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City of Maple Ridge BC Restart Plan Update and Available Online Services

Maple Ridge, BC: The City is developing the required plans to reopen civic facilities and is committed to aligning with provincial guidelines as administered by WorkSafeBC. As part of this process, work places are being assessed to identify where the risk of transmission is present and controls are being implemented to mitigate those risks.

We'd like to remind citizens that the City remains open by doing business differently. Adjustments and improvements have been made, including:

- Payment of property taxes
- Video inspection of occupied buildings
- Increased limit for over the phone credit card payment to \$6,000
- Accepting declarations for electrical & gas inspections for small projects
- Online business licencing payments
- Online submission of building plans
- Accepting licencing applications & small scale building applications by email
- Online submission of building plans
- Additional drop box for documents that cannot be submitted digitally
- Online meetings
- Personal appointments when necessary

The City has also strengthened its digital platforms, including the recreation guide and is offering complimentary online fitness and art classes, heritage tours and archival trivia. Neighbourhood small grants have been reframed to include projects that lift spirits and ease the impacts of social distancing. Many more services are available online and we encourage you to visit mapleridge.ca for more information.

The City's primary focus remains the health, safety and well-being of staff and citizens. We understand the desire to resume regular activities but it is critical we take the necessary time to ensure the measures we put in place support that focus.