**

- White Rock City Council is committed to involving the public in decision-making and making the community aware of engagement opportunities.
- The City is informing residents of the opportunity for public consultation related to the 2021-2025 Consolidated Financial Plan on March 8 using print and online communication.
- Residents can access the draft report for review at [www.whiterockcity.ca/budget](http://www.whiterockcity.ca/budget).

## 7. Recreation and Culture classes offered by Zoom

**Department:** Recreation and Culture

**Summary:** White Rock Recreation and Culture is focused on the health and wellbeing of residents. The public health order limiting some group fitness classes was extended indefinitely on Feb. 5. As a result, Recreation and Culture is expanding programming offered through online delivery.

In addition to the Chronic Disease Management program running daily, Recreation and Culture has added a Zumba class as well as a trial hybrid Guitar class. There are plans to offer more programming by Zoom at the White Rock Community Centre.

**Contact:** Sylvia Yee

**Key Messages:**

- White Rock Recreation and Culture is focused on the health and wellbeing of residents.
- With capacity and activity restrictions limited by the public health order, Recreation and Culture staff are using online delivery methods to reach more participants.

## 8. Spring Break Program open for registration

**Department:** Recreation and Culture

**Summary:** White Rock Recreation and Culture is offering a selection of Spring Break Camps with both half-day and all-day options. The department has added its signature Land 'n Sea camp. There are sport, creative and all-day camps available both weeks. Safety protocols are in place.

Contact: Sylvia Yee

**Key Messages:**

- Spring Break Camps with sport, creative and all-day options are being offered this year, including the signature Land 'n Sea Camp.
- Safety protocols are in place.

## 9. Coldest Night of the Year, White Rock City Team update

**Department:** Recreation and Culture

**Summary:** The Coldest Night of the Year Walk is a nationwide fundraiser that supports homeless, hurting and vulnerable Canadians. In White Rock, the event supports SOURCES Community Resource Society.

For the second year, White Rock staff and Council fundraised as a team. Jennifer Robbins of Recreation and Culture and Councillor Helen Father were the co-captains. As part of the 56 teams and 373 walkers from White Rock, the City team raised \$3,635, contributing to the total of \$228,478 raised for SOURCES. The funds will deliver programs and services to people who are homeless and in need. Thank you to all who participated in the walk or made a donation.

Contact: Elizabeth Keurvorst

Link: [cnoy.org/whiterock](http://cnoy.org/whiterock)

**Key Messages:**

- The Coldest Night of the Year Walk took place virtually this year.
- The event supports SOURCES Community Resource Society in White Rock/South Surrey.
- The White Rock City team raised \$3,535 and the event itself raised \$228,478.

## 10. Update from the Fire Chief on COVID-19

**Department:** White Rock Fire Rescue

**Summary:** The Province reported 395 new cases of COVID-19 yesterday along with 10 additional deaths. The province's death toll now stands at 1,348. This is an increase of 27 over the week but represents a 43-per-cent decrease in daily COVID-19-related deaths over the last seven days, compared with the previous reporting period.

B.C. has reported 116 cases of variants of concern across the province. Of the 116 cases, 95 have been the B.1.1.7 variant associated with the U.K. and 21 the B.1.3.1 variant associated with South Africa. Of the 116 variant cases detected, only nine remain active.

The number of active cases in our province now stands at 4,489 with another 7,931 people isolating due to possible exposure. B.C. has now recorded 78,673 total cases with approximately 92.5 per cent of those having recovered. The seven-day rolling average of new cases and the percentage of tests coming back positive have climbed in recent weeks.

Of the new cases, 207, or 52 per cent, are in the Fraser Health region; 86 cases, or 22 per cent, are in the Vancouver Coastal region; 24 cases, or six per cent, are in the Interior Health region; 41 cases, or



10 per cent, are in the Northern Health region; and 37 cases, or nine per cent, are in the Island Health region.

The Province reports 228 patients in hospital with 62 of those patients in intensive care.

The Province has administered 239,833 doses of the COVID-19 vaccine, which includes 68,157 second doses.

**Contact:** Ed Wolfe

**Key Messages:**

- B.C. has now recorded 78,673 cases of COVID-19 with 4,489 remaining active.
- The provincial positivity rate and seven-day rolling average number of new cases have both increased in recent weeks.
- Hospitalizations remain stable with 228 COVID-19 patients currently in hospital.
- The Province has administered 239,833 doses of the COVID-19 vaccine.

Thank you,

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## 2021-03-05 Weekly Activity Update

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Good afternoon Mayor and Council.

On behalf of Guillermo, please note below a list of this week's activities updates as well as the Council Correspondence and Information Bulletin, which is attached. Enjoy the weekend.

Here is the list of activities for this week:

1. Cypress Crossing Emergency Repair;
2. Upcoming Public Information Meetings;
3. Picnic Benches and Patios in White Rock: CKNW Interview;
4. Spring 2021 Recreation Guide Online;
5. Last Week of Winter Skating Season;
6. White Rock City Orchestra World Premiere Video Released;
7. White Rock BIA's Welcome Package for New Residents (in development); and
8. Update from the Fire Chief on COVID-19.

### 1. Cypress Crossing Emergency Repair

**Department:** Engineering and Municipal Operations

**Summary:** Recent storms have damaged the shoreline and partially undermined the Promenade south of Cypress Crossing. Emergency repairs are scheduled for the week of March 8 and are expected to be completed during the week of March 15.

The work area will have barricades but no closures are needed. There may be some delays as workers move materials and equipment.

Construction activity will take place in the Promenade with contractor staging in the Cypress parking lot. One lane of the Promenade will be affected, with workers guiding pedestrian traffic.





**Contact:** Jim Gordon

**Key Messages:**

- Recent storms have damaged the shoreline and partially undermined the Promenade south of Cypress Crossing.
- Emergency repairs are scheduled for the week of March 8 and are expected to be completed during the week of March 15.
- One lane of the Promenade will be affected, with workers guiding pedestrian traffic as needed.

## **2. Upcoming Public Information Meetings**

**Department:** Planning and Development Services

**Summary:** There are two upcoming Public Information Meetings with details as follows:

### **1. Thursday, March 25, 2021**

**5:30 to 6:30 p.m.**

**15733 Thrift Ave.**

The purpose of the meeting is to introduce a proposed Zoning Bylaw Amendment application which, if approved, would allow the property at 15733 Thrift Ave. to be subdivided. The application proposes to change the zoning of the property from the One Unit Residential (RS-1) Zone to the One Unit (12.1m Lot Width) Residential (RS-4) Zone.

Both the RS-1 Zone and the RS-4 Zone allow for a registered secondary suite. The general provisions of the Zoning Bylaw would need to be satisfied with any future development. The required parking supply for a one-unit residential use is two spaces per unit plus one space for a secondary suite.

## 2. Wednesday, March 31, 2021

5:30 to 6:30 p.m.

Unit 107 – 15181 Thrift Ave.

The purpose of the meeting is to introduce a proposed zoning amendment application which, if approved, would permit an 89-square-metre (958-square-foot) mezzanine level to be installed in the new location for 3 Dogs Brewing in Phase 2 of Miramar Village.

The amendment would exempt the mezzanine floor space, which does not impact the exterior of the building, from counting toward the building's floor area. The building's floor area is at the current maximum of the CD-16 site-specific zone that applies to Miramar Village. This additional 89 square metres would allow about 46 seats for patrons.

Meeting details, including a link to the live event, can be found on the City of White Rock's Events Calendar at [whiterockcity.ca/calendar](http://whiterockcity.ca/calendar). For more information regarding the Public Information Meetings, contact Greg Newman at [gnewman@whiterockcity.ca](mailto:gnewman@whiterockcity.ca) or 604-541-2142.

**Contact:** Greg Newman

**Link:** [whiterockcity.ca/calendar](http://whiterockcity.ca/calendar)

### Key Messages:

- Two Public Information Meetings for development applications are scheduled in March, hosted as online Microsoft Team live events.
- City staff will introduce the application and the proponent and respond to policy, regulatory and process-related questions. The applicant will provide an overview of the project and respond to comments and questions regarding their proposal.
- Meeting details are available at [whiterockcity.ca/calendar](http://whiterockcity.ca/calendar).

## 3. Picnic Benches and Patios in White Rock: CKNW Interview

**Departments:** Communications; Engineering and Municipal Operations; Planning and Development; Financial Services

**Summary:** The City of Vancouver has created a Temporary Expedited Patio Program that allows restaurants to convert on-street parking or sidewalk spaces into temporary patios during the COVID-19 pandemic.

CKNW contacted Metro Vancouver cities and towns to see if they have a similar program. Mayor Darryl Walker was interviewed by Jawn Jang of CKNW on March 3 for the Jill Bennett Show. Mayor Walker spoke about how White Rock restaurants have year-round patios and that the City has expanded outdoor eating space by partnering with the White Rock BIA to provide picnic tables at Memorial Park, East Beach and the Five Corners.

**Contact:** Donna Kell

### Links:

[City of Vancouver Temporary Expedited Patio Program](#)

[Interview with Jawn Jang and Mayor Walker, CKNW](#)

### Key Messages:

- CKNW contacted the City of White Rock to find out what the City is doing for patio season.
- Mayor Walker was interviewed by Jawn Jang for the Jill Bennett Show, with the interview airing on March 3.
- Mayor Walker shared White Rock's story that includes year-round restaurant patios and the City partnering with the White Rock BIA to add picnic tables in 2020 that are also used in 2021.

## 4. Spring 2021 Recreation Guide Online



**Department:** Recreation and Culture

**Summary:** The Spring 2021 Recreation Guide will be available for viewing online on March 10 at [whiterockcity.ca/register](http://whiterockcity.ca/register). Registration opens March 16 at 9 a.m. and is available by phone and online.

White Rock Recreation and Culture is pleased to offer a variety of programs for all ages with classes beginning the week of April 5. All classes will have limited capacity and will follow updated Provincial health and safety guidelines.

**Contact:** Sylvia Yee

**Link:** [whiterockcity.ca/register](http://whiterockcity.ca/register)

**Key Messages:**

- White Rock Recreation and Culture classes begin the week of April 5.
- Registration opens March 16 at 9 a.m. and is available by phone and online.
  - The Spring 2021 Recreation Guide will be available on March 10 at [whiterockcity.ca/register](http://whiterockcity.ca/register).
  - All classes will follow updated Provincial health and safety guidelines.

## 5. Last Week of Winter Skating Season

**Department:** Recreation and Culture

**Summary:** March 12 is the last day for public skating this season at Centennial Arena. Pre-registered drop-in public skating sessions and children's skating lessons were popular this season, with the City scheduling extra times throughout the season to meet the demand. Ice removal and preparation for dry-floor activities begin on March 13.

**Contact:** Sylvia Yee

**Key Messages:**

- March 12 is the last day for public skating season at Centennial Arena.
- The ice will be removed and dry-floor activities will begin on March 13.

## 6. White Rock City Orchestra World Premiere Video Released

**Department:** Recreation and Culture

Funded by the City of White Rock's Arts and Culture Grants in Aid program, the White Rock City Orchestra is keeping local musicians connected and performing during the pandemic. A new video of the orchestra, including views of White Rock, premiers on YouTube March 5 at 2 p.m.



**Contact:** Elizabeth Keurvorst

**Links:**

['We like it here!' presented by the White Rock City Orchestra  
wrco.ca/our-orchestra](http://wrco.ca/our-orchestra)

**Key Messages:**

- White Rock City Orchestra received a Grant in Aid to produce an online performance to meet the challenge of performing during the COVID-19 pandemic.
- The Orchestra was established nearly 50 years ago, providing classical music concerts for the community.
- Visit [wrco.ca/our-orchestra](http://wrco.ca/our-orchestra) for more information.

## 7. White Rock BIA's Welcome Package for New Residents (in development)

**Department:** Recreation and Culture

**Summary:** With so many new residents moving in Uptown this spring, the White Rock BIA, with support from the City, thought of ways to help new residents quickly feel connected to their new community. Originally envisioned as a welcome-home party at the White Rock Community Centre, that plan changed due to the pandemic.

Undeterred, the BIA created and funded the printing of a glossy magazine with support from Recreation and Culture and design work from Communications.

The magazine, ready in the next month, will feature tips about White Rock's neighbourhoods, attractions, events and history. It will include welcome coupons supplied by local merchants. A message from the Mayor, along with a photo of City Council with the names of all Council members, will introduce new residents to the City's government. There is also a greeting from Chief Harley Chappell of the Semiahmoo First Nation.



The magazine will be delivered to the new residents' doorsteps in partnership with the developers. Copies will also be made available at City Hall.

**Contact:** Elizabeth Keurvorst

**Key Messages:**

- The White Rock BIA is producing a Welcome to White Rock magazine.
- The magazine is designed to welcome new residents to White Rock's neighbourhoods, attractions, history and culture so they can feel at home.
- The publication will be ready in the next month with distribution in April to the new developments.

## 8. Update from the Fire Chief on COVID-19

**Department:** White Rock Fire Rescue

**Summary:** British Columbia health officials reported 564 new cases of [COVID-19](#) on Thursday, along with four additional deaths.

The province's death toll now stands at 1,376. This represents a four-per-cent increase in daily COVID-19-related deaths over the last seven days.

B.C. has reported 46 new cases of COVID-19 variants of concern, bringing the total so far to 246. Just 16 of those cases remain active, with four of them in hospital. Two people have died from the variants.

The number of active cases in our province now stands at 4,743. Another 8,659 people are isolating due to possible exposure. B.C. has now recorded 82,473 total cases with 92 per cent of those having recovered. The seven-day rolling average number of new cases has risen to 527, up from 501 reported last week.

Of the new cases, 279, or 49 per cent, are in the Fraser Health region; 168 cases, or 30 per cent, are in the Vancouver Coastal region; 36 cases, or six per cent, are in the Interior Health region; 46 cases, or eight per cent, are in the Northern Health region; and 35, or six per cent, are in the Island Health region.

The Province reports 248 patients in hospital with 63 of them in intensive care.

The Province announced Monday it would wait up to four months to administer vaccine second doses, allowing everyone who wants a shot to have one by the end of July. To date, B.C. has administered 298,851 doses of the COVID-19 vaccine, including 86,746 second doses.

**Contact:** Ed Wolfe

**Key Messages:**

- B.C. has now recorded 82,473 cases of COVID-19 with 4,743 remaining active.
- The seven-day rolling average number of new cases has increased five per cent over the week.
- Hospitalizations have increased by seven per cent over the last seven days with 248 COVID-19 patients currently in hospital.
- The Province has administered 298,851 doses of the COVID-19 vaccine.

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## 2021-03-12 Weekly Activity Updates

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Here is the list of activities for this week:

### **March 12, 2021**

1. PACA ad in the Peace Arch News March 11.
2. New telephone systems and numbers for White Rock RCMP March 17.
3. Updates to COVID-19 Online Health Check Screening Tool.
4. Registration for Spring Recreation and Culture session opens March 16.
5. Improvements to Filming in White Rock webpage.
6. Filming FAQ for White Rock Businesses.
7. Accessible parking improvements.
8. Update from the Fire Chief on COVID-19.

### **1. PACA ad in the Peace Arch News March 11**

**Department:** Recreation and Culture

**Summary:** The City of White Rock designs a full-page ad to appear in the Peace Arch News based on content from the Peninsula Arts + Culture Alliance (PACA) newsletter. The March 11 PAN ad also includes the City's 2021 Virtual Canada Day by the Bay.

**Contact:** Elizabeth Keurvorst

#### **Key Messages:**

- The PACA newsletter was recreated as a full-page ad for the Peace Arch News by the City's Communications team.
- The March 11 ad includes the City's 2021 Virtual Canada Day by the Bay.

# EVENTS IN WHITE ROCK

Check out these exciting activities taking place online, or in limited numbers with safe protocols in place, taking place around the community. Share your experiences using #WhiteRockBC

## HILARIOUS VIRTUAL STAGE COMEDY SHOW

March 20 | 1 p.m.  
Free Online Show  
[hilarious.com/virtualstage](https://www.hilarious.com/virtualstage)  
Come join us for an afternoon of laughter as our hilarious members perform some of their outrageous stand-up sets using comedy to lighten hearts. Watch our students and humor to help alleviate those difficult experiences from the shadows. Laughing with other people is the best form of connection. So, put a bit in your step this Spring and come along for the laughs!

## XBS SCHOOL OF DANCE

Spring Registration  
XBSBC  
On the WISS Peninsula since 1998. Offering DANCE CLASSES for all! 3000 sq. ft. dance studio offering 100 sq. ft. of safe space per student! Registration for September 2021 programs begins after March spring break! (Ages: 4-16, teen, and adult dance classes. Ballet Contemporary • Hip Hop •

## ONLINE ACTIVITIES AND VIDEOS

[whiterockcity.ca/connect](https://www.whiterockcity.ca/connect)  
While we stay physically apart, it's important that we stay in touch. To keep our community safe and healthy during the COVID-19 pandemic, the City of White Rock has a selection of online activities and resources to enjoy while staying safe at home. Enjoy online recreation videos, quizzes by the White Rock Museum and Archives and more.  
Do you have a way to connect the community online? Email the City of Culture at [culture@whiterockcity.ca](mailto:culture@whiterockcity.ca)

## COMMERCIAL AUDITIONING FOR FAMILIES

Online Workshop - \$40/ family  
March 20 | 1 - 3 p.m.  
[familyauditions.com](https://www.familyauditions.com)  
There is always a need for SAMPLES for Commercial/ During COVID-19, casting is now asking for FAMILIES to do SELF-TAPES at home for commercial auditions. Learn How to Audition with Confidence and Clarity and How to Be a Great Self Tape. Run Home with Acting Instructor Michele Partridge. Michele has been teaching acting for 25 years and her actors get bookings.

## ZOOM ZUMBA

March 16  
[reception@whiterockcity.ca](mailto:reception@whiterockcity.ca)  
004-647-6633  
Sometimes Spacious Planning Table and the City of White Rock are hosting a Zumba Gold for Beginners Zoom event on Tuesday, March 16 at 12:30 - 2:30 p.m. Enjoy Latin and international inspired music and dance steps in easy-to-follow choreography.

## STAY CONNECTED WITH YOUR CITY BY THE SEA

RECEIVE NEWS ALERTS  
INSTANTLY! Visit our website and sign up for News Alerts to receive City News directly to your phone or email.  
SIGN UP FOR OUR E-NEWSLETTER Sign up for the latest news, upcoming events, and highlights from Council Meetings. [whiterockcity.ca/newsletter](https://www.whiterockcity.ca/newsletter)  
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## ART OF A COMMUNITY & THE BEAUTY OF EVERYDAY THINGS

Now - May 25  
1490 Marine Drive  
[whiterockmuseum.ca](https://www.whiterockmuseum.ca)  
The White Rock Museum and Archives is proud to present the first exhibits of the 2021 season! Regarding White Rock: An Art of Community and the Beauty of Everyday Things featuring the collections of the White Rock Museum and Archives. COVID-19 health and safety protocols are in place and masks are mandatory.

## RECREATION AND CULTURE SPRING PROGRAMS

March 2021  
[whiterockcity.ca/register](https://www.whiterockcity.ca/register)  
The March Recreation Guide is now available online. Check out the variety of programs available to help keep you active, engaged and connected either by online programs or in-person classes with COVID-19 health and safety protocols in place.

