



## COUNCIL UPDATE

### Core Services Review



Mayor  
Catherine Ferguson

It is important to Council that residents know what's happening in their city at all times. There's no doubt it's a tough challenge sometimes—especially when it comes to issues like our core services review.

Right now, the City of White Rock is reviewing the way its core services are delivered. The purpose of this review is to ensure that White Rock residents are getting good value for their tax dollar, and that our city is well-positioned for a safe, secure and prosperous future.

All of the city's core services are being reviewed, including fire services. As a matter of due diligence, Council felt it prudent to explore what, if any, benefits might be gained by centralizing our fire services with Surrey. However, from the outset, we determined that changes to our

current delivery model would not be made at the expense of public safety, nor firefighters' careers.

To date, Council has received a proposal from the City of Surrey for firefighting services. We have asked a number of independent experts to review this proposal, and these findings are due back to Council shortly.

At this stage, no decision about the future of White Rock Fire Rescue Department has been made—nor will one be made until all the facts have been presented, and the final reports and staff recommendations have been received.

Council wants to be confident we have all the relevant information in front of us—from the experts, our staff, as well as our residents—before drawing any conclusions on this complex issue. It is our conviction that this matter is too important to our city—and indeed, every White Rock resident—to be rushed.

We appreciate your patience as we work through the review process, and look forward to being able to share more information with you in the near future.



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## IN FOCUS



### Mature Drivers Workshops

Are you an older driver? Come to a free Mature Drivers Workshop at the White Rock Community Centre and learn what you can do to stay safe and keep driving for as long as possible.

Learn how age affects your driving skills, update your knowledge of vehicle safety features and assess your own driving habits.

Co-sponsored by White Rock Community Policing and the BCAA Traffic Safety Foundation.

#### Upcoming Workshops

**March 18** 9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

**April 16** 9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

To register, call White Rock Leisure Services at 604.541.2231.

## DEVELOPER INFORMATION MEETING

The City of White Rock has received an application for a Zoning Amendment Bylaw for **1230 Anderson Street** and **14716 McDonald Avenue**.

The purpose of the Zoning Amendment is to permit the subdivision of two lots into three. The properties have sufficient width and depth but not sufficient area to meet the minimum RS-3 requirements for three lots.

### Public Information Meeting

Wednesday, March 10

5:00 -- 6:30 p.m.

Centennial Arena Lounge

14600 North Bluff Road

The meeting will be in an open house format with display boards outlining the details of the proposal. The project team will be available to answer questions. For more information, please contact Johanne Fortin at [johanefortin@shaw.ca](mailto:johanefortin@shaw.ca).

## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Are you looking for summer employment? The City of White Rock is now inviting applications for the following:

### Leisure Program Leaders (Casual—Summer)

- Children's Programs/ Seniors Programs/ Community Events
- Hours range from 30 – 40 per week depending on position
- Priority will be given to post-secondary students pending grant approval
- Application deadline: March 15, 2010

For complete position details, see the City's website [www.city.whiterock.bc.ca](http://www.city.whiterock.bc.ca)

## NEW PHONE NUMBERS



### RCMP Contact Numbers (effective March 1, 2010)

For emergencies (i.e. events in progress) .....9-1-1

For non-emergencies: ..... 778.593.3600

- Report a crime • Make a complaint • Records inquiries
- Speak to the Court Liaison • Speak to a member • General inquiries

For Victim Assistance Services..... 778.593.3608

For Community Policing and Volunteer Opportunities..... 778.593.3611

### Other Frequently Requested Numbers:

To speak to a Bylaw Officer .....604.541-2148  
(Monday to Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.)

To request Bylaw assistance outside office hours ..... 604.541.2146  
(Evenings, weekends, holidays)

For water supply/quality issues, contact EPCOR..... 604.536.6112

To notify City Operations of a problem or emergency event  
involving City property ..... 604.541.2181

## NEXT WEEK

There are no meetings scheduled.

