Town Hall Holiday Hours

Please note that Town Hall will be closed for the holidays starting Monday, December 25, 2023.

Town Hall will re-open at 8:30am on Tuesday, January 2, 2024.

Garbage and household food waste collection will not be affected during the closure.

Light Up View Royal 2023

Light Up View Royal is happening again this holiday season to brighten our spirits in neighbourhoods across our town. Town Council wants to recognize some of the best 2023 Christmas light displays and is looking for your nominations!
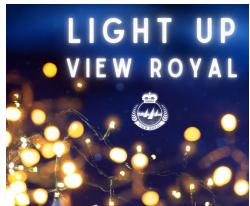
Has a light display at a home or business impressed you? Nominate a View Royal address (it's OK to nominate your own home or business) online or by sending an email to info@viewroyal.ca by Friday, December 22, 2023.

Members of Council will view each nominated address, then between Christmas and New Year's Eve Council elves will deliver a festive treat to the top five winners.

Take a Christmas lights tour around View Royal and check out the nominations for yourself!

Full details for Light Up View Royal 2023

Turn on your lights, View Royal. We love your spirit.

Snow & Ice Clearing Reminders – Sidewalks & Roads

The Town of View Royal's Engineering Department would like to remind residents to be prepared for the snow and inclement weather this winter season.

❄ Property owners must clear snow and ice from sidewalks adjacent to their property (see Streets Bylaw No. 980, 2019). Be sure to arrange for help in advance if you plan to be away from your home or if you require assistance with snow and ice removal. We ask that you kindly help your elderly or handicapped neighbours who may need assistance with snow removal.

❄ The Town will make every effort to keep intersections, high-use bus stops and crosswalks clear of snow and ice.

❄ Roads are cleared in the following order:
1st Priority = Major Roads
2nd Priority = Steep Hills
3rd Priority = Collectors, School and Playground Zones
Lowest Priority = Local Roads

❄ During prolonged snowfall, crews may need to continue maintaining higher priority roads before attempting lower priority ones.

❄ In the event of snowfall, please do not park on the roadway in order to ensure snow-clearing equipment can navigate the streets safely. Owners of vehicles parked on the roadway can be subject to fines and/or towed away at the owner's expense.

❄ When clearing snow in your driveway or private road, be sure to pile the snow to the left hand side (facing your home) so the snow plow does not plow excess snow across your driveway or private road access.

❄ Please note that in the event of a heavy snowstorm or icy road conditions, our garbage collection contractor, Waste Management, may not be able to service certain customers due to safety or access reasons. Waste Management will collect any missed garbage as soon as they can safely do so. Please provide clear and safe access to garbage totes to ensure uninterrupted service.

Contact

- Engineering & Parks Department
  engineering@viewroyal.ca
  250-708-2258

Changes to Residential Curbside Blue Box Recycling Service

A message from CRD Recycling

Effective January 2, 2024, GFL Environmental Incorporated (GFL) will begin delivering the Capital Regional District's (CRD) curbside blue box collection program which provides recycling collection services to 132,000 single family homes in the region.

The CRD issued the six-year contract to GFL in October 2022, 15 months prior to service beginning, to allow for the time necessary to procure, manufacture and deliver the collection vehicles and ensure a smooth transition from the current service provider.

While accepted materials remain the same, some scheduled collection days may change. Residents impacted by route changes will be notified directly.

"We are committed to environmental sustainability and providing efficient waste management solutions," said Russ Smith, Senior Manager, CRD Environmental Resource Management, "This new contract offers increased collection capacity to reliably service the region, including future growth."

The contract includes the requirement to use low or zero-emission vehicles for collection. The 25-vehicle vehicle fleet includes 23 trucks fueled by compressed natural gas (CNG) and two electric-powered trucks.

Residents are advised that glass pick up will not be available between January 2 – February 1 due to labour disruption impacts.

The CRD is paid a fee to oversee the curbside blue box collection program by Recycle BC, a non-profit stewardship organization that represents producers of packaging and paper products in BC. Residents are not charged for this service. The BC Recycling Regulation requires producers of packaging and paper products in BC to be responsible for the recycling costs associated with the material, not residential taxpayers.

Residents in the region who receive curbside blue box collection are advised to visit www.crd.bc.ca/bluebox to access their curbside collection schedule and download the Recycling CRD app. Apart from Christmas and New Years days, collection proceeds as usual on holidays.

Contact

- CRD Recycling
  250-360-3030
  Email

Winter Driving

Use of winter tires for improved driving safety is highly recommended. Winter tires are mandatory for travelling on the Trans-Canada Highway over the Malahat. For more information on winter driving, please visit:

- www.ShiftIntoWinter.ca
- www.DriveBC.ca

Upcoming Meetings

January 9, 2024	**Committee of the Whole Meeting** 3:30pm, View Royal Town Hall or Live Webcast
January 16, 2024	**Council Meeting** 7:00pm, View Royal Town Hall or Live Webcast

Meetings are held in person in Council Chambers as well as virtually via Live Webcast.

The meeting duration will vary according to the agenda. Agendas are normally posted on the Friday prior to the meeting on the Agendas, Minutes & Videos page of the website.

For information, visit Council Meetings.

Looking for more highlights of significant activities of the Town?

Check out the monthly CAO Update!

Dec 12, 2023 - CAO Update