## WHITE ROCK LIBRARY

Mon - Sat 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.  
13342 Burna Vista Ave.  
JUL 26 to 30  
The Quilt: Quilts are back at the library! Done by the incredibly talented members of the Pique Arch Quilters—they will make out every month, so be sure to stop by to check them out.

The Art Wall at the White Rock Library aims to highlight the amazing artists in our community. Catherine Brown's watercolor expresses her love of nature and an appreciation of the wonder and beauty seen here on the West Coast.

## WHITE ROCK CITY ORCHESTRA

Online video  
WRBCO  
The White Rock City Orchestra is proud to present, "Be Like a Meal", a video compilation composed with music of the orchestra and featuring photographs around the community by photographers Corey Krikorian and Christy Pao.



## 2. New Telephone Systems and Numbers for White Rock RCMP March 17

**Department:** RCMP Support Services

**Summary:** The White Rock RCMP detachment is in the final stages of transitioning to new telephone systems and telephone numbers to comply with a national directive.

### Key Messages:

- New Voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP) telephone numbers have been issued and assigned with a switch-over date scheduled for March 17, 2021.
- A communication strategy is underway, involving both the City of White Rock and RCMP E Division Headquarters using the web and social media platforms.
- The phone transition will be seamless and have no impact on the RCMP's ability to deliver professional and priority response to citizens.
- The new phone numbers are:
  - Detachment Main 778-545-4800
  - Detachment Fax 778-545-5192

## 3. Updates to COVID-19 Online Health Check Screening Tool

**Department:** Human Resources and IT

**Summary:** Human Resources and Information Technology have been working with the City's service provider to update the COVID-19 Online Health Check Screening Tool to make it more user-friendly and improve reporting capabilities.



The screening tool has been updated to differentiate between categories of people—employee, contractor, visitor or volunteer—and to streamline the questions into three yes-or-no answers. The fields related to “Department”, “Supervisor Name”, “Supervisor Email” and work “Location” now have drop-down menus to allow for easier, faster and more accurate information input.

Updates went live this week. In addition to the supervisors’ daily email notifications, they will now receive a monthly Excel summary report. This will help managers and supervisors monitor and audit employee and contractor compliance in completing the screening process each time they enter the workplace.

**Contact:** Candice Roffe and/or Chris Zota

**Key Messages:**

- Updates went live this week to the City’s COVID-19 Online Health Check Screening Tool to make the tool more user-friendly and improve reporting capabilities.
- Updates include consolidating symptom questions into one question, adding a “type” field to differentiate between categories of people, and adding drop-down menus to allow for easier, faster and more accurate information input.
- Managers and supervisors will start receiving a monthly Excel report for their direct reports indicating everyone who has completed the assessment during the past month. This will help them to monitor and audit staff and contractor compliance in completing the health screening.

#### 4. Registration for Spring Recreation and Culture Session Opens March 16

Registration for the Spring 2021 Recreation and Culture session will begin online and by telephone March 16 at 9 a.m. White Rock Recreation and Culture is pleased to offer a variety of programs for all ages with classes beginning the week of April 4.

To safely serve the community, offerings include outdoor fitness classes as well as Zoom options and in-person indoor activities. All classes will follow up-to-date Provincial health and safety guidelines.

**Contact:** Sylvia Yee

**Link:** [whiterockcity.ca/register](http://whiterockcity.ca/register)

**Key Messages:**

- Spring 2021 Recreation and Culture programming will start the week of April 4.
- Registration opens online and by telephone on March 16 at 9 a.m.
- Offerings include outdoor fitness classes, Zoom options and in-person activities—all following updated Provincial health and safety guidelines.

#### 5. Improvements to Filming in White Rock Webpage

**Department:** Recreation and Culture

**Summary:** The Filming in White Rock page has been updated to provide a more proactive, film-friendly page with a comprehensive list of resources that the industry, our residents and businesses can more easily access from one spot. The page now includes direct links to our film policy, noise bylaw, the general city bylaws page, Creative BC Code of Conduct for Film Workers, REEL Green, our new document titled "Filming FAQ for White Rock Businesses" and Creative BC's Merchant Toolkit.

Creative BC, White Rock BIA and our Film Industry contacts have all been notified of this update.

**Link:** [Filming in White Rock](#)

**Contact:** Elizabeth Keurvorst

**Key Messages:**

- City of White Rock website updated with comprehensive information for anyone interested in filming in the City.

## 6. Filming FAQ for White Rock Businesses

**Department:** Recreation and Culture

The City of White Rock has developed a list of frequently asked questions about filming in White Rock that is targeted to local businesses. “Lights, Camera Action: Filming FAQs to Support White Rock Merchants” was developed to help keep local businesses informed about the film permitting process.

The Filming FAQ also includes information on how to register a property as a potential film location and how to contact the Special Events Coordinator, who handles the film permits, with any questions or concerns. This initiative adds to the City’s proactive approach to welcoming more filming in White Rock.

Creative BC, White Rock BIA and our Film Industry contacts have been notified of this update.

**Link:** [Lights, Camera, Action: Filming FAQs to Support White Rock Merchants](#)

**Contact:** Elizabeth Keurvorst

### Key Messages:

- A new Filming in White Rock FAQ document takes a proactive approach to attract filming to White Rock.
- “Lights, Camera Action: Filming FAQs to Support White Rock Merchants” was developed to help keep local businesses informed about the film permitting process.

## 7. Accessible Parking Improvements

**Department:** Engineering and Municipal Operations

**Summary:** The City will be creating van-accessible parking stalls at City-owned facilities, including the Waterfront. The work will begin next week, weather-permitting, and will include the conversion of existing parking stalls and accessible parking stalls. Existing parking stalls and existing wide, accessible parking stalls can be modified to accommodate additional van-accessible parking stalls.

A van-accessible parking stall requires 5.5 metres by 3.4 metres in width with a 5.5 metre by 1.5-metre-wide aisle. Increasing the number of van-accessible parking stalls is beneficial for people in motorized scooters and wheelchairs.

Here is an example completed last year in front of City Hall:

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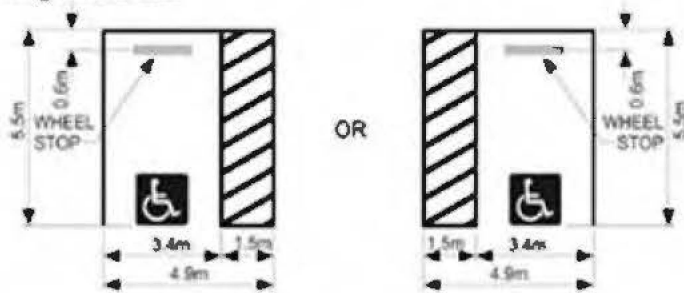




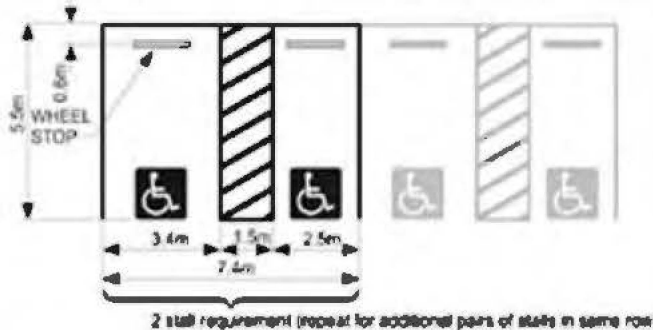
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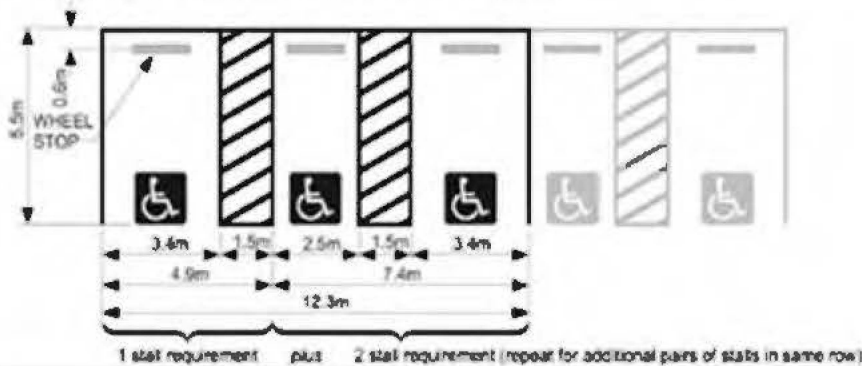
1. For one accessible stall required, such a stall shall be van accessible and have the following dimensions:



2. For two or more even number of accessible stalls required, the stalls shall be marked as:



3. For three or more odd number of accessible stalls required, a combination of requirements 1 and 2 shall be used and marked as:



**Contact:** Jim Gordon

### Key Messages:

- Improvements to the accessible parking spaces will address accessible parking requirements and meet new standards in accommodating people with mobility issues.
- The updates better accommodate the use of side-loading wheelchair vans and those using scooters.
- The work is scheduled to begin next week with the contractor completing the work within two weeks.

## 8. Update from the Fire Chief on COVID-19

**Department:** White Rock Fire Rescue

**Summary:** B.C. reported 569 new cases of [COVID-19](#) on Thursday, along with three additional deaths. The number of new cases has risen four per cent over the week.

The three deaths bring the province's COVID-19 death toll to 1,397.



B.C.'s positivity rate is currently at 6.6 per cent compared to Fraser Health at 7.6 per cent. Most new cases in Fraser Health are occurring in Surrey, which reported 863 new cases in the last week.

The seven-day provincial rolling average number of new cases has risen to 532 up from 527 reported last week.

There has been a total of 86,219 cases of COVID-19 in B.C., with 4,912 remaining active.

The number of people in hospital with the disease remained unchanged at 244. Of those, 68 are in intensive care. In total, 79,829 people have recovered from COVID-19.

To date, B.C. has administered 366,791 doses of COVID-19 vaccine, including 87,009 second doses.

**Contact:** Ed Wolfe

**Key Messages:**

- B.C. has now recorded 86,219 cases of COVID-19 with 4,912 remaining active.
- Hospitalizations have remained stable with 244 COVID-19 patients currently in hospital.
- The Province has administered 366,791 doses of COVID-19 vaccine.

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## 2021-03-19 Weekly Activity Update

Guillermo Ferrero <GFerrero@whiterockcity.ca>

Fri 2021-03-19 11:13 AM

To: Mayor and Council <MayorandCouncil@whiterockcity.ca>

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Hello Mayor and Council,

Please see this week's Activity Update as well as the Council Correspondence, which is attached.

Here is the list of activities for this week:

1. Economic Development Survey update and extension
2. Upcoming Open House regarding Housing Needs in White Rock
  3. Communicating changes to Advisory Committees to members
  4. Replacement of broken pile on north end of the Pier
5. Log removal on the Beachfront
6. Marine Drive Road Reconstruction Works
  7. Registration for the Recreation and Culture Spring session
  8. End of season for Dogs on the Promenade
9. Update from the Fire Chief on COVID-19

### 1. Economic Development Survey update and extension

**Department:** Planning and Development Services; Communications

**Summary:** The Economic Development Plan surveys for businesses and residents currently on [TalkWhiteRock.ca/business](https://talkwhiterock.ca/business) has been available for one month. To date, the City has received about 320 responses.

The information received via these surveys will be analyzed and used to support the update of the City's 2009 Economic Development Strategic Plan. The survey end date has been extended to March 31 to allow more residents and businesses time to respond.

**Contact:** Carolyn Latzen

**Key Messages:**

- The City is grateful for the more than 320 responses received to date for the Economic Development survey posted on [talkwhiterock.ca](https://talkwhiterock.ca).
- The survey close date is being extended to March 31 to allow to allow more residents and businesses time to respond.
- The City is using social media and social media advertising to inform residents and businesses that the Economic Development survey is still available.
- The City continues to promote the Talk White Rock platform.

### 2. Upcoming Open House regarding Housing Needs in White Rock

**Department:** Planning and Development Services

**Summary:** The City is hosting a digital Open House regarding Housing Needs in White Rock on Tuesday April 13 from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. The meeting will be held as a "Live Event" using Microsoft Teams. The Open House is being hosted by City Planning staff in addition to the consulting team from CitySpaces.

The Open House will include two sessions beginning with a presentation of local demographic and housing data as well as a snapshot of feedback received through the Housing Needs Survey, which received more than 400 responses. Following each presentation, there will be a question-and-comment period. The project team will then highlight opportunities for future engagement.

This event marks the launch of the public engagement phase of this Housing Needs Report project. The objective of this phase is to learn of local housing experiences that will help shape our understanding of housing needs. The work of CitySpaces will culminate in a report that links the housing data to what we've heard from the community. A link to the Open House will be posted on the City of White Rock events calendar [whiterockcity.ca/calendar](https://whiterockcity.ca/calendar) and the project webpage [talkwhiterock.ca/housing](https://talkwhiterock.ca/housing).



**Contact:** Greg Newman

**Key Messages:**

- The City is hosting a Housing Needs Open House on April 13 between 5:30 p.m. and 7 p.m.
- The meeting will be held as a “Live Event” using Microsoft Teams.
- The community is invited to join the City and CitySpaces to learn more about housing in White Rock and to help the City to learn more about local housing needs.

**3. Communicating changes to Advisory Committees to members**

**Department:** Corporate Administration

**Summary:** The City of White Rock places great value on the volunteer support provided to the City through our Advisory Committees and Task Forces. These volunteer members share experience and information that helps lead to decisions that improve the quality of life for the people and businesses of White Rock.

In January 2021, the City of White Rock hired a seasoned municipal consultant to review the City’s Advisory Committees and Task Forces with the goal of increasing efficiency and ensuring alignment with Council’s Strategic Priorities. It was important that the committee structure continue to offer strong opportunities for community engagement.

City Council approved changes to the Community Advisory Committees at the March 15, 2021 Council meeting. As a result, some committees will be merged, some will no longer be active, and others will continue to operate with mandate and workplan changes.

The new City Advisory Committee roster includes:

- [Arts and Cultural Advisory Committee](#)
- [COVID-19 Recovery Task Force](#) (Finishes mandate June 1, 2021)
- [Economic Development Advisory Committee](#)
- [Environmental Advisory Committee](#)
- [History and Heritage Advisory Committee](#)
- [Housing Advisory Committee](#)
- [Public Art Advisory Committee](#)

The [Water Community Advisory Panel](#) is completing a review of the water utility rates and has been endorsed to meet at least for three more meetings.

All Advisory Committee members have now received an information and thank you letter from Mayor Walker on behalf of City Council as well as updates regarding next steps from the Committee Clerks. Plans to recognize volunteers with a certificate are underway.

**Contact:** Tracey Arthur

**Link:** [whiterockcity.ca/committees](http://whiterockcity.ca/committees)

**Key Messages:**

- The City of White Rock places great value on the volunteer support provided to the City through our Advisory Committees and Task Forces.
  - In January 2021, the City of White Rock hired a seasoned municipal consultant to review the City’s Advisory Committees and Task Forces with the goal of increasing efficiency and ensuring alignment with Council’s Strategic Priorities.
  - City Council approved changes to the Community Advisory Committees at the March 15, 2021 Council meeting.
  - Plans to recognize the contributions of Advisory Committee members are underway.
  - Updates to the Advisory Committees are available at [whiterockcity.ca/committees](http://whiterockcity.ca/committees).

**4. Replacement of broken pile on north end of the Pier**

**Department:** Engineering and Municipal Operations

**Summary:** One of the White Rock Pier piles was sheered off and broken by logs during recent winter storms. The Pier was immediately inspected by the City’s Marine Consultant and the area near the pile was cordoned off. Repairs are scheduled, however, the Pier is safe in the interim.

The repairs will consist of a new pile affixed to the base of the broken pile with a metal collar. The collar is being fabricated now and repairs are expected within the next few weeks.

**Contact:** Jim Gordon

**Key Messages:**



- The City has hired a contractor to replace the broken pile on the north end of the Pier.
- The area near the broken pile is cordoned off and safe.
- Work is scheduled in the next few weeks.



### 5. Log removal on the Beachfront

**Department:** Engineering and Municipal Operations

**Summary:** The City has hired a contractor to remove and salvage logs deposited on the foreshore from this year's winter storms. The contractor will be working from the foreshore near the high-water mark.

The maintenance is done in the spring to clean up the massive number of logs on the beach. The removal of the logs and debris helps to clear the area around the City's many storm drain outfalls, remove fire-making material and improve beach access.

**Contact:** Jim Gordon

**Key Messages:**

- The City has hired a contractor to remove and salvage logs deposited on the foreshore from this year's winter storms.
  - The removal of the logs and debris in the spring helps to clear the area around the City's many storm drain outfalls, remove fire-making material and improve beach access.

### 6. Marine Drive Road Reconstruction Works

**Department:** Engineering and Municipal Operations

**Summary:** The City of White Rock is performing road improvement works on Marine Drive between Johnston Road and Cypress Street. This includes reconstruction of the roadway, curb and sidewalk replacement. The work is scheduled to start March 22 and be finished by April 17.

**Contact:** Jim Gordon

**Key Messages:**

- Single-lane, alternating traffic will be in place during construction.
- Two-lane traffic will be in place by the end of each working day.









## 7. Registration for the Recreation and Culture Spring session

**Department:** Recreation and Culture

**Summary:** Registration for the spring season began March 16. The City processed more than 380 registrations for spring programs to date. To safely serve the community, Recreation and Culture will be offering outdoor fitness programs as well as more Zoom classes and some hybrid Zoom/in-person indoor activities.

All classes will follow up-to-date Provincial health safety guidelines.

**Contact:** Sylvia Yee

**Link:** [www.whiterockcity.ca/register](http://www.whiterockcity.ca/register)

**Key Messages:**

- The City received more than 380 registrations for the spring programs.
- About 62 per cent of registrations were completed online and 38 per cent were done by phone on the first day.
- All classes will follow up-to-date Provincial health safety guidelines.

**Messages:**

- The City has started communicating that the Dogs on the Promenade season ends on March 31.
- Communication includes No Dogs signage at entrances to the Promenade starting April 1 as well as advertising, media relations and social media.
- Bylaw Enforcement Officers will have a presence on the Promenade to ensure awareness and compliance for the Dogs on the Promenade season ending.

## 8. End of season for Dogs on the Promenade

**Department:** Planning and Development; Communications

**Summary:** The City has started communicating that the Dogs on the Promenade season ends on March 31. Early communication includes social media reminders and the three LED signs at Marine Drive and Stayte Road, Oxford Street and Johnston Road.

Communication will include a media release, social media and Facebook/Instagram advertising, advertising in the Peace Arch News and information in City Connects. There is current information on the City's Dogs information web page at [whiterockcity.ca/dogs](http://whiterockcity.ca/dogs).

Signs indicating 'No Dogs' will be displayed prominently at entrances to the Promenade as of April 1. Bylaw Enforcement Officers will have a presence on the Promenade to ensure awareness and compliance for the Dogs on the Promenade season ending.

**Contact:** Trevor Welsh



Link: [whiterockcity.ca/dogs](http://whiterockcity.ca/dogs)

**Messages:**

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## 9. Update from the Fire Chief on COVID-19

**Department:** White Rock Fire Rescue

**Summary:** B.C. reported 622 new cases of [COVID-19](#) on Thursday, along with eight additional deaths. The eight deaths bring the province's COVID-19 death toll to 1,419 people. Of the new cases, 51 per cent were reported in the Fraser Health region compared with 30 per cent in the Vancouver Coastal region. The number of new cases in B.C. has risen four per cent over the week. Officials on Thursday also reported 136 new cases of COVID-19 variants of concern, bringing the provincial total to 1,132, of which 143 remain active.

