

Council Update

Investing in Infrastructure



Catherine Ferguson
Mayor

Welcome to Council Update—a new feature in City News where you can learn more about the City's goals and the steps your Council is taking to achieve them.

This edition, the focus is on infrastructure. "As a Council, one of our top priorities is ensuring that White Rock's roads, sidewalks and facilities are well maintained and meet the needs of our residents," says Mayor Catherine Ferguson.

Going into 2009, the City's Financial Plan called for more than \$5.5 million in capital projects—including more than \$1 million in transportation and pedestrian safety improvements. When Council reviewed the plan, we opted to add an additional \$600,000 to our planned expenditures to better meet the community's current needs.

Last week, the City's budget for infrastructure improvements increased again when the City of White Rock was selected to receive more than \$4 million in grant money for 3 projects valued at over \$6M from the federal and provincial governments. This grant money will not only bring improvements to sidewalks and pedestrian crossings in 31 locations in White Rock, it will also help the Centre for Active Living (integrated project with the Peace Arch Curling Club) come into being. The grant will also facilitate the restoration and renovation of the White Rock Museum and Archives.



Mary-Wade
Anderson
Councillor



Al Campbell
Councillor



Helen Fathers
Councillor



Doug McLean
Councillor



Lynne Sinclair
Councillor

Notice

Centennial Park Track Repairs

Residents are advised that the Centennial Park running track (14600 North Bluff Road) will be closed from October 5 – 9 for repaving. For more information, please contact the City of White Rock Parks Division at 604.541.2181.

Volunteer Opportunity

The City of White Rock is seeking additional volunteers to provide insight and expertise to serve on the **White Rock Spirit of BC Committee and the Infrastructure and Transportation Committee** throughout 2009.

Please note volunteers will not be compensated for their service. The number of positions is limited.

If you are interested in serving the community in this way, please submit a resume specifying your preferred area of interest, and outlining any relevant experience to:

Tracey Arthur, City Clerk
The Corporation of the City of White Rock
15322 Buena Vista Ave., White Rock, BC V4B 1Y6
E-mail: tarthur@city.whiterock.bc.ca

All applications must be received no later than 4:30 p.m. on October 16.

Applications/resumes may be made available to City of White Rock Council and staff for review.

In Focus

Community Fire Drill

If a fire occurs in your home, can your family get out safely? Do they know what to do and where to go when the smoke alarm sounds?

It's Fire Prevention Week in White Rock (October 4-10) and you're invited to participate in a Community Fire Drill.

Community Fire Drill
Wednesday, October 7
6:30 p.m.

Participating is easy. First, review your escape routes together. Then test your smoke alarm. When the alarm sounds, have everyone practice their escape plan and gather at the designated meeting place.

Want more information? Come to the White Rock Fire Rescue Open House on Sunday, October 4, 1 to 4 p.m. (15315 Pacific Ave.)

Notice

Public Hearing Rescheduled

Please be advised that the Public Hearing for Bylaw 1901, originally scheduled to take place on Monday, October 5 at 7 p.m. has been postponed and will now occur on October 26 at 7 p.m. Please check the October 16 edition of City News for more details.

Next Week

October 5

Council Meeting
7 p.m.

October 6

Infrastructure and Transportation Committee Meeting
4 p.m.

All meetings at White Rock City Hall, 15322 Buena Vista Ave.