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## Citizen Budget Engagement Tool

As part of Council's ongoing commitment to transparency and engaging with residents, the Town of View Royal is inviting you to provide your input and voice your opinions on the annual budget prior to final adoption of the 2022-2026 Financial Plan using the 2022 Citizen Budget engagement tool (Citizen Budget).

## Benefits/Opportunities of Citizen Budget:

- Increased citizen engagement and improved community relations;
- A better-informed taxpayer who has greater understanding of the municipal budgeting process;
- Enables citizens to provide assistance to municipal officials in making difficult decisions, especially when dealing with limited public resources; and
- Provides citizens an opportunity to learn about local government and to deliberate, debate, and potentially influence the allocation of public resources.

## Launch the Citizen Budget Engagement Tool

The deadline to participate is 4:30pm, Thursday, March 31, 2022. Results collected by Citizen Budget will be considered by Council and shared with the public prior to adoption of View Royal's 2022-2026 Financial Plan.



### For more information:

 Dawn Christenson, Director of Finance 250-708-2270 finance@viewroyal.ca

## **Lawn & Garden Waste Disposal**

For lawn and garden waste clean-up this spring, View Royal residents are encouraged to take advantage of two options for disposing of your yard waste:

- Yard and Garden Waste Transfer Station (formerly Canteen Composting) located at 605
  Canteen Road is open Tuesday-Sunday 8:00am- 5:00pm. For more information, please call
  250-883-8683.
  - <u>Fees</u>: no user fee for residents of View Royal and Esquimalt. Proof of residency is required. Residential decals for vehicle windshields are available at the facility for those residents who use the facility regularly.
- Ellice Recycle located at 524 David Street is open Monday-Friday 7:30am-5:00pm and Saturday-Sunday 8:30am-5:00pm. For more information, please contact the facility by phone at 250-386-4342 or visit www.ellicerecycle.com.
  - Fees: regular depot rates for yard and garden waste apply.

In order to allow for physical distancing, both the Yard and Garden Waste Transfer Station and Ellice Recycle will be limiting vehicle access to only two (2) vehicles in the yard at a time.

### For more information:

## Engineering Department

Website: https://www.viewroyal.ca/EN/main/municipal/lawn-garden-waste.html

Email: engineering@viewroyal.ca

Phone: 250-708-2258



### **CRD Fix a Leak Week**



# It's the perfect week to track down leaks.

Undetected leaks around your home can add up to a lot of household water waste every year.

**Fix a Leak Week**, running March 14-20, is the perfect time to find and repair leaky toilets, faucets and other fixtures.

To help get you started, the CRD is offering FREE leak detection kits that include dye tablets, a faucet aerator, a shower bag to measure flows and a household water efficiency guide.

Lots of FREE leak detection kits still available at Town Hall!

## View Royal Offers Heat Pump Top-Up for CleanBC Rebate Program

Heat pumps are the most efficient and climate-friendly heating and cooling system on the market today. Switching to an electric heat pump provides year-round comfort, better indoor air quality, and produces 97% less greenhouse gas emissions than natural gas/oil heating AND you could save 40-75% on your annual heating bill if converting from oil to an electric heat pump!

In addition to the heat pump rebates available through the CleanBC Better Homes and Home Renovation Rebate Program, the Town of View Royal



offers a \$350 municipal top-up to participants that switch from a fossil fuel (oil, natural gas, or propane) heating system to an electric air source heat pump.

Visit <u>betterhomesbc.ca</u> to learn more about upgrading to a heat pump, rebates, financing and supports available to help you make the switch.

### Get Connected with the Town of View Royal

The Town of View Royal wants you to get connected! Sign up to keep informed about the latest news, local events and municipal updates.

#### **EMAIL NOTIFICATIONS:**

Visit <a href="https://www.viewroyal.ca/EN/meta/notifications.html">https://www.viewroyal.ca/EN/meta/notifications.html</a> to sign up to receive emails about the latest updates. You can choose to receive emails about any/all of the five topics including:

- What's New: includes latest news releases, articles
- <u>Public Notices</u>: includes traffic advisories, development notices, closures
- Events: includes details on upcoming local events
- Newsletters: includes the Monthly e-Updates and View Royal News
- Agendas and Minutes: includes agendas and minutes for Council and Committee of the Whole

### **SOCIAL MEDIA:**

- Town of View Royal Facebook Page: Visit <u>www.facebook.com/townofviewroyal</u> and 'Like' our page to receive posts about latest updates.
- <u>Town of View Royal Twitter Page</u>: Follow <u>@TownofViewRoyal</u> on Twitter to receive tweets about latest updates.







## **Town of View Royal Shows Support for Ukraine**

At the meeting on March 15, 2022, Town Council voted unanimously in favour of a \$10,000 donation from the Town of View Royal to the <u>Canadian Red Cross</u> in support of its aid efforts in Ukraine.

All funds for this donation will come directly from revenue received by the Town from Elements Casino. Council members are challenging other B.C. municipalities to do the same and give to help Ukraine.



## **Upcoming Meetings**

Council Meeting 7:00pm, View Royal Town Hall or Live Webcast
Committee of the Whole Meeting 3:30pm, View Royal Town Hall or Live Webcast
Council Meeting 7:00pm, View Royal Town Hall or Live Webcast

Council and Committee of the Whole meetings are occurring with a limited number of public present in Council Chambers. To reserve a seat, call the Deputy Corporate Officer at 250-479-6800 or email <a href="mailto:info@viewroyal.ca">info@viewroyal.ca</a>. The public are also welcome to attend and/or participate in meetings virtually via <a href="mailto:Live Webcast">Live Webcast</a>.

The meeting duration will vary according to the agenda. Agendas are normally posted on the Friday prior to the meeting on the <u>Agendas, Minutes & Videos</u> page of the website. <u>Click</u> here for more information about Council Meetings.



Looking for more highlights of significant activities of the Town?

**Check out the monthly CAO Update!** 

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