There has been a total of 90,048 cases of COVID-19 since the pandemic began, with 4,941 cases remaining active. There are currently 9,620 people isolating due to potential exposure while over 92 per cent of B.C.'s cases have recovered.

The seven-day provincial rolling average number of new cases has risen to 557, up from 532 reported last week.

The number of people in hospital with the disease has increased 15 per cent over the week with 286 people in hospital, 85 of them in intensive care.

The Province announced it would use its next shipments of the AstraZeneca/SII vaccine to immunize front-line workers, including teachers, child-care workers and first responders outside of its current age-based system. To date, B.C. has administered 465,584 of COVID-19 vaccine with approximately 7.5 per cent of the population receiving its first dose.

**Contact:** Ed Wolfe

**Key Messages:**

- B.C. has now recorded 90,048 cases of COVID-19 with 4,941 remaining active.
  - The seven-day rolling average number of new cases currently stands at 557, increasing by 4.5 per cent over the week.
  - Hospitalizations have increased 15 per cent in the last seven days.

- The Province has administered a first vaccine dose to 7.5 per cent of the population.

Have a great weekend,

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## 2021-03-26 Weekly Activity Update

Guillermo Ferrero <GFerrero@whiterockcity.ca>

Fri 2021-03-26 11:05 AM

To: Mayor and Council <MayorandCouncil@whiterockcity.ca>

Cc: Colleen Ponzini <CPonzini@whiterockcity.ca>

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Hello Mayor and Council,

Please see this week's Activity Update as well as the Council Correspondence, which is attached. I will be away on-holidays starting today coming back to work on Tuesday April 6<sup>th</sup>. In my absence I have appointed Colleen Ponzini as Acting CAO.

Here is the list of activities for this week:

1. Mailer: CR-1 Zoning Public Meeting and Housing Study Open House
  2. Waterfront Pay Parking Update: Summer season rates
  3. White Rock Firefighters Preparing to Assist with Fraser Health Vaccine Rollout
  4. White Rock Pier: Broken Pile Repair
  5. Engineering and Municipal Operations Staffing Replacement Update
6. New Open Data Platform
  7. Tennis and Pickleball Court Restrictions
  8. Zoom Zumba Gold Event
9. Update from the Fire Chief on COVID-19

### 1. Mailer: CR-1 Zoning Public Meeting and Housing Study Open House

**Department:** Planning and Development; Communications

**Summary:** City Council directed staff to send a mailer to all White Rock homes to inform residents of the virtual Public Hearing regarding the proposed zoning amendment to the Town Centre Area Zone (CR-1). That public hearing takes place on Monday, April 19 at 6 p.m.

Planning and Development is using the second side of the flyer to invite residents to participate in the virtual Open House regarding the Housing Needs Study. That open house takes place on Tuesday, April 13 between 5:30 and 7 p.m.

The mailer is now in print and will be delivered by Canada Post next week to nearly 11,000 households. The City sent a mailer in January and received positive feedback from some residents on the use of the communication approach.

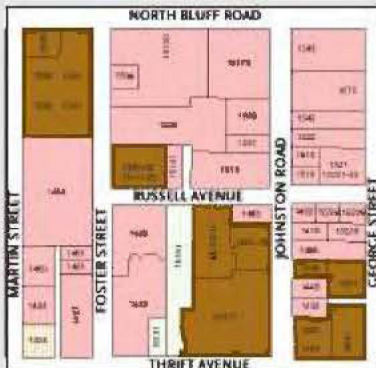
**Contact:** Greg Newman, Donna Kell

**Key Messages:**

- City Council directed staff to send a mailer to all White Rock homes to inform residents of the virtual Public Hearing on April 19 regarding the proposed zoning amendment to the Town Centre Area Zone (CR-1).
- The flyer will go to nearly 11,000 households in White Rock starting next week.
- Planning and Development is using the second side of the flyer to invite residents to participate in the virtual Housing Needs Study Open House on April 13.

# CHANGES TO ZONING IN WHITE ROCK'S TOWN CENTRE

The City of White Rock has proposed a zoning amendment to the Town Centre Area Zone (CR-1).



The Zoning Bylaw Amendment pertains to the CR-1 zoned lands illustrated in pink.

- CR-1 Town Centre Commercial/Residential Zone
- C-D Comprehensive Development Zone
- P-1 Civic/Institutional Use Zone

Changes in this zoning amendment, if approved, will include:

- Reducing maximum density
- Encouraging more affordable housing choices and employment uses
- Requiring more green spaces as part of development
- Lowering overall building heights
- Reinforcing the lower-scale, pedestrian-focused experience on Johnston Road
- Requiring adaptable, accessible-ready housing

Ways to participate in the virtual Public Hearing  
Monday, April 19, 2021 at 6 p.m.

#### SEND WRITTEN SUBMISSIONS BEFORE THE PUBLIC HEARING

- Send an email to [clerksoffice@whiterockcity.ca](mailto:clerksoffice@whiterockcity.ca), subject line: "Bylaw 2376 (CR-1 Town Centre Revisions)".
- Send mail to the Director of Corporate Administration, White Rock City Hall, 15322 Buena Vista Ave. White Rock, B.C. V4B 1Y6.
- Drop mail at City Hall's secure drop box, left of the front door of 15322 Buena Vista Ave.

Submit written comments by noon, April 19, 2021.

#### SPEAK AT THE PUBLIC HEARING BY PHONE

No need to pre-register. Just follow these instructions:

- Call 778-736-1164
- Enter the Conference ID # when prompted: 624916385#
- Stay in the virtual waiting room and watch the hearing on the City's Livestream at [whiterockcity.ca/agenda](http://whiterockcity.ca/agenda)
- When it's your turn to speak, you'll be prompted that you're entering the meeting.
- You have up to five minutes to make your comments to Council.

#### WATCH THE MEETING AT [WHITEROCKCITY.CA/AGENDA](http://WHITEROCKCITY.CA/AGENDA)

For more information on the proposed zoning amendment, visit [whiterockcity.ca/CR1](http://whiterockcity.ca/CR1) or on the meeting process call 604-541-2127

[WHITEROCKCITY.CA](http://WHITEROCKCITY.CA)

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City by the Sea

## What are your future housing needs?



COME TO A VIRTUAL OPEN HOUSE.

Hear about housing trends and what White Rock residents are saying about housing needs.

TUESDAY, APRIL 13, 2021

5:30 P.M. TO 7 P.M.

For a link to the event and information about the City's Housing Needs Report, visit

[talkwhiterock.ca/housing](http://talkwhiterock.ca/housing)

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## 2. Waterfront Pay Parking Update: Summer Season Rates

**Department:** Financial Services

**Summary:** On April 1, Summer season Pay Parking Rates will take effect. A Value rate of \$3.25/hour will apply to all stalls located West of Oxford Street. The Prime rate of \$3.75/hour will apply in stalls East of Oxford Street, including East Beach. West Beach and Montecito Parkades will offer a daily rate of \$15. Except for the two Parkades, a four-hour limit applies in the Prime areas of West Beach to support local businesses and encourage turnover. The Prime area in West Beach includes all pay parking East of Oxford Street.

**Contact:** Ralph Volkens

**Key Messages:**

- Summer Pay Parking Rates apply as of April 1.
- Raters are \$3.25/hour West of Oxford Street and \$3.75/hour East of Oxford Street



- There is a daily rate of \$15 in the West Beach and Montecito Parkades
- There is a four-hour maximum duration in the West Beach Prime area from the Pier lot to Oxford Street.

### **3. White Rock Firefighters Preparing to Assist with Fraser Health Vaccine Rollout**

**Department:** Fire Rescue

**Summary:** White Rock Fire Rescue members are preparing to support the Fraser Health vaccine rollout program by qualifying as immunizers that may be scheduled to work on their days off at South Surrey vaccination clinics.

White Rock firefighters are already trained to administer Naloxone through intramuscular injection. Firefighters participating in the vaccine rollout will have to complete an additional 6.5 hours of training to qualify as a vaccine immunizer for Fraser Health.

South Surrey vaccination site locations include the South Surrey Park and Ride lot at 13800 King George Blvd. (drive-through only) and, opening March 31, the South Surrey Recreation Centre at 14601 20 Ave.

**Contact:** Ed Wolfe

**Key Messages:**

- White Rock firefighters are training to become immunizers to assist with the Fraser Health vaccine rollout.
  - Qualified firefighters may work as immunizers as needed, on their days off at South Surrey vaccination clinics.

### **4. White Rock Pier: Broken Pile Repair**

**Department:** Engineering and Municipal Operations

**Summary:** The Engineering and Municipal Operations department has retained a contractor to repair the broken pile, cross brace and timber enclosure on Saturday, March 27 and Sunday, March 28. The work includes hand digging to install a new, wood-timber pile with a steel collar and bolted clamps. An environmental monitor will be present on site. Archaeological Chance Find Procedures will be implemented.

**Contact:** Jim Gordon

**Key Messages:**

- The City has retained a contractor to replace the broken pile, cross brace, and timber enclosure on the north end of the Pier.
  - The area near the broken pile is cordoned off and safe.
  - Work is scheduled for Saturday, March 27 and Sunday, March 28.



## 5. Engineering and Municipal Operations Staffing Replacement Update

**Department:** Engineering and Municipal Operations

**Summary:** The Engineering department deferred staffing replacements to help meet the City's COVID-19-related budget challenges in March 2020. These deferred replacements are now being staffed, starting with the Project Engineer (Utilities and Transportation) position.

Lihau He has been hired and will start April 12. Lihau brings extensive water, sewer and transportation design and project management experience from the private sector. In addition to work in the transportation and project management areas, Lihau will be tasked with updating water and sewer plans and delivering the infrastructure upgrades identified in these plans.

Interviews for the vacant Parks Manager position are underway. Recruitment will start shortly for the Project Engineer (Facilities and Parks) whose first priority will be the delivery of a Facilities Master Plan.

**Contact:** Jim Gordon

### **Key Messages:**

- Engineering deferred staffing replacements to assist with meeting COVID-19-related budget challenges
- The vacant Project Engineer position is filled by Lihau He, who will focus on water, sewer and transportation plans and projects.
- Interviews for the vacant Parks Manager position are underway and recruitment will start shortly for the Project Engineer (Facilities and Parks) whose first priority will be the delivery of a Facilities Master Plan.

## 6. New Open Data Platform

**Department:** Information Technology

**Summary:** The City's Open Data portal [data.whiterockcity.ca](http://data.whiterockcity.ca) has been upgraded to a new, cloud-based platform. The new platform is fully integrated with the City's GIS system, has modern functionality and allows for more seamless day-to-day management and upkeep.

Open data is raw data, readable by software and computers, and made available free of charge to individuals, businesses or anyone interested in research and analysis. Research software and



application developers can use programs to access this data automatically and apply it for their own purposes.

**Contact:** Chris Zota

**Key Messages:**

- The City continues to make available new data sets, apps and dashboards.
- Data is a valuable resource, not just for Council decision-making, but also for providing insight into economic and social issues, and making contributions to the livability, workability and sustainability of our community.
- Cost savings were accomplished as a result of this upgrade.
- Broadly speaking, open data can enable greater transparency and citizen participation.

## 7. Tennis and Pickleball Court Restrictions

**Department:** Recreation and Culture

**Summary:** The tennis courts at Centennial Park are now open for doubles play for participants who live in the same household. Signage has been put up on the courts to reflect these changes. New Centennial Court restrictions are based on the updated guidelines created by Pickleball BC and Tennis BC.

**Contact:** Sylvia Yee

**Key Messages:**

- Doubles play is now permitted at Centennial Park tennis courts for participants who live in the same household.
- Three metres of distance must be maintained at all times.

## 8. Zoom Zumba Gold Event

**Department:** Recreation and Culture

**Summary:** White Rock Recreation and Culture and the Semiahmoo Seniors Planning Table are hosting a FREE Zoom Zumba Gold event for seniors in the community on Wednesday, March 31 at 12:30 p.m. The first event was so popular, with over 50 seniors registered, that a second event was planned.

Participants can enjoy Latin and international-inspired music and dance steps in easy-to-follow choreography from the comfort of their own home. Zumba from a sitting position will also be included. The event was made possible by support from the New Horizons for Seniors Program.

**Contact:** Sylvia Yee

**Key Messages:**

- The City of White Rock and the Semiahmoo Seniors Planning Table are hosting a FREE Zoom Zumba Gold Event on March 31.
- This event is funded by the New Horizons for Seniors Program.
- The first Zoom Zumba Gold Event had over 50 seniors registered.

## 9. Update from the Fire Chief on COVID-19

**Summary:** B.C. announced 800 new cases of [COVID-19](#) on Thursday and reported the rolling seven-day average of new cases is up 25 per cent over the last eight days. The Province also reported five more deaths, bringing that total to 1,446.

Of the new cases, 381 were reported to be in the Fraser Health region compared to 264 in the Vancouver Coastal region.

Officials on Thursday also reported 191 new cases of COVID-19 variants of concern, bringing the provincial total to 1,772 — 215 of which remain active. Over the last week, the total number of cases of the B.1.1.7 variant, first identified in the U.K., have grown by 50 per cent and the P.1 variant, first identified in Brazil, more than tripled.

There has been a total of 94,769 cases of COVID-19 since the pandemic began, of which 5,856 remain active. There are currently just under 10,000 people isolating due to potential exposure.

The number of people in hospital increased to 306. Of those, 79 are in intensive care.

The Province announced it would be easing restrictions on visitation to long-term care and assisted-living facilities now that most residents, staff and essential visitors have been vaccinated. The Province also announced it would permit limited indoor, in-person religious gathering on select days between March 28 and April 13 to accommodate upcoming major religious holidays.

To date, B.C. has administered 523,459 doses of the COVID-19 vaccine. Of those, 82,212 people have also had the second booster shot.

**Contact:** Ed Wolfe

**Key Messages:**

- B.C. has now recorded 94,769 cases of COVID-19 with 5,856 cases remaining active.
- The seven-day rolling average number of new cases currently has increased by 25 per cent over the last eight days.
- Just over 10 per cent of B.C. residents have received the first dose of the COVID-19 vaccine.
- Visitation restrictions have eased for long-term and assisted-living facilities.

Thank you,

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## 2021-04-01 Weekly Activity Update

Colleen Ponzini <CPonzini@whiterockcity.ca>

Thu 2021-04-01 1:18 PM

To: Mayor and Council <MayorandCouncil@whiterockcity.ca>

Cc: Guillermo Ferrero <GFerrero@whiterockcity.ca>; Chris Magnus <CMagnus@whiterockcity.ca>

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CR1 - Housing Needs - Postcard - FINAL.pdf, 2021-04-01 Weekly Council Bulletin.pdf;

Hello Mayor and Council,

Please see this week's Activity Update as well as the Council Correspondence, which is attached. Have a wonderful Easter Long Weekend!

**Colleen Ponzini, CPA, CGA**

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Here is the list of activities for this week:

1. Mailer: CR-1 Zoning Public Meeting and Housing Study Open House
  2. Waterfront Pay Parking Update: Summer Season Starts April 1
  3. Unconscious Bias Training for all City Staff
4. BC Hydro Community ReGreen Grant Approved
5. New Dispatch Services for White Rock RCMP
6. Fire Safety Checklist for Multi-Residential Buildings (Strata)
7. New Public Health Order and Indoor Group Fitness
8. Outdoor Youth Community Sports Resume
9. Update from the Fire Chief on COVID-19

### 1. **UPDATE: More Detailed Mailer for CR-1 Zoning Public Meeting**

**Department:** Planning and Development; Communications

**Summary:** City Council directed staff to send a mailer to all White Rock homes to inform residents of the virtual Public Hearing regarding the proposed zoning amendment to the Town Centre Area Zone (CR-1). That public hearing takes place on Monday, April 19 at 6 p.m.

A revised, more detailed mailer is now in print and will be delivered by Canada Post after the holiday weekend to nearly 11,000 households.

Planning and Development is using the second side of the flyer to invite residents to participate in the virtual Open House regarding the Housing Needs Study. That open house takes place on Tuesday, April 13 between 5:30 and 7 p.m.

**Contact:** Carl Isaak, Donna Kell

**Key Messages:**

- City Council directed staff to send a mailer to all White Rock homes to inform residents of the virtual Public Hearing on April 19 regarding the proposed zoning amendment to the Town Centre Area Zone (CR-1).
- A revised, more detailed flyer will go to nearly 11,000 households in White Rock starting after the holiday weekend.
- Planning and Development is using the second side of the flyer to invite residents to participate in the virtual Housing Needs Study Open House on April 13.

## 2. Waterfront Pay Parking Update: Summer Season Starts April 1

**Department:** Financial Services

**Summary:** Pay parking in White Rock changes to summer season rates at all Waterfront parking locations starting April 1. The hourly rate for all spaces is \$3.75 an hour. A four-hour limit applies to parking from the White Rock Pier to Oxford Street. **Please note there is no longer a value rate for parking west of Oxford Street.**

For all-day parking, the Montecito and West Beach Parkades on Vidal Street, just north of Marine Drive, offer a daily rate of \$15. The City is reminding Waterfront visitors of the seasonal rates through the three LED signs at the Waterfront, a news item on the City's website, an update in the e-newsletter City Connects, social media posts and by updating the Parking web page at [whiterockcity.ca/parking](http://whiterockcity.ca/parking)

**Contact:** Ralph Volkens

### Key Messages:

- Pay parking in White Rock changes to summer season rates at all Waterfront parking locations starting April 1.
  - The hourly rate for all spaces is \$3.75 an hour.
  - A four-hour limit applies to parking from the White Rock Pier to Oxford Street.
  - The City is communicating the seasonal parking rate change using signage, web information and social media.

## 3. Unconscious Bias Training for all City Staff

**Department:** Human Resources

**Summary:** On March 18, 2021, the City of White Rock launched unconscious bias training in support of City Council's Anti-Racial Discrimination and Anti-Racism Policy implemented in November 2020. Management, Senior Leadership Team and City Council attended the training, which focused on teaching participants how to recognize unconscious bias to lessen its impact on our behaviours and decision-making, including in the workplace.

The course was well-received by the team and has now been launched across the organization to all employees.

**Contact:** Danielle Paterson

**Link:** [Anti-Racial Discrimination and Anti-Racism policy](#)

### Key Messages:

- In accordance with the City's Anti-Racial Discrimination and Anti-Racism Policy, training is being offered to all levels of the organization.
- Unconscious Bias Training focuses on identifying unknown bias to mitigate its impact.
- Training began with City Council, the City's Senior Leadership Team and Management. Training for all City employees will be completed by October 2021.

## 4. BC Hydro Community ReGreen Grant Approved

**Department:** Engineering and Municipal Operations

**Summary:** The Engineering and Municipal Operations department was approved for \$1,763 from BC Hydro's Community ReGreening Grant as part of the City's Tree Planting Program. This grant allows the City to buy nine trees, which will be planted in the fall of 2021.

**Contact:** Jim Gordon

### Key Messages:



- The City has been approved for BC Hydro's Community ReGreening Grant.
- The grant amount is \$1,763, which allows the City to buy nine trees.
- The trees will be planted in the fall of 2021.

