



In Your Neighbourhood

Cannabis Store City Approval Process

At their November 8 meeting, Council will review a [staff report](#) providing information about the provincial cannabis retail store licensing process. The report makes recommendations for an approval process including notification to owners and occupiers of properties within 100 metres of a proposed retail location.

Great Neighbourhood Grants

The fall neighbourhood matching grant program closed with no applications received from North Park during this intake period. The City received 27 grant applications which are now being reviewed and recommendations will be submitted to Council for approval prior to the end of December.

Strengthening Community Participation

A neighbourhood association workshop was held at City Hall on October 13 from 10am to 3pm. The workshop explored understanding the fundamental role of each neighbourhood association, volunteer recruitment, sustaining a strong board and surveying neighbourhoods. Representatives from eight neighbourhoods attended the workshop. Materials from the workshop will be circulated to all neighbourhood associations in coming weeks.

Fall Leaf Pickup

The City's fall leaf cleanup will be coming through North Park on December 2. Get your bagged or loose leaves out on the boulevard by that date and they will be removed. There are other options and suggestions for recycling your leaves that you can find on the related City [webpage](#).

Election Results

Election polls were busy on October 20 as large numbers of voters turned out to vote. The results were as follows.

For the community question on exploring amalgamation with Saanich. Note that Saanich also supported this question affirmatively.

Citizens Assembly on Amalgamation Question	Elector Organization	Total
YES		18,343
NO		9,253



November 2018 Update

North Park

For Mayor:

Candidate	Elector Organization	Total
Lisa HELPS		12,642
Stephen HAMMOND	NewCouncil.ca	8,717
Michael GEOGHEGAN		4,335
Bruce McGUIGAN		2,377
Rob DUNCAN		527
Alexander SCHMID		231
Saul ANDERSEN		219
Krzysztof ZMUDA		148
David Arthur JOHNSTON		119
RYMO		71

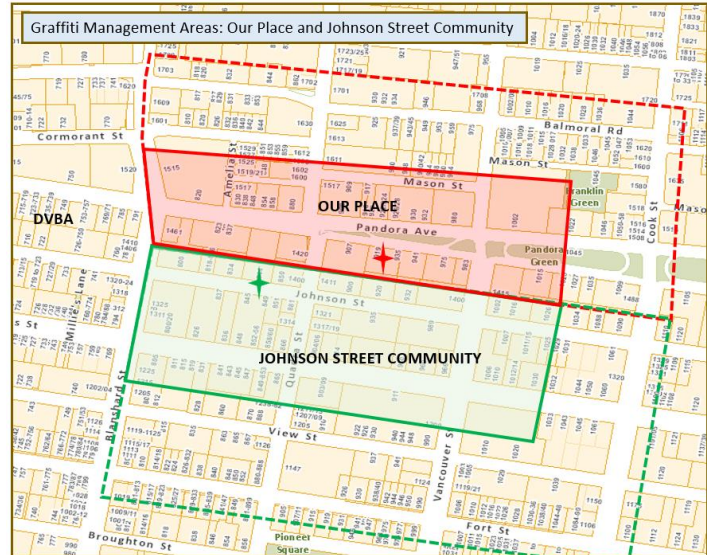
For Council:

Candidate	Elector Organization	Total
Ben ISITT		14,205
Jeremy LOVEDAY		13,239
Laurel COLLINS	Together Victoria	12,842
Geoff YOUNG		12,184
Sarah POTTS	Together Victoria	11,977
Charlayne THORNTON-JOE		10,678
Sharmarke DUBOW	Together Victoria	10,590
Marianne ALTO		10,245
Stephen ANDREW	NewCouncil.ca	9,098
Pam MADOFF		9,067
Grace LORE		8,765
Andrew REEVE	NewCouncil.ca	8,246
Randie JOHAL	NewCouncil.ca	7,748
Gary ALBERTS	NewCouncil.ca	7,503
Marg GARDINER		7,041
Anna KING		5,454
Rose HENRY		4,076
Jordan REICHERT		3,491
Darlene ARCHIBALD		3,083
Sean LEITENBERG		3,059
Edison KAHAKAUWILA		1,956
Ted SMITH		1,898
Steve FILIPOVIC		1,595
Riga GODRON		1,567
Doug STEWART		1,394
James HARASYMOW		1,362
Jesse JIMENEZ		1,028
William TATE		758
Delmar MARTAY		238

Graffiti Removal

The City is working with Our Place Society to better remove graffiti from public and private spaces on the around their location. The program will support one transitional worker for four hours each week. It will extend out from the core area into south North Park as time allows. The Johnson Street has commenced a similar program in the adjacent Downtown neighbourhood area.

Residents who would like to participate in clean neighbourhood initiatives can contact their neighbourhood staff liaison.



Storage for Homeless' Belongings

At their October 4 meeting, Council approved a [report](#) and Council member motion proposing to release funds set aside for Our Place Society to build and manage an onsite storage space for the belongings of those experiencing homelessness.

Centennial Square Engagement

In September, a stakeholder working group participated in an “Ideas Jam” workshop and open house event for improving Centennial Square. Common themes identified by the community through early engagement in July included how to make the Square feel more welcoming and safe, family friendly, and a desire to see more year-round activity and programming.

Written feedback, questions and ideas were accepted until November 1st. The feedback will inform refined concept options and programming recommendations that will be shared with the community in late 2018. A draft action plan for Centennial Square will be considered by Council in early 2019.

For more information, visit the project webpage www.victoria.ca/CentennialSquare



Council Meetings

Thursday, November 1, 2018 was the [inaugural meeting](#) for the new Council. Committee of the Whole meets November 8, 15 and 22 at 9am. Council meets on November 8 and 22 beginning at 6:30pm. Residents can attend both meetings or watch them [here](#).