

Maple Ridge This Month

SEPTEMBER 2017

INFORMED: Back to School

School Zone Enforcement in Effect

School is back on Tuesday, September 5. The RCMP and Speed Watch volunteers will be out and very active over the next couple of weeks. Drivers and cyclists need to be vigilant of pedestrians in the morning and afternoon in school zones as the crosswalks will be filled with children and parents.

The RCMP will be moving throughout the community and doing enforcement to ensure that drivers get the message that school speed zones are in effect. In addition, citizens in rural areas are reminded to respect school bus operations at all



times. Do not pass school buses that are loading and unloading students.

This is a great time to talk to your children and remind them to be attentive when they are walking to and from school. As we move into Fall the importance of bright and reflective clothing for pedestrians is critical, especially in the morning when sunrise happens later.

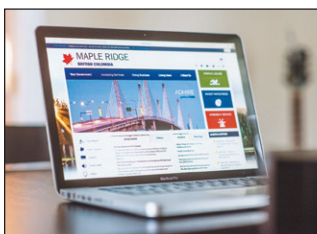
The start of a new school year is an exciting time and together we can keep our children safe as they begin this adventure.

ENGAGED: Upcoming Community Events

September Events for the Whole Family

There are a number of events happening in our community during September including GETI Fest, Port Haney Day, Rivers Day and a number of charity events.

The Haney Farmers Market runs every Saturday from 9:00 am until 2:00 pm in Memorial Peace Park and on September 16 GETI Fest will be co-located in the park for an event that runs from 10:00 am until 3:00 pm. GETI is an acronym for the Golden Ears Transition Initiative which seeks to support citizen action toward reducing oil dependence and building local community resilience and ecological sustainability.



The event is always filled with displays, workshops, music and dance that help citizens become engaged in this initiative.

Check the Community Calendar at mapleridge.ca for times, locations and details of other events during the month of September. The Terry Fox Run and the Cops for Cancer charity events are a good way to contribute your time and money to great causes. Rivers Day is a celebration of the bounty of nature we have here in Maple Ridge. The kids are back to school, but the community events keep rolling along.

ENGAGED: We Want To Hear From You

Open House on the Proposed Outdoor Pool

On Tuesday, September 12 the City of Maple Ridge is hosting an Open House at Thomas Haney Secondary School located at 23000 116 Ave, Maple Ridge. The Open House will run from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm and City staff will be on hand with concept site plans and designs for a proposed outdoor pool located east of Thomas Haney adjacent to the Maple Ridge Lawn Bowling facility.



This is an opportunity to view the proposal, site plan and designs and ask questions of the staff who are hosting the event. We will be asking for written feedback at the Open House or via the City website where information will be posted. Your feedback will be part of the future reports that are delivered to Council as this concept moves forward for further review. Thank you for taking the time to be part of this Open House.

ENGAGED: Home Based Business Review

Help Maple Ridge Become a Leader in Home Based Business

The City of Maple Ridge recognized that Home Based businesses are an important part of the economic prosperity of our community. We have all heard how Apple computers started in a garage, and the next corporation may be incubating in a home in our community. The City of Maple Ridge's Planning and Economic Development departments are teaming up to do a review of the current bylaws around Home Based business.

A web page has been created at mapleridge.ca/1137 with information on the public consultation and some of the objectives of the review. On Saturday, September 9 there will be an information booth at the Haney Farmers Market where you can learn more about this community consultation and provide feedback on the proposals. There is an Open House scheduled for Wednesday, September 13 in the Fraser Room of the Maple Ridge Public Library (second floor). The drop in style Open House will run from 4:00 pm until 8:00 pm and



you will be able to view information and ask questions of the staff hosting the event. We will be asking for written feedback on the proposals that will be included in future reports that will come before Council.

There are a number of other ways that we will be connecting with the business community, and we encourage Home Based business owners and operators to check out the webpage link and join in this important discussion. This is an integral part of the overall economy of our community.

Contact us at: enquiries@mapleridge.ca

If you have a question about any of the content in this ad, or questions about any programs or services offered by the City of Maple Ridge, please email enquiries@mapleridge.ca and one of our team members will respond to you.

INFORMED: September



Council Meeting Schedule

Mayor and Council encourage everyone to attend these important public meetings. It's your chance to see how public policy is debated and enacted.

Tuesday, September 5

6:00 pm, Council Workshop - Blaney Room

Tuesday, September 12

7:00 pm, Council Meeting - Council Chambers

Tuesday, September 19

6:00 pm, Council Workshop - Blaney Room

7:00 pm, Public Hearing followed by Council Meeting - Council Chambers

September 25 through 29

Council members will be attending Union of BC Municipalities Meetings

Agendas & Minutes

Agendas for these meetings are posted online the Friday before the meeting date. Go to mapleridge.ca, click the link under Your Council on the home page.

Workshop at a Glance

Subscribe to the 'Workshop at a Glance' eNewsletter that provides a summary of issues discussed at Council Workshop meetings. Go to mapleridge.ca, click the link to 'Notify Me' and sign up today.

Council Meeting Videos

If you are unable to attend a Council Meeting or Public Hearing meeting you can now watch these meetings on your computer 24/7. The entire unedited meetings are posted two to three days after the meeting. The video is indexed to the agenda package so that you can watch them in their entirety or click through by agenda item. Go to mapleridge.ca and click on the video link at the centre of the home page. In addition, Council meetings are now broadcast on the internet via live streaming using the same technology used for our live budget Q&A sessions. For more information about the live stream go to the 'Council Meetings' page at mapleridge.ca.

INFORMED: Labour Day

Monday, September 4 Holiday Hours



City Hall:..... Closed
Maple Ridge Leisure Centre:..... Open 8:30 am - 4:00 pm
Greg Moore Youth Centre:..... Open 6:00 pm - 9:30 pm
Fire Hall No 1: Administrative Office:..... Closed
RCMP Administrative Office:..... Open 11:00 am - 3:00 pm