## 5. New Dispatch Services for White Rock RCMP

**Department:** Human Resources; RCMP Support Services

**Summary:** In response to Surrey RCMP's transition to a municipal police force, Human Resources is in the process of seeking the interest of potential parties to provide contract services for 24-hour police dispatching, after-hours administrative services and building alarm monitoring.

Potential qualified providers have been requested to submit their proposals by April 15, 2021.

**Key Messages:**

- The City is in process of seeking the interest of potential qualified providers to provide dispatching services for the City of White Rock. This is in response to the Surrey RCMP transitioning to a municipal police force.
- Respondents are asked to provide details around their ability to deliver White Rock RCMP's requested services by mid-April.

## 6. Fire Safety Checklist for Multi-Residential Buildings (Strata)

**Department:** White Rock Fire Rescue

**Summary:** In partnership with Strata Councils within the city, White Rock Fire Rescue has implemented a new inspection program during the pandemic. On March 26, letters were sent to all Strata-managed Multi-Residential Buildings with an enclosed self-inspection checklist and a contact information form to complete and return.

The self-inspection program is intended to be a temporary solution to help reduce the spread of COVID-19 and to help maintain fire safety awareness and compliance in the community. The regular inspection program will resume when it's safe to do so, as advised by the Provincial Health Officer.

**Contact:** Norm MacLeod

**Key Messages:**

- White Rock Fire Rescue has implemented a new inspection program during the pandemic.
- On March 26, letters were sent to all Strata-managed Multi-Residential Buildings with an enclosed self-inspection checklist and a contact information form to complete and return.
- The regular inspection program will resume when it's safe to do so.

## 7. New Public Health Order and Indoor Group Fitness

**Department:** Recreation and Culture

**Summary:** Provincial Health Officer Dr. Bonnie Henry announced a restriction on indoor group fitness, including low-intensity exercise, for three weeks starting March 29. As a result, indoor low-intensity, group exercise is paused until April 19 at 11:59 p.m. This includes Yoga, Pilates, Balance classes and Osteofit.

Zoom classes will continue and reserved cardio gyms and personal training may continue indoors.

**Contact:** Sylvia Yee

**Link:** [Province-Wide Restrictions \(including low-intensity group exercise\)](#)

**Key Messages:**

- The Public Health Officer announced a strengthening of province-wide restrictions between March 29 at 11:59 p.m. and April 19 at 11:59 p.m. to help combat the spread of COVID-19.
- Indoor group fitness, which includes low-intensity, group exercise, is paused for three weeks.
- Zoom classes will continue and reserved cardio gyms and personal training may continue indoors.

## 8. Outdoor Youth Community Sports Resume

**Department:** Recreation and Culture

**Summary:** White Rock Minor Sport Organizations have started using outdoor facilities for skill development practices at Centennial Park and Peace Arch Elementary School fields.

All minor sport organizations are following strict guidelines set out by the Provincial Health Order, BC Recreation and Parks Association and ViaSport. Minor sport organizations include Semiahmoo Minor Lacrosse, White Rock South Surrey Baseball and South Surrey White Rock Softball. Practices begin April 10, 2021.

**Contact:** Eric Stepura

**Key Messages:**

- White Rock Minor Sport Organizations resume outdoor skill development practices in an outdoor setting, including Centennial Park.
- All minor sport organizations are following the guidelines by Provincial Health Order, BCRPA and ViaSport.
- Practices begin April 10, 2021.

### 9. Update from the Fire Chief on COVID-19

**Summary:** B.C. announced 1,013 new cases of [COVID-19](#) on Wednesday along with three more deaths. This is the highest ever single-day total reported. The rolling seven-day average number of new cases is now at 868. The death toll in B.C. currently stands at 1,458. Of the new cases, 458 were reported to be in the Fraser Health region compared to 385 in the Vancouver Coastal region.

There has been a total of 100,048 cases of COVID-19 since the pandemic began, of which 7,405 remain active. About 91 per cent of B.C.'s total cases have recovered.

There are 306 people in hospital due to COVID-19, 80 of whom are in intensive care. This number has increased by 25 per cent over the month.

To date, B.C. has administered at least one dose of COVID-19 vaccine to 668,729 people, about 13 per cent of B.C.'s population. Of those, 87,351 people have also had the second dose.

Officials on Wednesday announced Lower Mainland residents aged 55 to 65 years are now eligible to receive the Oxford-AstraZeneca vaccine. Vaccination registration began March 31 at community pharmacies in the Vancouver Coastal and Fraser health regions.

**Contact:** Ed Wolfe

**Key Messages:**

- B.C. reported 1,013 new COVID-19 cases yesterday. This is the highest ever single-day total.
- The number of people in hospital due to COVID-19 has increased by 25 per cent in March.
- Just over 13 per cent of B.C. residents have received the first dose of the COVID-19 vaccine.
- The AstraZeneca vaccine is now available for all Lower Mainland residents between the ages 55 to 65 at community pharmacies.



## 2021-04-09 Weekly Activity Update

Guillermo Ferrero <GFerrero@whiterockcity.ca>

Fri 2021-04-09 3:22 PM

To: Mayor and Council <MayorandCouncil@whiterockcity.ca>

📎 2 attachments (590 KB)

2021-2022 Council Strategic Priorities Update - Top Priority-2021-04-09-115654.pdf; 2021-04-09 Weekly Council Bulletin.pdf;

Hello Mayor and Council,

Please see this week's Activity Update as well as the Council Correspondence, which is attached. In addition you'll see the latest update on your top priority projects which I will start providing weekly. Here is the list of activities for this week:

1. Communicating the Passing of Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh
  2. Peace Arch Hospital Free Parking Update (Redacted S. 15)
  3. Artist's Statement Signage Installed for STANDE Public Art
  4. City of Surrey Traffic Data Collection (Roper Avenue and Stayte Road)
  5. Marine Drive Road Reconstruction Works Update
6. Update from the Fire Chief on COVID-19

### 1. Communicating the Passing of Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh

**Department:** Communications

**Summary:** With the passing of Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh, at the age of 99, the City of White Rock is offering its condolences in a number of ways, including:

- Letter to the Queen from Mayor Walker on behalf of Council
- News release
- Social media posts
- Link to the Royal Family's Book of Condolences
- Flags at half-mast
- Pier lit in Royal colour

**Contact:** Donna Kell

**Link:** [The Royal Family](#)

**Key Messages:**

- The City of White Rock is offering its condolences to the Royal Family on behalf of White Rock City Council and residents.
- Flags will be flown at half-mast and the Pier will be lit in Royal colour.

### 2. Peace Arch Hospital Free Parking Update (Redacted S. 15)

**Department:** Finance

**Summary:** In support of health care workers, patients and visitors to Peace Arch Hospital during the pandemic, the City suspended pay parking around the hospital in early 2020.

Since then, tradespeople from area developments have been found taking advantage of the free parking intended for hospital-related use. 'No Construction Parking' signage has been added to the City's Free Parking areas to emphasize the City's intent that the parking is only to be used for hospital-related purposes. City staff have communicated this expectation to the developers and site supervisors to gain co-operation from their tradespeople.

**Contact:** Ralph Volkens

## Key Messages:

- During the pandemic, the City has suspended Pay Parking and posted restrictions to allow free parking for Health Care workers, patients and visitors.
  - To emphasize this to area tradespeople 'No Construction Parking' signage has been added.
  - City staff have communicated this expectation to the area developments site supervisors.

### 3. Artist's Statement Signage Installed for STANDE Public Art

**Department:** Recreation and Culture

**Summary:** An artist's statement plaque was installed on a new signpost April 8 at the STANDE public art piece in McCracken Court at Peace Arch Hospital. The public art piece was first unveiled at a ceremony with members of the Peace Arch Hospital Auxiliary on Oct. 2, 2019. The signpost and artist's statement plaque were designed to complement the piece of public art, completing the project. The plaque describes the art from the artist's perspective.



**Contact:** Elizabeth Keurvorst

## Key Messages:

- The artist's statement signage for the STANDE public art piece was installed on April 8.
- The signage complements STANDE, unveiled on Oct. 2, 2019 at a ceremony with members of the Peace Arch Hospital Auxiliary.
- The signage is located with the public art piece in McCracken Court at Peace Arch Hospital.

### 4. City of Surrey Traffic Data Collection (Roper Avenue and Stayte Road)



**Department:** Engineering and Municipal Operations

**Summary:** The City of Surrey is scheduled to collect turning-movement and pedestrian data from the crosswalk of 13 Avenue and 160 Street (Roper Avenue and Stayte Road) in White Rock.

The crew will be using a Miovision Scout collection system to collect low-resolution video, which will then be processed through artificial intelligence to get the turning-movement count data. The Miovision Scout is typically installed by being strapped to a streetlight or traffic light. At this location, however, there are no City of Surrey streetlights available. Therefore, the City of Surrey has requested to strap the Miovision Scout onto a City of White Rock's streetlight poles.

The device will be installed for approximately 48 hours starting Wednesday, April 14, 2021 and being removed on Friday, April 16, 2021. The device has stickers on it that identify that it belongs to the City of Surrey.

**Contact:** Jim Gordon

**Key Messages:**

- A City of Surrey crew will install traffic collection devices on City of White Rock streetlights at Roper Avenue and Stayte Road.
- The devices are scheduled to be installed on Wednesday April 14, 2021 and removed on Friday April 16, 2021.



## 5. Marine Drive Road Reconstruction Works Update

**Department:** Engineering and Municipal Operations

**Summary:** The City of White Rock is performing road improvement work on Marine Drive between Johnston Road and Cypress Street. As final paving is scheduled to be complete by April 8, the crew will schedule to remove equipment on April 9 and 10.

**Contact:** Jim Gordon

**Key Messages:**

- Final paving work is scheduled to be completed by April 8, weather permitting.
- The contractor will remove its equipment by April 10, weather permitting.
- Temporary line markings, road-painting and crosswalk markings will be in place following the paving work with the final markings in place within two weeks, weather permitting.



## 6. Update from the Fire Chief on COVID-19

**Department:** White Rock Fire Rescue

**Summary:** B.C. announced 1,293 new cases of [COVID-19](#) yesterday along with two new deaths. This is the highest ever single-day total reported. The rolling seven-day average number of new cases is now at 1,048, increasing by 18 per cent over the week. The death toll in B.C. currently stands at 1,493.

Of the new cases, 50 per cent are reported to be in the Fraser Health region compared to 35 per cent in the Vancouver Coastal region.

There has been a total of 108,278 cases of COVID-19 since the pandemic began, of which 9,184 remain active and a record 15,203 people are in isolation due to possible exposure. The number of



active cases has risen by 20 per cent over the week.

There are currently 336 people in hospital due to COVID-19, 101 of whom are in intensive care. This number has increased by 14 per cent over the week.

To date, B.C. has administered at least one dose of COVID-19 vaccine to 995,000 people.

Officials on Thursday announced the Province will now cease tracking individual variants of concern and proceed on the assumption that the variants are now dominant in community transmission.

**Contact:** Ed Wolfe

**Key Messages:**

- B.C. reported 1,293 new cases of COVID-19 yesterday. This is the highest ever single-day total reported.
- The number of active cases has risen by 20 per cent over the week.
- The number of people in hospital due to COVID-19 has increased by 12 per cent over the week.
- B.C. has administered close to one million vaccine doses to date.
- The Province will no longer be tracking variants of concern and is proceeding on the assumption that the variants are now dominant in community transmission.

Thank you,

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## 2021-04-16 Weekly Activity Update

Guillermo Ferrero <GFerrero@whiterockcity.ca>

Fri 2021-04-16 11:25 AM

To: Mayor and Council <MayorandCouncil@whiterockcity.ca>

📎 2 attachments (3 MB)

2021-04-16 Weekly Council Bulletin.pdf; 2021-2022 Council Strategic Priorities Update - Top Priority-2021-04-16-111712.pdf;

Hello Mayor and Council,

Please see this week's Activity Update as well as the Council Correspondence, which is attached as well to top priority projects update.

Here is the list of activities for this week:

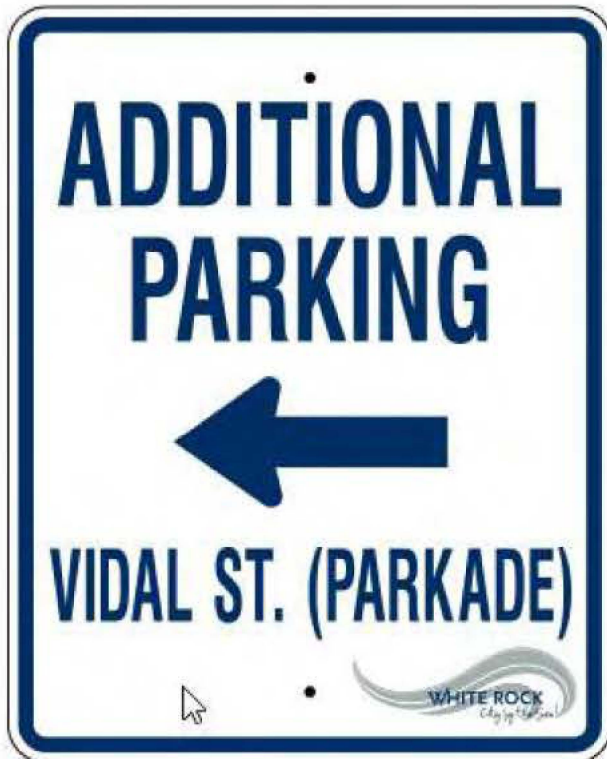
1. Parkade Signage Enhancement
2. Pedestrian Crosswalk Reinstated on Marine Drive
3. White Rock Farmers' Market Update
4. *The Meeting* Public Art by Wang Shugang purchased by BOSA for Miramar Plaza
5. Kent Street Activity Centre – Seniors' Scene Column in Peace Arch News
6. The Beat - White Rock Recreation and Culture Electronic Newsletter
7. National Volunteer Week, April 18 to 24: The Value of One, The Power of Many
8. Update from the Fire Chief on COVID-19

### 1. Parkade Signage Enhancement

**Department:** Engineering and Municipal Operations

**Summary:** The City has scheduled the removal of existing Parkade directional signs on Marine Drive and will be installing new universally recognized signs for parking: the blue "P" with directional arrows. The installation of the six new signs will follow road safety regulations that dictate the size and placement of signs. The proposed locations are shown in the sign plan attached and will be installed on Friday, April 16.





In addition, new “Additional Parking at Vidal St. (Parkade)” signs will be installed at the parking lot exits on Marine Drive, West Beach parking lots. This work is scheduled for the following week upon completion of the installation of the Parkade signs, with the blue “P” and directional arrows, on Marine Drive.

**Contact:** Jim Gordon

**Key Messages:**

- The City is removing the existing Parkade signs and installing new universal parking signs to direct motorists to the Parkade.
- The installation is scheduled for Friday, April 16.
- The installation of signs that indicate “Additional Parking at Vidal St. (Parkade)” is scheduled to be completed by Tuesday, April 20.

ADDITIONAL PARKING SIGNS AT PARKING LOT EXITS

City of White Rock  
 15322 Buena Vista Avenue, White Rock BC, Canada V4R 1V6  
 www.whiterockcity.ca

PARKADE SIGNAGE ENHANCEMENT

Larger signs on Marine Drive and Vidal Street west facing on Marine Drive and remove redundant signs to reduce sign clutter.

Larger signs at Oxford Street and Marine Drive south facing on Oxford Street.

Larger signs on Marine Drive and Vidal Street east facing on Marine Drive and remove redundant signs to reduce sign clutter.

NEW SIGNAGE

Engineering and Municipal Operations  
 P: 604 741 2181 | F: 604 741 2180  
 877 Ave 101st, White Rock BC, Canada V4R 4V6  
 City of White Rock  
 15322 Buena Vista Avenue, White Rock BC, Canada V4R 1V6

## 2. Pedestrian Crosswalks Reinstated on Marine Drive

**Department:** Engineering and Municipal Operations

**Summary:** The pedestrian crosswalks located at Marine Drive/Centre Street and Marine Drive/Dolphin Street have been scheduled to be reinstated following the paving work on Marine Drive between



Johnston Road and Cypress Street.

The pedestrian crosswalks' application will be high-quality thermoplastic with a stamped paver look that will last much longer than traditional paint—similar to ones previously installed on Marine Drive. This work is scheduled to start on Friday, April 16 and to be completed by April 17.

A flag person will be present for single-lane, alternating traffic control on Marine Drive.

**Contact:** Jim Gordon

**Key Messages:**

- The pedestrian crosswalks will be reinstated on Marine Drive/Centre Street and Marine Drive/Dolphin Street.
- This work is scheduled to start Friday, April 16 and completed by April 17, weather permitting.
- A flag person will provide single-lane, alternating traffic control.



### 3. White Rock Farmers' Market Update

**Department:** Recreation and Culture

**Summary:** The White Rock Farmers' Market is preparing to open at Miramar Village Plaza for the 2021 season from May 2 to Oct. 24. The hours will be from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The organizers of the 2021 market have met nearly all of the conditions required by the City to open to the public. City staff are working with the organizers to finalize right-of-way permits, insurance requirements, a COVID-19 safety plan and other operational and logistical tasks.

The organizers have received the approval of Council and the three Miramar Strata Councils to host this year's market in Miramar Village Plaza.

The White Rock Farmers' Market provides a source of fresh, local food products for residents. It also provides economic spin-offs to Town Centre businesses and income for many local food and beverage vendors and artisans.

**Contact:** Eric Stepura

**Link:** [whiterockfarmersmarket.ca/](http://whiterockfarmersmarket.ca/)

**Key Messages:**

- The White Rock Farmers' Market is preparing to open for the 2021 season from May 2 to Oct. 24 in Miramar Village Plaza.
  - This year's White Rock Farmers' Market has received approval from Council, and the support of the three Miramar Strata Councils.
  - Staff are working with market organizers to finalize permits, insurance and other event-related details.

#### 4. *The Meeting* Public Art by Wang Shugang purchased by BOSA for Miramar Plaza



**Department:** Recreation and Culture

**Summary:** New artwork was installed late last week at the BOSA Miramar Towers Plaza at the Johnston Road entrance. Staff learned that BOSA recently secured Wang Shugang's *The Meeting*, an internationally renowned artwork, for permanent display in White Rock at the Miramar Village Plaza. BOSA paid for, and chose, the artwork without City involvement. Since it was not a site-specific designed project, a call for artists and selection panel involving the City or Council's Public Art Advisory Committee were not used. BOSA will maintain the artwork.

The Spirit Bear that BOSA purchased is being repaired and will also be installed and maintained by BOSA in the Plaza.

BOSA will be releasing a public statement shortly regarding *The Meeting*.

**Contact:** Elizabeth Keurvorst

**Key Messages:**



- *The Meeting* Public Art Installation by Wang Shugang was installed by BOSA in Miramar Village Plaza on April 9, 2021.
  - The artwork and artist are internationally renowned (more information below).
  - Public art is an important part of creating interesting and engaging public spaces. *The Meeting* adds to the cultural corridor imagined for Johnston Road by our local arts community.
  - This is a private purchase on private property and will be maintained by BOSA.
  - ***The Meeting*** is installed at the east entrance to the Miramar Plaza off Johnston Road.

