

Parksville in Top Five BC Business Best Cities

The City of Parksville is in great company and pleased to be in the top five position in the BC Business magazine's 2022 list of BC's most resilient cities. The City of Parksville is in good company with communities such as Langford, New Westminster, Comox, and Kelowna. The annual ranking of fifty BC communities examines ten indicators such as social, economic resilience, population growth, resident sense of belonging, and environmental aspects. In 2020, Parksville was in fifteenth position and in 2021 placed second.

Once again, Vancouver Island is the province's top-performing region based on strong population growth, stable household finances, booming development industry, low residential GHG emissions and solid job and unemployment numbers.

Quote from Parksville Mayor Ed Mayne:

"This recognition confirms Council's decision to focus on the five priority objectives established at the Mayor's Roundtable in 2019. Many factors contribute to Parksville's successful ranking such as increased rental inventory for all ages and abilities; low municipal debt; substantial accumulated surplus; environmental initiatives; expedited building permit approvals; infrastructure renewal; and a strong desire to make the changes necessary to grow our economy.

We continue to welcome new families and retirees to our community and provide such services and amenities as the new daycare and family facility in the Parksville Community Centre, continued planning for the proposed aquatic and recreation centre, and more affordable housing. All of which will contribute to a strong and diverse Parksville community."

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