

Property Tax Notices

The 2009 property tax notices have now been mailed. If you have not received your tax notice, please contact the Finance Department at White Rock City Hall at (604) 541-2107 as soon as possible.

If you are a **new home owner**, please note that you are responsible for payment of 2009 property taxes before the due date to avoid penalty.

All property owners are responsible for payment of property taxes regardless of whether or not a tax notice is received.

How to Pay

Property taxes and Home Owner Grant applications* are due on or before July 2, 2009. Payments can be made in one of three ways:

Through your bank

Pay your taxes online or by phone using your financial institution's electronic bill payment system. Use "City of White Rock" as the payee and enter your nine-digit property tax roll number as your account number. You can also pay in person at your branch.

By mail

Save time. Send a postdated cheque and your completed Home Owner Grant application* to City Hall by mail. Please ensure your envelope is postmarked no later than July 2, 2009 to avoid penalty.

At City Hall

Pay with cash, cheque or debit card during regular office hours (8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday) or use the convenient mail drop at the front entrance. Please note that City Hall will be closed Wednesday, July 1.

*Claim your Home Owner Grant Online

You can claim your Home Owner Grant online through the City's website. You will need your nine-digit property tax roll number and your access code from the top right corner of your tax notice. Note that Home Owner Grant applications are due on or before July 2, 2009.

If you're late paying

A 5% penalty will be added to any 2009 property taxes remaining unpaid after July 2, 2009. A further 5% will be added to taxes unpaid after August 15, 2009. Unclaimed Home Owner Grants are considered unpaid taxes and also subject to penalty.

Water Main Construction

Please be advised that EPCOR White Rock Water Inc. will be upgrading the water main in the 1200 block of Maple Street, between Buena Vista Avenue and Roper Avenue.

June 8, 2009 to July 31, 2009

7:30 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. daily

Residential services in this section of Maple Street will be upgraded at the same time.

Please refrain from parking on either side of the streets within the construction zone between the hours of 7:30 am – 5:30 pm.

For more details, visit www.epcor.ca/whiterock

RCMP Open House

The White Rock RCMP Detachment Open House happens this Saturday, June 6 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. (rain or shine).

Enjoy pony rides, photo opportunities with Safety Bear and Mounties in Red Serge—plus games, prizes and refreshments. You can even try your skill at marching in uniform at Mini Depot.

And don't forget to bring your bike and helmet to participate in the Kids Bike Relay!

Police, Fire and Ambulance vehicles will also be on display.

Public Meeting on the 2008 Annual Report

The 2008 Annual Report for the City of White Rock will be considered at the June 29, 2009 Regular meeting of Council at 7:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers located at 15322 Buena Vista Avenue, White Rock BC.

Pursuant to Section 98 of the Community Charter, S.B.C. 2003, c.26, members of the public are invited to provide comments on the Annual Report. Should you have any concerns, comments or questions you wish to convey to Council concerning the Annual Report they can be made verbally at the meeting or in writing and sent via fax at 604-541-9348, e-mail tarthur@city.whiterock.bc.ca or submitted to the City Clerk.

The Annual Report will be available from June 12, 2009 on the City's web site at www.city.whiterock.bc.ca. From June 12, 2009 a copy can be obtained from the Clerk's Office at City Hall, 15322 Buena Vista Avenue, from Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (excluding statutory holidays).

Should you have any questions please call 604-514-2212.

Yard Waste Changes

White Rock's yard waste program has been a great success since it started last year—helping to divert more than 515 tonnes of yard waste from the landfill.

We've recently made some important changes to the program. Here's what you need to know.

New 10-bag limit

All White Rock residents are reminded that due to the overwhelming popularity of White Rock's yard waste program, a new 10 bag/bundle/can limit is now in effect.

New multi-family and commercial option

Good news! White Rock's yard waste program will now include a pilot program that will service commercial and multi-family units on a call-for-pickup basis.

To arrange for a pickup, you may call 604.541.2181.



Next Week

June 10

White Rock Spirit of BC Committee Meeting
City Hall
15322 Buena Vista Ave.
4:00 p.m.

* Please note there is no Land Use and Planning Committee Meeting due to the FCM Conference.