***The Meeting***: Created for the 2007 G8 Summit in Germany, *The Meeting* made its North American debut at the 2009 - 2011 Vancouver Biennale exhibition in Coal Harbour where it attracted an endless number of visitors eager to playfully engage with the artwork. In 2017, it was loaned by the Biennale to the Montreal Museum of Fine Arts for an exhibition celebrating the 375th anniversary of Montreal, the 50th anniversary of Expo 67 and the 150th anniversary of Canada. *The Meeting* has also been on display in Edmonton and North Vancouver. Created by Chinese artist Wang Shugang, *The Meeting* is a constellation of eight crouching Buddhist monks painted a vivid red. Open to various interpretations, one wonders if they are deep in diplomatic negotiations, quietly meditating or simply enjoying a conversation amongst friends. Though born in Beijing, China in 1960, Wang Shugang lived for ten years in Germany's Ruhr region. He returned to live in Beijing, China in 2000, at 40 years old. Wang Shugang is one of the leading contemporary artists in the post-revolutionary breakout period of the mid 1990s, referred to as Cynical Realism. He, together with his contemporaries Yue Minjun and Ai Weiwei, playfully and astutely mocks the history and political events of the Cultural Revolution and Maoist China. Since 1991, Wang Shugang's works are regularly seen in solo exhibitions in Germany and China. Wang Shugang's figurative sculptures have been influenced by both the Western art tradition and contemporary twentieth-century realism while also expressing Buddhist iconography combined with Chinese everyday culture. The artist generally uses only a few colors on his sculpture, painting them solid red, white, black or bronze. These colors have become a kind of language or a trademark of the artist. Typical of the work of Wang Shugang are the red "sweeping monks" and the "squatting" figures.

(<https://www.vancouverbiennale.com/artists/wang-shugang/>)

## 5. Kent Street Activity Centre – Seniors' Scene Column in Peace Arch News

**Department:** Recreation and Culture

**Summary:** Seniors in the community can access valuable and timely information on Kent Street Centre activities and other White Rock Recreation and Culture programs and services from this weekly featured column in the Peace Arch news. The well-read, popular column keeps older adults connected to their community with weekly updates on recreation programs, activities and special events they can participate in.

**Contact:** Sylvia Yee

**Link:** [Seniors Scene Peace Arch News](#)

**Key Messages:**

- Seniors' Scene is a weekly feature in the Peace Arch News.
  - The column promotes the Kent Street Activity Centre and White Rock Recreation and Culture programs, services and activities for seniors in the community.
  - The column keeps seniors connected and engaged in community activities.

## 6. The Beat - White Rock Recreation and Culture Electronic Newsletter

**Department:** Recreation and Culture

**Summary:** The community can discover the latest news on White Rock Recreation and Culture facilities, programs and activities in a bi-monthly electronic newsletter called the BEAT. Subscribe to the Recreation and Culture BEAT at [whiterockcity.ca/newsletter](http://whiterockcity.ca/newsletter)

**Contact:** Sylvia Yee

**Link:** [whiterockcity.ca/newsletter](http://whiterockcity.ca/newsletter)

**Key Messages:**

- The BEAT is a bi-monthly electronic newsletter produced by White Rock Recreation and Culture.
  - The newsletter provides up-to-date information on programs, activities, events and facilities



- To receive the BEAT, subscribe at [whiterockcity.ca/newsletter](http://whiterockcity.ca/newsletter).

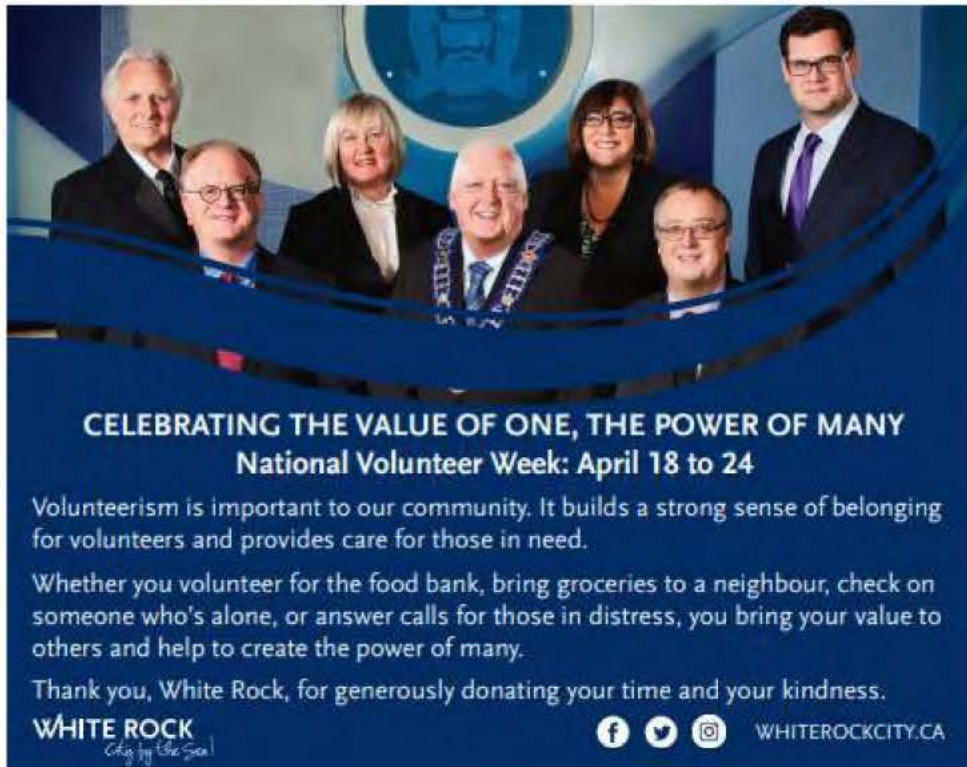
## 7. National Volunteer Week, April 18 to 24: The Value of One, The Power of Many

**Department:** Communications

**Summary:** The City of White Rock joins all Canadians in recognizing The Value of One, The Power of Many during National Volunteer Week from April 18 to 24 in 2021.

The City is placing an ad in the Peace Arch News on April 22, featuring that ad in the April 16 City Connect e-news, posting information in the City News section of the City's website and posting on social media.

The City thanks all volunteers for generously donating their time and kindness.



**Link:** [volunteer.ca](http://volunteer.ca)

**Contact:** Donna Kell

### Key Messages:

- The City of White Rock joins all Canadians in recognizing The Value of One, The Power of Many during National Volunteer Week from April 18 to 24.
- The City is placing an ad in the Peace Arch News and in City Connects e-news, posting information on the City's website and posting on social media.
- The City thanks all volunteers for generously donating their time and kindness.

## 8. Update from the Fire Chief on COVID-19

**Department:** White Rock Fire Rescue

**Summary:** B.C. announced 1,205 new cases of [COVID-19](#) yesterday along with three new deaths. This is the fourth time in eight days the Province has reported more than 1,200 cases in a single day. The death toll in B.C. currently stands at 1,524.

Of the new cases, 60 per cent are reported to be in the Fraser Health region compared with 25 per cent in the Vancouver Coastal region.



There has been a total of 116,075 cases of COVID-19 since the pandemic began. Of those cases, 10,052 remain active and a record 16,217 people are in isolation due to possible exposure. The number of active cases has risen by 10 per cent over the week.

There are currently 409 people in hospital due to COVID-19, climbing over 400 for the first time in the pandemic. A record 125 of those patients are in intensive care.

To date, B.C. has administered at least one dose of the COVID-19 vaccine to 1,235,863 people, which is about 22 per cent of the population.

Officials on Thursday delivered new modelling showing the virus on track to hit 3,000 cases per day, if the trends do not change. Provincial Health Officer Dr. Bonnie Henry stated "the rate of infectious contacts where the virus can be transmitted to others, is somewhere around 55 to 60 percent. We need to be down to 40 per cent or less."

**Contact:** Ed Wolfe

**Key Messages:**

- B.C. reported 1,205 new COVID-19 cases yesterday. This is the fourth time in eight days the Province has reported over 1,200 cases in a single day.
- The number of active cases has risen by 10 per cent over the week.
- The number of people in hospital due to COVID-19 has risen above 400 for the first time in the pandemic
- B.C. has administered close to 1.25 million vaccine doses to date.
- New modelling shows the potential for a significant increase in cases if we don't change the trend.

Have a great sunny weekend!

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## 2021-04-23 Weekly Activity Update

Guillermo Ferrero <GFerrero@whiterockcity.ca>

Fri 2021-04-23 2:12 PM

To: Mayor and Council <MayorandCouncil@whiterockcity.ca>

📎 2 attachments (4 MB)

2021-2022 Council Strategic Priorities Update - Top Priority-Activity Update.pdf; 2021-04-23 Weekly Council Bulletin.pdf;

Hello Mayor and Council,

Please see this week's Activity Update, Council Correspondence, as well as Top Priority Projects Update.

1. White Rock Kids asked to Choose Emerson Park Playground Equipment
2. Water Bill Brochure Delivered to Households April 26 and 27
3. New Online Business Licence Search Tool
4. Residential Toolkit from Creative BC now available on our filming webpage
5. Spring Training Week for White Rock Firefighters
6. Update from the Fire Chief on COVID-19

### 1. White Rock Kids asked to Choose Emerson Park Playground Equipment

**Department:** Engineering and Municipal Operations, Communications

**Summary:** The City of White Rock is asking the city's youngest residents to choose new playground equipment for Emerson Park, a small neighbourhood park in southeast White Rock.

Located at Columbia Avenue at Lee Street, the park serves nearby residents who want to enjoy some greenspace, family time or play time. The playground equipment needs some freshening so a new generation of young people can enjoy it.

Residents of all ages are invited to give their feedback at [talkwhiterock.ca/emersonpark](http://talkwhiterock.ca/emersonpark), but the City especially wants to hear from kids.

The survey is open from Friday, April 23 to Friday, May 21, 2021 and includes photo choices that survey writers can click to choose.

The playground equipment replacement is planned for 2021 and was approved as part of the City's capital budget for 2020.

**Contact:** Jim Gordon

**Links:**

[talkwhiterock.ca/emersonpark](http://talkwhiterock.ca/emersonpark) (live April 23)

[May 2019 Delegation about Playground Equipment](#) (Just before 46:00)

#### Key Messages:

- The City of White Rock is asking the city's youngest residents to choose new playground equipment for Emerson Park.
- Residents of all ages are invited to give their feedback at [talkwhiterock.ca/emersonpark](http://talkwhiterock.ca/emersonpark), but the City especially wants to hear from kids.
- The survey is open from Friday, April 23 to Friday, May 21, 2021 and includes photo choices that survey writers can click to choose.
- The playground equipment replacement is planned for 2021 and was approved as part of the City's capital budget for 2020.



**Hey Kids!**  
New playground stuff is coming soon.

Tell us what you want.  
Get a parent to help.

Answer questions at  
[talkwhiterock.ca/emersonpark](http://talkwhiterock.ca/emersonpark)

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*City by the Sea*

## 2. Water Bill Brochure Delivered to Households April 26 and 27

**Department:** Financial Services, Communications

**Summary:** The City of White Rock creates a brochure that is delivered to 4,500 households with the water bill. This issue includes information about water restrictions, water quality, online billing and payments and the payment extension to help residents during the pandemic. The brochure also includes information about how to access City services affected by COVID-19.

**Contact:** Colleen Ponzini

**Key Messages:**

- The City of White Rock creates a brochure that is delivered to 4,500 households with the water bill.
- This issue includes information about water restrictions, water quality, online billing and payments and the payment extension to help residents during the pandemic.
- The brochure includes information about how to access City services affected by COVID-19.

**WHITE ROCK CITY CONNECTS**  
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**WATER RESTRICTIONS AND CONSERVATION**

Outdoor water restrictions are automatically implemented each year to support and promote sustainable water practices, outdoor watering restrictions will be in effect from May 1 to October 31.

**STAGE 1 RESTRICTIONS | MAY 1**

Residential lawn sprinkling is permitted

- Even-numbered addresses can use sprinklers between 4 a.m. to 9 a.m. Monday, Wednesday, Saturday
- Odd-numbered addresses can use sprinklers between 4 a.m. to 9 a.m. on Tuesday, Thursday, and Sunday

*Note: multi-family dwellings are considered even or odd according to the building number, not the unit number.*

Non-residential lawn sprinkling is permitted

- Even-numbered addresses can use sprinklers between 1 a.m. to 6 a.m. on Monday and Wednesday, and 4 a.m. to 9 a.m. on Friday
- Odd-numbered addresses can use sprinklers between 1 a.m. to 6 a.m. on Tuesday and Thursday, and 4 a.m. to 9 a.m. on Friday

*These restrictions apply only to lawns, hand-watering of gardens, shrubs, trees, and flower beds is permitted. When washing a boat or vehicle, water hoses must be equipped with an automatic shut-off device.*

**ONLINE PAYMENT AND BILLING SERVICES**

WhiteRock is an online service that provides property owners and businesses access to information any time about their City of White Rock business license, dog license, property tax, or water utility accounts.

From WhiteRock you can:

- View your account balance and account details
- Review detailed transaction records, including payment information for income tax purposes
- View PDF copies of bills and reminder notices for property tax, water utility and business license accounts
- Update your profile's email address and bill delivery method for property tax, water utility, and dog and business license accounts.

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**PAYMENT EXTENSION**



### WATER QUALITY RESULTS DASHBOARD

Review the City's water quality before and after the Water Treatment Plant process. Results are published and updated weekly. Visit [whiterockcity.ca/waterquality](http://whiterockcity.ca/waterquality)



### DUE TO COVID-19

The City of White Rock's quarterly water utility payments will be extended by 30 days. White Rock City Council has authorized a 30-day grace period for the quarterly water utility bill payments and the extended due date can be found on your water utility bill.

This change is in place until the Provincial Health Officer of B.C. lifts the public health emergency declared under the Public Health Act.

Question about your water utility billing? Contact the Finance Department by phone at 804-541-2283 or email [finance@whiterockcity.ca](mailto:finance@whiterockcity.ca)





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## CITY SERVICES AFFECTED BY COVID-19

The City of White Rock continues to make health and safety top priorities for our residents, businesses, visitors, as well as our employees. We want to reassure the community that we are here, providing services while addressing all safety protocol.

We are limited in how many people can be in our public buildings at one time, so appointments at City Hall and pre-registration for recreation and culture programs become very important at this time. We continue to monitor and respond to Provincial Health recommendations, and we hope to be back to normal operations as soon as we are able. Staff continue to provide City services as listed below with many services also available online.

 PLANNING APPLICATIONS	 SOLID WASTE COLLECTION CONTAINERS	 BUILDING AND TRADE PERMITS	 BLOW TICKETS	 PROPERTY TAXES
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For information regarding development applications please visit <a href="mailto:whiterockcity.ca/planningapplications">whiterockcity.ca/planningapplications</a>.</li> <li>For general requests or to submit an application, please email <a href="mailto:planning@whiterockcity.ca">planning@whiterockcity.ca</a> or call 604-541-2158.</li> <li>Appointments may be required to support the delivery of hard copy materials, when needed. Please email <a href="mailto:planning@whiterockcity.ca">planning@whiterockcity.ca</a> or call 604-541-2158.</li> <li>If you would like to mail your application, attach your cheque to your application form and send it to White Rock City Hall or place the cheque and application into the secure drop box in front of City Hall.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Residents who wish to purchase recycling containers (blue, green, red) or extra garbage pick-up tickets can submit their request online. Once we have received your request we will contact you for payment and arrange for pickup.</li> <li>Residents who need paper (yellow) recycling bags or green cart waste tickets can submit their request online. Once we have received your request we will contact you for pickup.</li> <li>Please visit local hardware and department stores to buy tickets and yard waste bags.</li> <li>For any questions about purchasing items or if you are unable to use the online request form, please contact <a href="mailto:finance@whiterockcity.ca">finance@whiterockcity.ca</a> or call 604-541-2108.</li> <li>For information on garbage and recycling collection, visit <a href="http://whiterockcity.ca/garbage">whiterockcity.ca/garbage</a>.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Building and trade permit applications can be found at <a href="http://whiterockcity.ca/building">whiterockcity.ca/building</a>.</li> <li>To book a building inspection, please call 604-541-2133.</li> <li>To apply for a building permit, an appointment is required. To make your appointment please email <a href="mailto:building@whiterockcity.ca">building@whiterockcity.ca</a> or call 604-541-2140.</li> <li>For inquiries, please email <a href="mailto:building@whiterockcity.ca">building@whiterockcity.ca</a> or call 604-541-2140.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pay blow tickets online at <a href="http://whiterockcity.ca/online">whiterockcity.ca/online</a>.</li> <li>Pay blow tickets by mail by sending your cheque to White Rock City Hall or place the cheque into the secure drop box in front of City Hall. Please write the ticket number on the front of your cheque.</li> <li>If you have questions about your blow ticket, please email <a href="mailto:blow@whiterockcity.ca">blow@whiterockcity.ca</a> or call 604-541-2146.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pay using online or telephone banking. Check the front of your tax notice for instructions on setting up online banking.</li> <li>Pay at your local bank or credit union.</li> <li>Mail your cheque to 604-541-2108 or place the cheque into the secure drop box in front of City Hall. Please write the tax number on the front of your cheque.</li> <li>Effective 2021, homeowners no longer apply for the home owner grant through the City of White Rock. Apply directly to the Province of BC using the new online system. For more information, and to apply, visit <a href="http://gdc.bc.ca/homeownergrant">gdc.bc.ca/homeownergrant</a> or call 1-888-355-2738 to speak with an agent.</li> <li>The Deferral is a provincial loan program that allows you to defer the annual property tax payment on your home if you meet the criteria. For more information, visit <a href="http://gdc.bc.ca/propertytaxdeferral">gdc.bc.ca/propertytaxdeferral</a> or phone 1-888-355-2790.</li> <li>The deferral program does not include the "Other Fees &amp; Charges" amount included on your tax notice or any applicable Home Owner Grant. To avoid penalties, apply for your grant and pay the "Other Fees &amp; Charges" by the due date. This year's property taxes and interest must also be paid to be eligible to defer your property taxes.</li> <li>Email <a href="mailto:finance@whiterockcity.ca">finance@whiterockcity.ca</a> or call 604-541-2286.</li> </ul>
 WATER UTILITY	 DOG LICENCES			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pay using online or telephone banking. Check the back of your water bill for instructions on setting up online banking.</li> <li>Pay at your local bank or credit union.</li> <li>Mail your cheque to White Rock City Hall or place the cheque into the secure drop box in front of City Hall. Please write the account number on the front of your cheque.</li> <li>Consider charging to an auto-debit payment plan. Card fees at <a href="http://whiterockcity.ca/autodebit">whiterockcity.ca/autodebit</a>.</li> <li>Email <a href="mailto:finance@whiterockcity.ca">finance@whiterockcity.ca</a> or call 604-541-2286.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Renew your dog licence online at <a href="http://whiterockcity.ca/online">whiterockcity.ca/online</a>, using the account number and access code found on your invoice.</li> <li>You can also mail your cheque to White Rock City Hall or place the cheque into the secure drop box in front of City Hall.</li> <li>Apply for a new dog licence at <a href="http://whiterockcity.ca/online">whiterockcity.ca/online</a>.</li> <li>If you require help, please email <a href="mailto:licences@whiterockcity.ca">licences@whiterockcity.ca</a> or call 604-541-2133.</li> </ul>			
 PARKING TICKETS	 RESIDENT PARKING PERMITS AND DECALS	 BUSINESS LICENCES	 RECREATION AND CULTURE	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pay parking tickets online by credit card at <a href="http://whiterockcity.ca/online">whiterockcity.ca/online</a>.</li> <li>Pay parking tickets by mail by sending your cheque to White Rock City Hall or place the cheque into the secure drop box in front of City Hall. Please write the ticket number on the front of your cheque.</li> <li>To appeal a parking ticket, visit <a href="http://whiterockcity.ca/parking">whiterockcity.ca/parking</a>.</li> <li>Email <a href="mailto:finance@whiterockcity.ca">finance@whiterockcity.ca</a>.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Residents who wish to purchase resident pay parking decal, resident parking permits, one-day event parking permits or central area parking decals can submit their request online. We will contact you for payment once we have received the request and will email customers their details and permits.</li> <li>For any questions about purchasing items or if you are unable to use the online request form, please contact <a href="mailto:finance@whiterockcity.ca">finance@whiterockcity.ca</a> or call 604-541-2148.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Renew your business licence online by credit card at <a href="http://whiterockcity.ca/online">whiterockcity.ca/online</a>.</li> <li>You can also mail your cheque to White Rock City Hall or place the cheque into the secure drop box in front of City Hall. Please write the account number on the front of your cheque.</li> <li>Apply for a new business licence at <a href="http://whiterockcity.ca/businesslicences">whiterockcity.ca/businesslicences</a>.</li> <li>If you require help, please email <a href="mailto:licences@whiterockcity.ca">licences@whiterockcity.ca</a> or call 604-541-2133.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All indoor adult group fitness programs are currently paused. Recreation programs are open for registration. For updates, visit <a href="http://whiterockcity.ca/recreation">whiterockcity.ca/recreation</a>.</li> <li>Recreation facilities are open to registered program participants only and remain closed to the public. Register online or call 604-541-2139.</li> <li>If you have a question regarding awards, cancellations, or general inquiries, please email <a href="mailto:recreation@whiterockcity.ca">recreation@whiterockcity.ca</a> or call 604-541-2199.</li> </ul>	
CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>City Council meetings will take place without the public in attendance at this time until further notice.</li> <li>Delegations to Council: You may appear as a Delegation before Council through electronic means. For information on how to apply, visit <a href="http://whiterockcity.ca/delegation">whiterockcity.ca/delegation</a>.</li> <li>Watch City Council and Committee meetings online at <a href="http://whiterockcity.ca/councilfilings">whiterockcity.ca/councilfilings</a>.</li> <li>For inquiries, email <a href="mailto:clerk@whiterockcity.ca">clerk@whiterockcity.ca</a> or call 604-541-2212.</li> </ul>				

