

#### **NORTH PARK**

### **Missing Middle Housing**

On June 9, Council approved moving forward with the Missing Middle Housing initiative and directed staff to hold a public information session on July 12. The corresponding bylaw will be introduced on July 14 and a public hearing will be scheduled for August 4. Council authorized up to \$25,000 from the contingency budget to ensure that all Victoria residents are directly notified about the process.



The Missing Middle Housing initiative proposes zoning to allow infill housing and a related bonus density scheme to support mobility and urban forest objectives. It also provided for staff delegation of approval for infill housing that does not require zoning variances and meets related design guidelines.

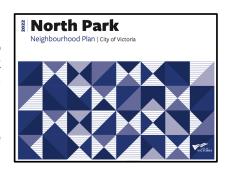
### **Equity Framework**

On June 9, Council endorsed an Equity Framework for the City. Development of the framework was a direction established through the Declaration of Principles and Values in the 2019-2022 Strategic Plan. It considers four dimensions of equity (structural, procedural, distributional and intergenerational) and outlines the following four pillars to focus the effort: capacity building, relationship building, evidence-based decision making and dismantling systemic inequities. You can view the draft Equity Framework here.

## North Park Neighbourhood Plan

City Council received the staff report and approved moving forward with plans to hold a public hearing for the Hillside Quadra, Fernwood and North Park neighbourhood plans, design guidelines and associated Official Community Plan amendments. The plans can be viewed on the <u>project website</u>.

Community engagement on the plans began in 2020 and the draft neighbourhood plans were initially introduced to <u>Committee of the Whole on May 5</u> and were discussed again at the <u>May 19 Council meeting</u>.



## **Neighborhood Boundaries Report**

Also on June 9, Council approved staff recommendations in a follow up report on consultation regarding the modification of neighbourhood boundaries. The report relates to Downtown, Harris Green, Fairfield, Oaklands and Jubilee neighbourhoods. There are no changes for the North Park neighbourhood boundaries.

## **Property Taxes**

It's that time for property owners.... Property taxes are due on July 4 and can be paid online directly through an etransfer (no credit cards). You can also mail or drop off a cheque at City Hall. Note that Home Owner Grant applications are now processed through the Province's online system and no longer accepted at City Hall.





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### **Victoria's Growing Cycling Network**

The city is putting the finishing touches on new All Ages and Abilities (AAA) cycling corridors on Kings Road, Haultain Street and Richardson Street, and in the Oaklands, Fernwood and North Park neighbourhoods. Protected bike lanes have also just been installed on Government Street, between Pandora Avenue and Gorge Road.

As the cycling network expands in both size and popularity, the City is partnering with the CRD this summer on the "Way to Go" campaign that features free guided community bike rides, programming and prizes for elementary schools, and educational resources. To sign up for free, guided bike rides and for tips on sharing neighbourhood bikeways and multi-use pathways, visit victoria.ca/WayToGo.



RECONCILIATION

DIALOGUES

### **Canada Day**

Victoria Canada Day 2022 will be held at Ship Point on the Inner Harbour on Friday, July 1st. It will begin with a Lekwungen canoe event before family with live music and performances on the main stage starting at 4pm. Many other activities are planned during the afternoon and evening and fireworks will conclude the day. For more information, go to canadadayvictoria.ca.

## **Reconciliation Dialogues**

The next Victoria Reconciliation Dialogue is coming up in July. This discussion will feature members of the Songhees Nation, Esquimalt Nation and City staff who have worked together on the Government Street Refresh project to explore how to retain and celebrate the city's colonial-built heritage at the same time as recognizing and presenting Lekwungen culture and land practices.

The session will be held Monday, July 11 from 6 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. (Doors open at 5:30 p.m.) at the Victoria Conference Centre, Carson Hall. Pre-register now.

# CityVibe Guide to Summer Fun

After a two-year hiatus, CityVibe is back with everything you need to know to have a great summer in Victoria. The guide showcases close to 40 festivals and outdoor events and more than 100 free outdoor music concerts and activities at various spots downto



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COUNCIL MEETINGS	
Committee of the Whole (COTW) 9:00 am, Council follows	Council Meeting 6:30 pm
June 9, 16, 23, 30	June 9, 16



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