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Phone: 604-541-2100  
Hours: Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.  
By appointment only  
Website: [whiterockcity.ca](http://whiterockcity.ca)

### 3. New Online Business Licence Search Tool

**Department:** Information Technology

**Summary:** The Business Licence Information Portal is a new online query tool designed to visually display business licence information in an easy-to-understand and mobile-friendly format.

This functionality lends itself well to quick queries when confirming that a business operating within White Rock is appropriately licensed. Requests for information not readily available via this tool must be submitted to the Planning and Development Services department.

**Contact:** Chris Zota

**Link:** [Property Information \(whiterockcity.ca\)](http://Property Information (whiterockcity.ca))

**Key Messages:**

- White Rock's Business Licence Information Portal features real-time integration with Google Maps.
- The portal is mobile-friendly and provides access to information anytime, anywhere, 24 hours a day.



**WHITE ROCK**  
*City by the Sea!*

## BUSINESS LICENCE INFORMATION PORTAL

Welcome to the City of White Rock business licence information portal, designed to visually display business licence information.

Using either the Business Name or Business Address, you can find the business licence number, business status, and business location on Google map.

[Search Criteria](#)

Business Name: FIVE CORNERS CAFE

**Result:**

Business Name: FIVE CORNERS CAFE  
Application Date: Mar 26, 2009  
Licence: 00019956 Description: RESTAURANT

The City of White Rock does not guarantee the completeness of the information provided. If you have any questions or comments, please contact 604-541-2139 or [licences@whiterockcity.ca](mailto:licences@whiterockcity.ca).

Configure messages to further describe to the end user how to perform searches.

Business Name: FIVE CORNERS CAFE

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[Click to see the report](#)

## BUSINESS LICENCE INFORMATION REPORT

Licensing Account 10679

Category: BUSINESS LICENCES      Licencee Name(s): FIVE CORNERS CAFE  
Application Date: Mar 26, 2009

**FIVE CORNERS CAFE**

Trade Status: OPEN  
Home Based: No  
Inter Municipal: No  
Non Resident: No

Trade Location(s)  
1173 JOHNSTON RD WHITE ROCK BC V4B 3Y7

Licence	Type(s)	Covers From	Covers To	Status
00019956 RESTAURANT	RESTAURANT	May 01, 2020	Apr 30, 2021	APPROVED

#### 4. Residential Toolkit from Creative BC now available on City's filming webpage

**Department:** Recreation and Culture

**Summary:** The Residential Toolkit from Creative BC is now on the City of White Rock's filming web page. The toolkit informs homeowners, tenants and neighbours of what to expect when the motion picture industry films on location at their property or in their neighbourhood and includes key contact information for questions or concerns about a film production.

This resource will be a valuable tool as the City moves forward in developing a film attraction strategy to bring more film business to the community.

**Contact:** Elizabeth Keurvorst

**Link:** [whiterockcity.ca/filming](http://whiterockcity.ca/filming)

**Key Messages:**

- The City of White Rock is featuring Creative BC's Residential Toolkit on the City's filming web page.
- The toolkit informs homeowners, tenants and neighbours of what to expect when the motion picture industry films on location at their property or in their neighbourhood and includes key contact information for questions or concerns about a film production.
- The Residential Toolkit is available at [whiterockcity.ca/filming](http://whiterockcity.ca/filming) under "Information for Residents and Businesses" in the "Additional Resources" section.

## **5. Spring Training Week for White Rock Firefighters**

**Department:** White Rock Fire Rescue

**Summary:** White Rock Firefighters are wrapping up Spring Training Week today that focused on the maintenance of specialty skills. This year's key program was the IAFF Fire Ground Survival Awareness Course. The purpose of the program is to ensure that training for Mayday prevention and Mayday operations are consistent among all firefighters, company officers and chief officers. The training teaches firefighters to perform potentially life-saving actions if they become lost, disorientated, injured, low on air or trapped.

During the week, crews also completed Air Management training, low-to-steep rope rescue scenarios, vehicle extrication scenarios and HAZMAT review for responding to rail incidents, ammonia or natural gas leaks. Thank you to the Operations department for their patience and accommodation of the vehicle extrication scenarios conducted at the City works yard.

**Contact:** Ken Molland

**Key Messages:**

- White Rock Fire Rescue staff participated in Spring Training this week.
- Training topics included Fire Ground Survival, Air Management, low-to-steep rope rescue, vehicle extrication and HAZMAT review.
- Firefighters are required to complete over 200 hours of core skills and specialty training annually.











## 6. Update from the Fire Chief on COVID-19

**Department:** White Rock Fire Rescue

**Summary:** B.C. announced 1,006 new cases of [COVID-19](#) yesterday along with four more deaths. The death toll in B.C. currently stands at 1,550. The rolling seven-day average number of new cases is trending downwards and currently stands at 955, down from 1,130 reported on April 12. Of the new cases, 60 per cent are reported to be in the Fraser Health region compared to 24 per cent in the Vancouver Coastal region.

There has been a total of 122,757 cases of COVID-19 since the pandemic began, of which 8,733 remain active. The number of active cases has declined by 12 per cent over the last week.

There are currently 502 people in hospital due to COVID-19, climbing over 500 for the first time in the pandemic with a record 161 of those people in intensive care. The Province is postponing an estimated 1,750 scheduled surgeries at nine hospitals across the Lower Mainland over the next two weeks due to rising pressure on the health care system.

To date, B.C. has administered at least one dose of COVID-19 vaccine to 1.5 million people, which equates to approximately 29 per cent of the population. The Province began scheduling vaccine bookings for people 60 years and above on Thursday with registration opening to all British Columbians older than 18 today.

**Contact:** Ed Wolfe

**Key Messages:**

- The rolling seven-day average number of new cases has dropped 15 per cent over the last 10 days.
- The number of people in hospital due to COVID-19 has risen above 500 for the first time in the pandemic.

- The Province has had to postpone 1,750 schedule surgeries due to immense pressure on the health care system.
- B.C. has administered over 1.5 million vaccine doses to date.
- Vaccine registration opens to all British Columbians over 18 years of age today.

Thank you and have a great weekend!

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## 2021-04-30 Weekly Activity Update

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Fri 2021-04-30 2:26 PM

To: Mayor and Council <MayorandCouncil@whiterockcity.ca>

📎 2 attachments (254 KB)

2021-04-29 Communication Plan - White Rock Stay Local DRAFT 2.pdf; 2021-2022 Council Strategic Priorities Update - Top Priority-2021-04-30-142112.pdf;

Hello Mayor and Council,

Please see this week's Activity Update as well as the Council Correspondence and top priorities projects update, which is attached.

Here is the list of activities for this week:

1. Engineering Company Wins Award for Design of White Rock Pier Repairs
2. Recognition of Essential Workers by City Council
3. Redacted S. 22
4. Three Great Ways to Stay Active with Recreation and Culture
5. Draft Communication Plan: Stay Local
6. Update from the Fire Chief on COVID-19

### 1. Engineering Company Wins Award for Design of White Rock Pier Repairs

**Department:** Engineering and Municipal Operations

**Summary:** Westmar Advisors has won an award of merit from the Association of Consulting Engineering Companies of B.C. for the company's design work for the repairs to the White Rock Pier after it was severely damaged in 2018. The City will be communicating the award through media relations, the web and social media.

On Dec. 20, 2018, a powerful storm swept over B.C.'s Lower Mainland. White Rock was particularly hard-hit and suffered extensive damage to its Waterfront, including the iconic Pier. The Pier and the marina in front of it were exposed to the storm's full intensity. Most of the marina and the vessels within it were destroyed and the Pier suffered extensive structural damage along its length, with a 100-metre section completely torn away.

Westmar created an innovative design for the new section of the Pier that was strong, economical, quick to install, and had minimal impacts to the sensitive inter-tidal areas surrounding the Pier. The design also provided a simple and efficient method to raise the Pier in the future. Effective strategies were put in place to ensure permitting and construction were completed quickly so the City's primary tourist attraction could be opened to the public as planned on Aug. 27, 2019, in time for the Labour Day Long Weekend.

Westmar recognized that the Pier is socially, culturally, and economically important to White Rock and that the repairs needed to be completed as quickly as possible. The new Pier section had to be cost-effective while being robust enough to withstand similar future storms. It had to be capable of withstanding the seismic event specified by current codes, had to be visually compatible with the existing Pier, and needed to fit into the sections that remained after the storm. The new section also had to enable the Pier to be raised in the future to account for anticipated sea level rise.

**Contact:** Jim Gordon

**Links:**

[ACEC BC Award](#)

[whiterockcity.ca/pier](http://whiterockcity.ca/pier)

**Key Messages:**

- Westmar Advisors has won an award of merit from the Association of Consulting Engineering Companies of B.C. for the company's work on the White Rock Pier after it was severely damaged in 2018.
- The City will be communicating the award through media relations, the web and social media.
- Westmar created an innovative design for the new section of the Pier that was strong, economical, quick to install, and had minimal impacts to the sensitive inter-tidal areas surrounding the Pier.
- Westmar ensure the White Rock Pier was opened to the public as planned on Aug. 27, 2019.

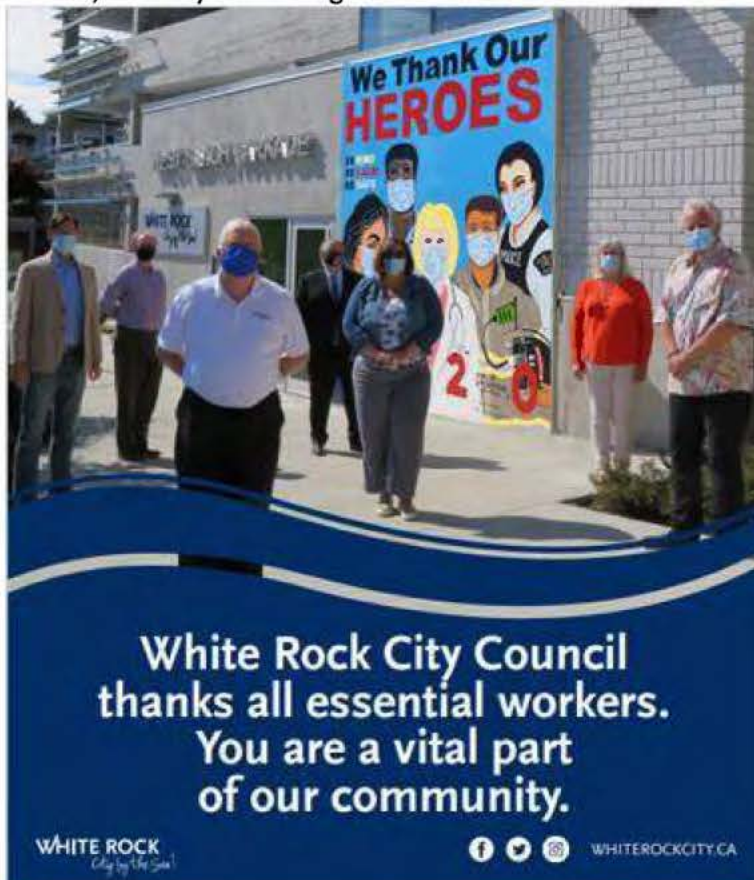
## 2. Recognition of Essential Workers by City Council

**Department:** Communications

**Summary:** The Peace Arch News organized a special section, "Our People, Our Peninsula", on April 29, recognizing local people "who have gone above and beyond to make a difference in the community during these troubled times."

Individuals, businesses or groups were eligible to be recognized. This list includes healthcare workers, frontline workers, volunteers, mask makers, sanitizer producers or someone who is helping a neighbour. This special section tells their stories and acknowledges their contributions.

The City of White Rock recognized and thanked all essential workers in an ad in this section. Earlier this month, the City had recognized White Rock volunteers in an ad in the Peace Arch News.





**Contact:** Donna Kell

**Key Messages:**

- The Peace Arch News organized a special section, "Our People, Our Peninsula", on April 29 recognizing local people who have gone above and beyond during the pandemic.
- The City of White Rock recognized and thanked essential workers in an ad in this special section.
- The City recently thanked volunteers in an ad in Peace Arch News.

3. **Redacted S. 22**

**Department:** Human Resources

**Summary:** Redacted S. 22

**Contact:** Jacquie Johnstone

**Key Messages:**

- Redacted S. 22

4. **Three Great Ways to Stay Active with Recreation and Culture**

**Department:** Recreation and Culture

**Summary:** Provincial Health Officer Dr. Bonnie Henry has extended the restriction on all indoor group fitness exercises to May 25.

To keep residents active and engaged during this period, Recreation and Culture is offering many registered live ZOOM classes, including yoga, Pilates, Zumba, Bodyworks 50+, Fit Camp 50+, and guitar lessons.

Select group fitness classes have been moved outdoors to Centennial Park and the Kent Street Activity Centre parking lot and follow approved COVID-19 safety plans. Recreation and Culture continues to offer [online fitness videos](#) for free public access.

**Contact:** Sylvia Yee

**Link:** [Province-Wide Restrictions \(including low-intensity group exercise\)](#)

**Key Messages:**

- The Provincial Health Officer has extended the restriction on all indoor group fitness classes to May 25.
- Recreation and Culture is keeping residents active and engaged by offering registered ZOOM fitness classes and outdoor fitness classes and more free online fitness videos.
- Recreation and Culture has eight online fitness videos that residents can access for free.

5. **Draft Communication Plan: Stay Local**

**Department:** Communications

**Summary:** Travel restrictions for non-essential travel in B.C. are in place until May 25 to stop the spread of COVID-19 and variants of concern. Fines can be issued to people who leave their region for non-essential travel. The Province is instructing people as follows: "Stay local and stay in your community. Do not travel for non-essential reasons."

The Province has also said not to take long trips within individual regions, specifically:

- Now is not the time for overnight vacations away from your community.
- Stay close to home.
- Visit your local beach, hiking trail or park.

Current travel restrictions in B.C. can be found [here](#).

The City follows all Provincial orders, including travel restrictions.

#### **Council Direction**

At its meeting on April 19, City Council considered 19 options for the Waterfront to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic. At its meeting on April 26, Council directed staff to develop messaging indicating that now is not the time to travel to White Rock for those outside of the Peninsula. A draft communication plan is attached that proposes the following main messages, based on Council's direction:

- As the COVID-19 case numbers and hospitalizations increase, we all must do our part to ensure we stay safe.
- The Provincial travel restrictions are put in place to reduce the spread of the virus, including variants.
- If you live in White Rock or South Surrey, or are from the Semiahmoo First Nation, please enjoy all White Rock has to offer.
- If you are not local, we look forward to welcoming you back when it's safe to do so.
- There are many beautiful places in B.C. Stay close to home and enjoy your neighbourhood.

**Contact:** Donna Kell

#### **Key Messages:**

- Travel restrictions for non-essential travel in B.C. are in place until May 25 to stop the spread of COVID-19 and variants of concern.
- The City follows all Provincial orders, including travel restrictions.
- At its meeting on April 26, Council directed staff to develop messaging indicating that now is not the time to travel to White Rock for those outside of the Peninsula.
- The draft communication plan containing that messaging is attached.

## **6. Update from the Fire Chief on COVID-19**

**Department:** White Rock Fire Rescue

**Summary:** B.C. announced 874 new cases of [COVID-19](#) yesterday along with one additional death. The death toll in B.C. currently stands at 1,577.

The rolling seven-day average number of new cases continues to trend downward and currently stands at 858 cases, down from 1,130 reported on April 12. Of the new cases, 66 per cent are reported to be in the Fraser Health region compared to 21 per cent in the Vancouver Coastal region. Another 11,628 people are isolating due to possible exposure.

There has been a total of 128,763 cases of COVID-19 since the pandemic began, with 7,996 remaining active. The number of active cases has declined by 11 per cent over the last week.

There are currently 503 people in hospital due to COVID-19, down from a record high of 515 reported on Wednesday. Of those patients, 178 are in intensive care.

To date, B.C. has administered at least one dose of COVID-19 vaccine to over 1.75 million people, which is about 34 per cent of the population. The Province began scheduling vaccine bookings for people 58 and older on Thursday with registration now open to all British Columbians 18 and older. The Province is expecting the supply of the Pfizer vaccine to double starting next week and to remain at record levels throughout May.



**Contact:** Ed Wolfe

**Key Messages:**

- The rolling seven-day average number of new cases has dropped 24 per cent over the last two weeks.
- There are 503 people in hospital due to COVID-19, down from 515 reported on Wednesday.
- B.C. has administered over 1.75 million vaccine doses to date.
- Vaccine registration is open to all British Columbians 18 and older.
- The Province is expecting the supply of the Pfizer vaccine to double starting next week and to remain at record levels throughout May.

Thank you and have a great weekend!

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## 2021-05-07 Weekly Activity Update

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Fri 2021-05-07 2:20 PM

To: Mayor and Council <MayorandCouncil@whiterockcity.ca>

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2021-05-07 Weekly Council Bulletin..pdf; 2021-2022 Council Strategic Priorities Update - Top Priority-2021-05-07-134141.pdf;

Hello Mayor and Council,

Please see this week's Activity Update, Top Priority Projects Update as well as the Council Correspondence, which is attached.

Here is the list of activities for this week:

1. Communicating 'Stay Local' Messaging
2. Hanging Baskets and Garden Beds
3. Bay Street and Cypress Street Accessible Ramps Project: June to August 2021
4. Update from the Fire Chief on COVID-19

### 1. Communicating 'Stay Local' Messaging

**Department:** Communications

**Summary:** The City of White Rock is asking people who live outside of White Rock and South Surrey to please enjoy their own neighbourhoods and stay local at this time. This is in line with Provincial travel recommendations as the COVID-19 pandemic continues.

The City has issued a media release, posted messaging on social media and the City's website and changed the LED signs leading to the Waterfront. Future communication includes online advertising and a banner posted at the entrance to the White Rock Pier.

**Contact:** Donna Kell

**Links:**

[Travel and COVID-19](#)

[Surrey Now-Leader](#)

[City's website](#)

**Key Messages:**

- In line with B.C. travel recommendations, the City is asking people outside of White Rock and South Surrey to stay local at this time.
- The City is using social media, media, signage and the web to share this information.



LOCAL  
VISITORS  
WELCOME



## 2. Hanging Baskets and Garden Beds

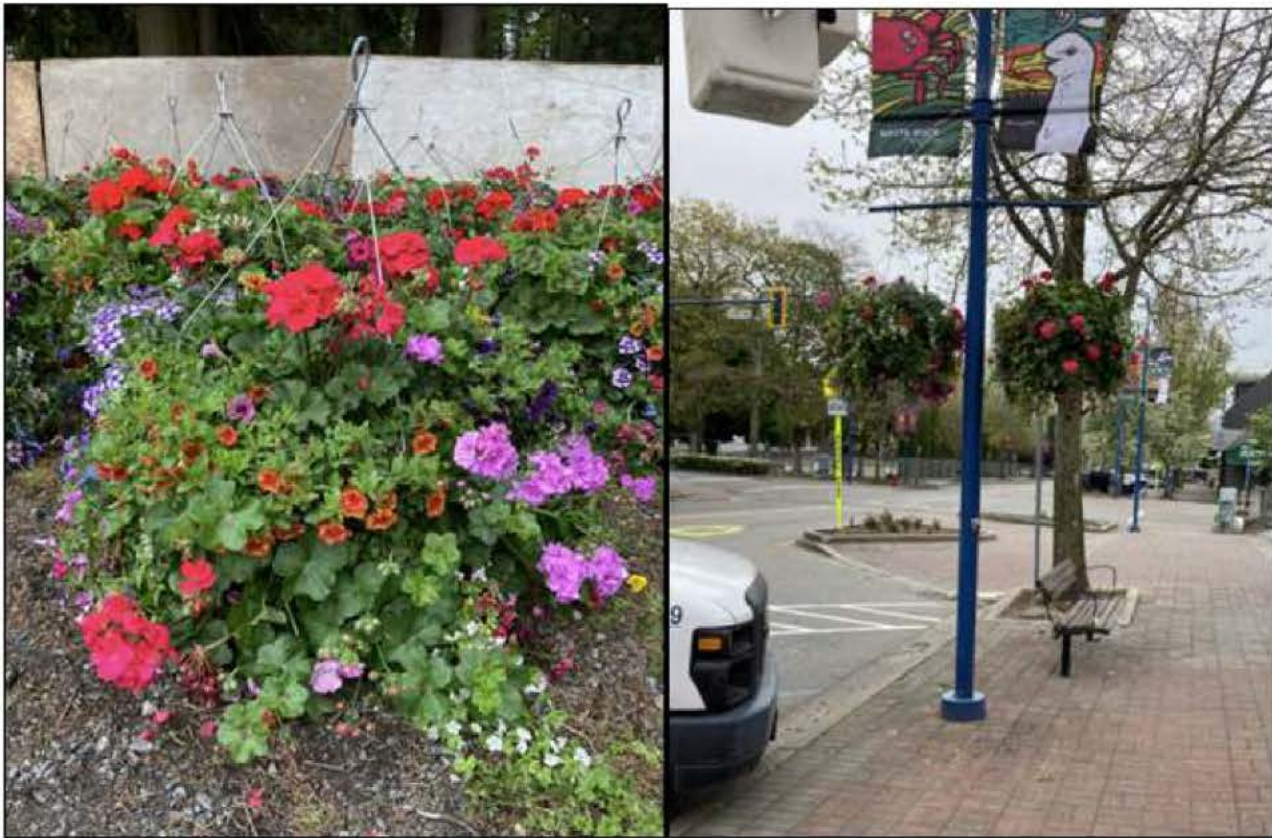
**Department:** Engineering and Municipal Operations

**Summary:** Spring is a busy time for the Parks crews. With Council's approved budget, the Parks department welcomed six new seasonal staff. Crews will be installing more than 190 hanging baskets around the city and have been busy preparing the garden beds. Starting in mid-May, the crews will be planting 10,000 flowers along Marine Drive, waterfront parks, Johnston Road and the civic block.

**Contact:** Jim Gordon

**Key Messages:**

- More than 190 hanging baskets will be installed around the city.
- More than 10,000 flowers will be installed along Marine Drive, waterfront parks, Johnston Road, and the civic block starting in mid-May.



### 3. Bay Street and Cypress Street Accessible Ramps Project: June to August 2021

**Department:** Engineering and Municipal Operations

**Summary:** The ramps at Cypress Street and Bay Street were damaged by storms in 2020 and 2021. Although repairs were made, both ramps pose mobility challenges to people using wheelchairs, scooters and strollers.

To improve accessibility, the City began the Bay Street and Cypress Street accessible ramps project in late 2020 and has now completed the design and most of the extensive permitting, including archaeological permitting. The upcoming installation work includes construction of a 3.5-metre-wide beach ramp at Bay Street and extension of the existing ramp at Cypress Street to provide accessible connections to the beach. Construction of the project will begin, weather-permitting, late June 2020 and be completed by Aug. 30, with construction taking place from Monday to Saturday.

Signage will be placed on site. The beach access at Bay Street and Cypress Street will be unavailable during the construction work. Portions of the Promenade and nearby parking will be affected by closures during construction hours, Monday to Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Saturday, 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

On May 10, Council will consider a report recommending funding adjustments for this project.

**Contact:** Jim Gordon

**Key Messages:**

- The ramps at Cypress Street and Bay Street were damaged by storms in 2020 and 2021.
- To improve accessibility, the City begins the Bay Street and Cypress Street accessible ramps project.
- The project will begin, weather-permitting, in late June and will be completed by Aug. 20, with construction taking place from Monday to Saturday.



- On May 10, Council will consider a report recommending funding adjustments for this project.

#### 4. Update from the Fire Chief on COVID-19

**Department:** White Rock Fire Rescue

**Summary:** B.C. announced 694 new cases of COVID-19 yesterday along with one additional death. The death toll in B.C. now stands at 1,595.

The rolling seven-day average number of new cases continues to trend downwards and currently stands at 697, dropping about 20 per cent over the week. Of the new cases reported, 65 per cent are in the Fraser Health region compared to 22 per cent in the Vancouver Coastal region.

There has been a total of 133,619 cases of COVID-19 since the pandemic began, with 6,802 remaining active. This is the lowest number of active cases reported in the last six weeks. About 94 per cent, or 125,025 cases, have recovered

There are currently 457 people in hospital due to COVID-19, with 154 are in intensive care.

To date, B.C. has administered at least one dose of COVID-19 vaccine to about two million people, which is about to 37 per cent of the population. The Province began scheduling vaccine bookings for people aged 49 years and older on Thursday with registration open to all British Columbians 18 and over. The Province announced it would alter its vaccination campaign to include young people, following approval of the Pfizer vaccine for youth aged 12 and up.

**Contact:** Ed Wolfe

**Key Messages:**

- The rolling seven-day average number of new cases of COVID-19 has dropped 20 per cent over the last seven days.
- Hospitalizations are down 11 per cent over the week.
- B.C. has administered over two million vaccine doses to date, which is about 37 per cent of the province's population.
- The Province is altering its vaccination campaign to include youth 12 and up.

Thank you and have a great weekend.

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## 2021-05-14 Weekly Activity Update

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Fri 2021-05-14 3:41 PM

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2021-2022 Council Strategic Priorities Update - Top Priority-2021-05-14-132943.pdf; 2021-05-14 Weekly Council Bulletin.pdf;

Good afternoon Mayor and Council. On behalf of Guillermo, please see this week's Activity Update, Top Priority Projects Update as well as the Council Correspondence, which is attached.

Here is the list of activities for this week:

1. Filming at the White Rock Pier, Beach and Promenade: May 19
  2. New Summer 2021 Recreation Guide Online May 18
  3. Property Taxes Update
  4. Homeowner Grant Update: Where to Apply
  5. Parking Ticket Update
6. Update from the Fire Chief on COVID-19

### 1. Filming at the White Rock Pier, Beach and Promenade: May 19

**Department:** Recreation and Culture

**Summary:** A film permit will be issued for May 19 for Strive Films. The filming will take place primarily on the beach, under the White Rock Pier, as well as a short walking scene on the Promenade near the head of the pier. Neighbourhood notification letters will be distributed from May 14 to 17, pending final approval.

Filming activities:

- 7 a.m. to noon: Small crew prepares the area.
- Noon to 1 p.m.: More crew and work trucks arrive.
- 1 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.: Full crew will arrive and start filming. (*This includes a scene of lead character walking along, a scene with an actor that struggles with a tough decision to put down his dog, and happy moments of our actor and his dog on the beach.*)
- 9:30 to 11 p.m.: All equipment will be quietly packed up and leave the area.

Note: The actor will have a gun shooting blanks, approximately three to five times between 4 p.m. and 8 p.m. on the beach. The White Rock RCMP will be on site to help isolate the area and supervise the film set.

The crew will be conducting intermittent pedestrian control to keep scene clear. The production has a COVID-19 safety plan and protocols in place. Essential work trucks will be parked on the west side of the White Rock Museum building and crew vehicles will be parking in the West Beach Parkade or Montecito Parkade. City power will be used to eliminate need for a generator to power an essential work truck.

**Contact:** Eric Stepura

**Key Messages:**

- A film permit is in process of being issued to Strive Films Inc.
- Filming will take place on May 19 between 7 a.m. and 11 p.m.
- The permit is for the use of the beach under the White Rock Pier as well as the Promenade and the pier head area. It includes the essential work truck and crew parking, city power, White Rock RCMP support and a business license.
- The neighbourhood will receive notification letters from May 14 to 17.



## 2. New Summer 2021 Recreation Guide Online May 18

**Summary:** The Summer 2021 Recreation Guide will be available online on May 18. White Rock Recreation and Culture will be offering a variety of children's camps, outdoor adult fitness and sport classes and virtual Zoom programs starting in July.

Registration will be offered by phone and online starting May 21 at 8:30 a.m.

All classes will follow updated Provincial health and safety guidelines to protect against the spread of COVID-19.

**Department:** Recreation and Culture

**Contact:** Sylvia Yee

**Link:** [whiterockcity.ca/register](http://whiterockcity.ca/register)

**Key Messages:**

- The Summer 2021 Recreation Guide is available online on May 18.
- Registration opens May 21 at 8:30 a.m.
- Summer Recreation and Culture programs will start in July.

## 3. Property Taxes Update

**Department:** Financial Services

**Summary:** On May 10, Council adopted the City's annual tax rates bylaw. Finance is calculating and preparing property tax notices for 2021. Tax notices will be mailed by the end of May.

To preserve limited appointment space, City Hall remains closed for in-person property tax payments. Customers can refer to the back of their tax notices for ways to pay their property taxes. Staff are available by phone if customers have any questions about their tax notices.

**Contact:** Janene Brierley-Green

**Key Messages:**

- Finance is calculating and preparing property tax notices for 2021.
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- Staff are available by phone for questions about tax notices.

## 4. Homeowner Grant Update: Where to Apply

**Department:** Financial Services

**Summary:** New for 2021, the Province of B.C. has taken over the administration of the Home Owner Grant and the City can no longer accept applications.

When customers receive their property tax notices, they can apply for the grant online at [gov.bc.ca/homeownergrant](http://gov.bc.ca/homeownergrant) or call 1-888-355-2700 to speak with a live agent. Customers will need the jurisdiction and roll number, which can be found on the front of the tax notice—in the yellow box on the stub at the bottom of the form.

**Contact:** Janene Brierley-Green

**Key Messages:**

- New for 2021, customers apply for their homeowner grant with the Province of B.C. Cities can no longer accept homeowner grant applications.
- Customers can apply online at [gov.bc.ca/homeownergrant](http://gov.bc.ca/homeownergrant) or call 1-888-355-2700 to speak with a live agent.
- Customers will need the jurisdiction and roll number, which can be found on the front of their tax notices—in the yellow box on the stub at the bottom of the form.

## 5. Parking Ticket Update

**Department:** Financial Services

**Summary:** There has been a total of 2,845 parking tickets issued in the year-to-date period ending May 9, 2021. Of that total, 1,526 were issued at the Waterfront area, 646 were issued in the Uptown area and 673 were issued in other areas of the city. In the past week, 189 tickets were issued at the Waterfront area, 58 were issued in the Uptown area and 60 were in other areas of the city.

**Contact:** Ralph Volkens

**Key Messages:**

- A total of 2,845 parking tickets was issued in the year-to-date period ending May 9, 2021. Of that total, 1,526 were issued at the Waterfront area, 646 were issued in the Uptown area and 673 were issued in other areas of the City.
- In the past week, 189 tickets were issued at the Waterfront area, 58 were issued in the Uptown area and 60 were issued in other areas of the city.

## 6. Update from the Fire Chief on COVID-19

**Department:** White Rock Fire Rescue

**Summary:** B.C. announced 694 new cases of [COVID-19](#) yesterday, along with one additional death. The death toll in B.C. now stands at 1,595.

The rolling seven-day average number of new cases continues to trend downward and currently stands at 697, dropping about 20 per cent over the week. Of the new cases reported, 65 per cent are in the Fraser Health region compared with 22 per cent in the Vancouver Coastal region.

There has been a total of 133,619 cases of COVID-19 since the pandemic began, with 6,802 remaining active. This is the lowest number of active cases reported in the last six weeks. About 94 per cent, or 125,025 cases, have recovered

There are currently 457 people in hospital due to COVID-19, with 154 in intensive care.

To date, B.C. has administered at least one dose of COVID-19 vaccine to about two million people, which is about 37 per cent of the population. The Province began scheduling vaccine bookings for people 49 years and older on Thursday with registration open to all British Columbians over 18. The Province announced it would alter its vaccination campaign to include young people, following approval of the Pfizer vaccine for youth aged 12 and up.

**Contact:** Ed Wolfe

**Key Messages:**

- The rolling seven-day average number of new cases of COVID-19 has dropped 20 per cent over the last seven days.
- Hospitalizations are down 11 per cent over the week.
- B.C. has administered more than two million vaccine doses to date, which is about 37 per cent of the province's population.
- The Province is altering its vaccination campaign to include youth 12 and up.

Enjoy the weekend ahead.

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## 2021-05-21 Weekly Activity Update

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Fri 2021-05-21 12:35 PM

To: Mayor and Council <MayorandCouncil@whiterockcity.ca>

Cc: Senior Leadership Team <SLT@whiterockcity.onmicrosoft.com>; Chris Magnus <CMagnus@whiterockcity.ca>

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2021-2022 Council Strategic Priorities Update - Top Priority-2021-05-21-121035.pdf; 2021-05-21 Weekly Council Bulletin.pdf; 05 21 2021 Marine Drive Guidelines.pdf; 05 21 2021 Temporary Patio Application.pdf;

### May 21, 2021

Hello Mayor and Council,

Please see this week's Activity Update as well as the Top Priority Projects Update and Council Correspondence, which are attached.

We are also including the On-Street Patio Guidelines for Marine Drive as well as the application form.

Here is the list of activities for this week. Have a great long weekend!

1. Large Part of Tree Falls on Elm Street
2. On-Street Patio Guidelines and Application Form for Marine Drive
3. Parking Update: Weekly Tickets Issued, Staggered Parking Closures
4. Kent Street Activity Centre - Seniors Scene Articles in Peace Arch News
5. Upcoming Key Stakeholder Engagement for Housing Needs Report
6. Occupancy Certificate Issued for Forge's Fantom Project
7. Update from the Fire Chief on COVID-19

#### 1. Large Part of Tree Falls on Elm Street

**Departments:** Engineering and Municipal Operations; White Rock Fire Rescue

**Summary:** On May 18, shortly after 3 a.m., White Rock Fire Rescue received a call to 1156 Elm Street with a report of live wires on site. White Rock RCMP and White Rock Fire Rescue both responded. White Rock Fire Rescue stayed on scene until BC Hydro arrived to respond to potential danger from the wires.

The City's Operations team also arrived on site and determined that a very large section of a tree, known as a scaffold branch, had fallen from a heritage elm tree, hit a power pole and then landed partially on the roof of the house at 1156 Elm.

The City arranged for the tree branches to be removed and had the area cleaned up by 5 p.m.

The City will follow up with tree risk evaluations for all three City elm trees on the street.

**Contact:** Jim Gordon



#### Key Messages:

- On May 18, White Rock Fire Rescue received a call to 1156 Elm Street with a report of live wires on site. White Rock RCMP and White Rock Fire Rescue both responded.
  - White Rock Fire Rescue stayed on scene until BC Hydro arrived to respond to the potential danger from the wires.



- The City's Operations team also arrived on site and determined that a very large section of a tree, known as a scaffold branch, had fallen from a heritage elm tree, hit a power pole and then landed partially on the roof of the house at 1156 Elm.
- The City arranged for the tree branches to be removed and had the area cleaned up by 5 p.m.
- All three City elm trees on the street will be evaluated for risk of falling.

## 2. On-Street Patio Guidelines and Application Form for Marine Drive

**Department:** Engineering and Municipal Operations

**Summary:** City departments are working collaboratively to move forward as quickly as possible with the lane closure on Marine Drive to accommodate increased patio space for restaurants struggling during the COVID-19 pandemic. The Engineering team continues to work with White Rock Fire Rescue, White Rock RCMP and the White Rock BIA to move forward with a safe, effective lane closure.

Engineering has worked with other departments in the City to develop two helpful documents: On-Street Patio Guidelines and an Application Form for Marine Drive applicants.

The City is also mindful of the importance of communicating with nearby residents and has created dedicated web pages with a list of questions and answers. The same web pages will include information for interested restaurant applicants.

**Contact:** Jim Gordon

**Link:** [whiterockcity.ca/marinedrlane closure](http://whiterockcity.ca/marinedrlane closure)

### Key Messages:

- City departments are working quickly and collaboratively toward the lane closure on Marine Drive to accommodate increased patio space for restaurants struggling during the COVID-19 pandemic.
- The Engineering team is connecting with White Rock Fire Rescue, White Rock RCMP and the White Rock BIA.
- Engineering has developed two helpful documents: On-Street Patio Guidelines and an Application Form for Marine Drive applicants.

## 3. Parking Update: Weekly Tickets Issued, Staggered Parking Closures

**Department:** Financial Services

**Summary:** There has been a total of 3,104 parking tickets issued in the year-to-date period ending May 16, 2021. Of that total, 1,701 were issued at the Waterfront area, 696 were issued in the Uptown area and 707 were issued in other areas of the city. In the past week, 175 tickets were issued at the Waterfront area, 50 were issued in the Uptown area and 34 were in other areas of the city.

West Beach Waterfront lots will have staggered closures next week to perform painting of parking stall numbers. Closures will be spaced apart to limit the impact on area businesses and customers. Letters will be delivered to Waterfront businesses this week that outline the schedule. Work will be completed and lots will be open for use again by 1 p.m. each day. Work is expected to occur over a three-day period.

See the graph below showing gross daily Waterfront parking revenue over the past 30 days.



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**Contact:** Ralph Volkens

### Key Messages:

- A total of 3,104 parking tickets was issued in the year-to-date period ending May 16, 2021. Of that total, 1,701 were issued at the Waterfront area, 696 were issued in the Uptown area and 707 were issued in other areas of the city.
- In the past week, 175 tickets were issued at the Waterfront area, 50 were issued in the Uptown area and 34 were in other areas of the city.
- West Beach Waterfront lots will have staggered morning closures prior to noon next week for yearly maintenance.
- The City has a gross Waterfront parking revenue of \$285,771 over the past 30 days.

## 4. Kent Street Activity Centre – Seniors' Scene Articles in Peace Arch News



**Department:** Recreation and Culture

**Summary:** Seniors in the community can access valuable and timely information on Kent Street Centre activities and other White Rock Recreation and Culture programs and services from this weekly featured column in the Peace Arch news. The well-read, popular column keeps older adults connected to their community with weekly updates on recreation programs, activities and special events they can participate in.

**Contact:** Sylvia Yee

**Link:** [Seniors' Scene Peace Arch News](#)

**Key Messages:**

- The Seniors' Scene is a weekly feature in the Peace Arch News.
  - The article promotes the Kent Street Activity Centre and White Rock Recreation and Culture programs, services and activities for seniors in the community.
- The column keeps seniors connected and engaged in community activities.

## 5. Upcoming Key Stakeholder Engagement for Housing Needs Report

**Department:** Planning and Development; Communications

**Summary:** A series of key **stakeholder workshops** and a **Renter's Forum** will be held in June to support the ongoing preparation of a Housing Needs Report for the City of White Rock. Staff and our consultants from CitySpaces have scheduled the workshops and forum as follows:

- Institutional Workshop: June 10 (10 a.m. to noon)
- Developer / Builder Workshop: June 10 (2 to 4 p.m.)
- **Renter's Forum: June 10 (5:30 to 7 p.m.)**
- Non-Profit Housing and Service Provider Workshop: June 11 (10 a.m. to noon)
- Large (Institutional) Landowner Workshop: June 11 (2 to 4 p.m.)

The workshops and forum will be hosted by CitySpaces on behalf of the City of White Rock using Zoom. Links to the meetings will be posted to the City's events calendar and the project webpage: [www.talkwhiterock.ca/housing](http://www.talkwhiterock.ca/housing).

Those wishing to attend a workshop should be actively engaged in the industry tied to the session(s). Please note that there will be later opportunities for broader engagement with the White Rock community. The Landowner Workshop will primarily target local religious institutions that have larger land holdings that may be conducive to supporting a variety of housing options and levels of affordability.

A mailout is being provided to the owners and managers of existing rental properties to promote the Renter's Forum. Further, social media, including a Facebook Event Page, will be used to raise awareness about the event.

**Contact:** Greg Newman, Donna Kell

**Key Messages:**

- Key stakeholder engagement will be held to gain further knowledge regarding local housing needs.
- The Renters' Forum is aimed at identifying opportunities and obstacles to accessing rental housing in White Rock.
- Broader community engagement will follow the workshops and forum.

## 6. Occupancy Certificate Issued for Forge's Fantom Project

**Department:** Planning and Development Services

**Summary:** The City's Building Permit Division issued the occupancy certificate for Forge Properties' Fantom Project at 14825 Thrift Avenue on May 14, 2021. The building permit was issued on Aug. 10, 2018. The project consists of 25 units in a 10-storey building, with two levels of underground parking and one level of amenity space.

**Contact:** Wayne Berg (Manager, Building and Bylaw Enforcement)

**Key Messages:**

- Occupancy has been granted to the Fantom Project at 14825 Thrift Avenue.
- The project has completed construction in just under three years.
- The project has created 25 new residential units in the Town Centre Transition area.

## 7. Update from the Fire Chief on COVID-19

**Department:** White Rock Fire Rescue

**Summary:** B.C. announced 357 new cases of [COVID-19](#) yesterday along with three new deaths. This is the lowest number of new cases reported since mid-February. The death toll in B.C. now stands at 1,661.



The rolling seven-day average number of new cases continues to trend downwards and currently stands at 449, dropping 25 per cent over the week. Of the new cases reported, 47 per cent are in the Fraser Health region compared to 18 per cent in the Vancouver Coastal region.

There has been a total of 140,953 cases of COVID-19 since the pandemic began of which 4,636 remain active. This is the lowest number of active cases reported since March 1. About 95 per cent of reported cases are considered to have recovered

There are currently 331 people in hospital due to COVID-19, with 113 are in intensive care. Hospitalizations are down 20 per cent over the last week.

To date, B.C. has administered at least one dose of COVID-19 vaccine to approximately 2.54 million people, which equates to 50 per cent of the population. As of Wednesday, the Province has opened vaccine registration for all youth aged 12 to 17. B.C. has approximately 310,000 youth eligible to receive the Pfizer vaccine.

**Contact:** Ed Wolfe

**Key Messages:**

- The rolling seven-day average number of new cases has dropped another 25 per cent over the last seven days.
- Hospitalizations are down 20 per cent over the week.
- B.C. has administered over 2.54 million vaccine doses to date, equating to 50 per cent of the province's population.
- The Province has opened vaccine registration for all youth aged 12 to 17.

## 2021-05-28 Weekly Activity Update

Guillermo Ferrero <GFerrero@whiterockcity.ca>

Fri 2021-05-28 1:35 PM

To: Mayor and Council <MayorandCouncil@whiterockcity.ca>

📎 2 attachments (7 MB)

2021-05-28 Weekly Council Bulletin.pdf; Top Priority-2021-05-28.pdf;

Hello Mayor and Council,

Please see this week's Activity Update as well as the Top Priority Projects Update and Council Correspondence, which are attached. Also, Scott, please see highlighted item #8 which was promised to be delivered to Council before June and something you have requested.

Here is the list of activities for this week:

1. EV Charger Installed at Centre for Active Living (CAL)
  2. Parks Update for May 28
3. Registration for Summer Recreation Programs
  4. Strive Films – May 19 Permit Update
  5. June 1 Film Permit – Rethink Communications
6. Virtual Canada Day by the Bay Promotions
7. 2021 State of the City Address
8. Requests for Service Dashboard (Data Analytics)
9. Update from the Fire Chief on COVID-19

### 1. EV Charger Installed at Centre for Active Living (CAL)

**Department:** Engineering and Municipal Operations

**Summary:** The Engineering Department installed a new electric vehicle (EV) charger at the Center for Active Living (CAL). Two parking stalls are reserved for electric vehicles to charge while at the facility. The two-port, Level 2 ChargePoint charger adds to the City's inventory of seven Level 2 chargers to encourage increased use of electric vehicles. This is part of the City's Climate Action Plan to reduce the consumption of fossil fuels.

The City has partnered with BC Hydro to receive a grant from Natural Resources Canada for \$5,000 per EV charging port. There is currently no cost for using the charger, however parking rates do apply.





**Contact:** Jim Gordon

**Link:** [PlugShare - EV Charging Station Map - Find a place to charge your car!](#)

**Key Messages:**

- A two-port, Level 2, ChargePoint electric vehicle charger has been installed at the Centre for Active Living.
- There is currently no cost to charge a vehicle however parking rates do apply.
- The City will receive a grant of \$10,000 from Natural Resources Canada through BC Hydro.

## 2. Parks Update for May 28

**Department:** Engineering and Municipal Operations

**Summary:** Here are some Parks activity updates for the coming week.

### **Invasive Species**

Green Teams Canada will be doing some invasive plant removal from the beach dunes on Saturday, May 29. Three stalls at the west end of the parking lot at Anderson Street will be coned off for green waste.

### **Seasonal Planting**

Seasonal planning is completed in the following areas:

- Parks along Marine Drive: Memorial, Bay, Grand Chief Bernard Robert *Charles* Plaza, crescent beds at Anderson Street and Pop-up Park
- City Hall
- Johnston Road

### **Upcoming Park Activities**

Some upcoming Parks activities include:

- Kent Street Activity Centre clean up and planting
- Rotary Park spring cleanup
- Bench maintenance and staining
- Reviewing parks garbage collection program

**Contact:** Jim Gordon

**Key Messages:**

- The Parks team is providing an update on activities.
- Green Teams Canada will be doing some invasive plant removal from the beach dunes on Saturday, May 29.
- Some seasonal planning is completed, including at City Hall, the Waterfront and Johnston Road.
- Upcoming activities include cleanup, maintenance and the parks garbage collection program.

### 3. Registration for Summer Recreation Programs

**Department:** Recreation and Culture

**Summary:** Registration for the summer program season began May 21. Approximately 600 registrations have been processed to date. An exciting array of programs are planned for the summer including children's camps, outdoor fitness and yoga classes, pickleball and tennis lessons, day hikes and more.

All classes will follow up-to-date Provincial health safety guidelines.

**Contact:** Sylvia Yee

**Link:** [whiterockcity.ca/register](http://whiterockcity.ca/register)

**Key Messages:**

- Approximately 600 registrations were received for summer programs to date
- The majority of summer programs will be outdoors
- All classes will follow up-to-date Provincial health safety guidelines

### 4. Strive Films – May 19 Permit Update

**Department:** Recreation and Culture

**Summary:** The May 19 film permit for Strive Films was a success. Thanks to the White Rock RCMP for their assistance with the simulated gunfire scene. In addition to the permit revenue we received, the production company contributed over \$4,000 to various restaurants and cafes, local accommodations, and purchases of supplies, parking and gasoline in White Rock.

**Contact:** Eric Stepura

**Key Messages:**

- The Strive Films film permit on May 19 was a success.
- Thanks to White Rock RCMP for their assistance.
- Strive Films contributed over \$4,000 to various places of business in White Rock.

### 5. June 1 Film Permit – Rethink Communications

**Department:** Recreation and Culture

**Summary:** A film permit will be issued to Rethink Communications Inc for Tuesday, June 1 from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. They will be setting up their crew and work trucks in the CPLC parking lot as well as filming in the overflow parking lot by the tennis courts. In addition, they will be filming for one to two hours at a few residential locations throughout the city. Signage will be placed at filming locations with "Filming in Progress; Businesses Open as Usual; COVID-19 Safety Plan and Protocols in Place."

**Contact:** Eric Stepura

**Key Messages:**

- A film permit is being issued to Rethink Communications Inc. for June 1 from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m.



- Filming is taking place at CPLC's overflow lot and a few residential addresses.
- Signage will be placed at filming locations with "Filming in Progress; Businesses Open as Usual; COVID-19 Safety Plan and Protocols in Place."

## 6. Virtual Canada Day by the Bay Promotions

**Department:** Recreation and Culture

**Summary:** Virtual Canada Day promotions will be starting early next week with a press release, an advertisement in the Peace Arch News and the launch of the webpage and social media channels. You will see more promotions over the next few weeks.

**Contact:** Eric Stepura

**Link:** [whiterockcity.ca/canadaday](http://whiterockcity.ca/canadaday)

### Key Messages:

- Virtual Canada Day promotions are starting next week
- Initial promotions will include a press release, advertisement in the Peace Arch News and launch of the webpage and social media channels.
- More promotions will be launched leading up to Canada Day.

## 7. 2021 State of the City Address

**Departments:** Corporate Administration

**Summary:** Chambers of Commerce across North America annually present municipal State of the City Addresses to recall successes and challenges from the previous year and to share opportunities for, and the vision for, the upcoming year.

The South Surrey & White Rock Chamber of Commerce is hosting the 2021 State of the City Address featuring Mayor Darryl Walker who will provide an update on behalf of White Rock City Council. This will take place on Zoom during the 10 to 11 a.m. Chamber Chat time slot on Tuesday, June 15.

The City will host a community version the same day between 7 and 8 p.m. on Microsoft Teams.

The Chamber event is free to members and \$20 for non-members. Register at [www.sswrchamber.ca/events](http://www.sswrchamber.ca/events). Registration is not required for the City event, which will go live at 7 p.m. June 14 at this [link](#).

**Contact:** Donna Kell

### Links:

[whiterockcity.ca/stateofthecityaddress](http://whiterockcity.ca/stateofthecityaddress)

[sswrchamber.ca/events](http://sswrchamber.ca/events)

[State of the City - June 15, 2021 \(escribemeetings.com\)](https://www.escribemeetings.com)

### Key Messages:

- Chambers of Commerce annually present State of the City addresses on behalf of local municipalities.
- The South Surrey & White Rock Chamber of Commerce is hosting the 2021 State of the City Address with Mayor Darryl Walker on June 14 at 10 a.m.
- The City of White Rock is hosting the State of the City Address on June 14 at 7 p.m.
- The two events are both online.
- The Chamber event is free to members and \$20 for non-members. Register at [www.sswrchamber.ca/events](http://www.sswrchamber.ca/events). Registration is not required for the City event, which will go live at 7

## 8. Requests for Service Dashboard (Data Analytics)

**Department:** Information Technology

**Summary:** From broken streetlights to illegal dumping and graffiti removal, the City handles thousands of service requests a year. Most of these requests are submitted and processed through this [interface](#) on our website. Requests are then managed internally through a series of workflows. The legacy application used to manage the *calls for service* requests doesn't have a native, user-friendly reporting capability. To accomplish this, we built a graphically rich PowerBI dashboard that leverages the power of the cloud technology. To maintain the privacy, data is grouped by the postal code of the area in question.

Dashboards are designed for quick analysis and informational awareness, with a focus on presenting operational and analytical data. Data dashboards surface the necessary data to understand, monitor and improve a business through visual representations.

**Contact:** Chris Zota

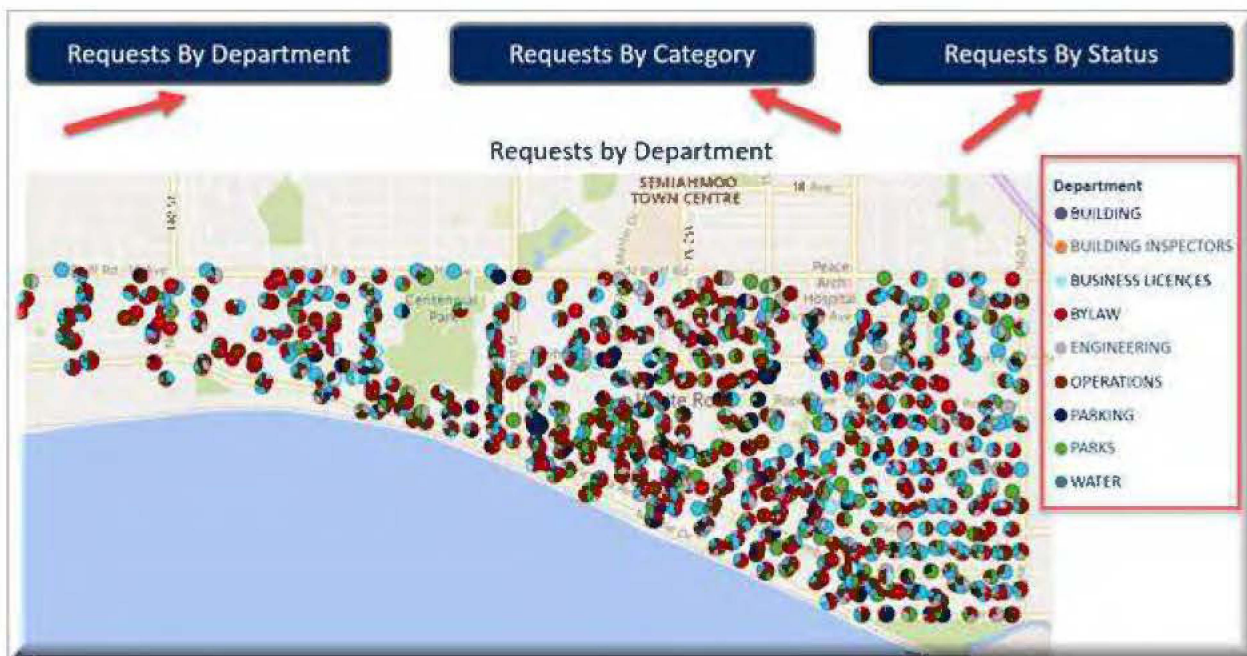
**Link:** [Requests for Service Dashboard](#)

### Key Messages:

- Easy dissemination of statistical data.
- Highly interactive web-based tool, no client software required.
- Data updated on weekly basis.
- Rich data insights.
- Choose from geo-located data display to bar/pie charts.
- Super-granular data analytics.
- Privacy is important.
- Data goes back three years when the system went live.







## 9. Update from the Fire Chief on COVID-19

**Department:** White Rock Fire Rescue

B.C. announced 378 new cases of [COVID-19](#) yesterday along with seven new deaths. This pushes the province's seven-day rolling average number of new cases to 330, up slightly from the seven-month low of 327 reported on Wednesday. The death toll in B.C. is now at 1,690.

Of the new cases reported, 50 per cent are in the Fraser Health region compared to 26 per cent in the Vancouver Coastal region. The number of new cases has decreased by 26 per cent over the last week.

There has been a total of 143,264 cases of COVID-19 since the pandemic began, of which 3,543 remain active. The number of active cases has declined 24 per cent over the last seven days. Approximately 96 per cent of reported cases are considered to have recovered.

There are currently 286 people in hospital due to COVID-19, of which 88 are in intensive care. Hospitalizations continue to trend downward and have dropped 10 per cent over the last week.

To date, B.C. has administered at least one dose of COVID-19 vaccine to approximately 2.87 million people, which equates to 56 per cent of the population. B.C. public health officials announced Thursday that people will be offered their second dose of Pfizer or Moderna vaccine about eight weeks after their first dose, shortening the gap between doses from the original plan of 16 weeks.

On Tuesday, B.C. officials unveiled a four-step plan to ease pandemic restrictions. The restart plan will follow approximate timelines based on vaccination rates continuing to rise across the province and [COVID-19](#) cases continuing to decline.

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### Key Messages:

- The number of new cases of COVID-19 is down 26 per cent over the last seven days.
  - Hospitalizations are down 10 per cent over the week.
  - B.C. has administered over 2.87 million vaccine doses to date, equating to 56 per cent of the province's population.

- The Province has announced it's shortening the gap between vaccine doses to eight weeks.
- B.C. officials unveiled a four-step plan to ease pandemic restrictions.

Enjoy the sunny weekend!

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