

Council to Discuss Next Steps for Aquatic and Recreation Centre Project

On February 16 at 1 pm in the Forum, Parksville Council will meet as Committee of the Whole (COTW) to discuss the proposed Parksville Aquatic and Recreation Centre project. A COTW meeting provides a less formal opportunity for Council to consider and discuss options for the project.

At this meeting, Council will consider next steps such as project scope, potential sites and siting criteria, budget, timelines, roles of the Regional District of Nanaimo and other levels of government, and future public engagement and consultation. Council will also consider if the project planning should proceed at this time, be suspended for a period, or cancelled and removed from the workplan.

In December, Council directed staff to arrange this COTW before adding funds to the 2022 budget.

HOW TO BE INVOLVED

Residents are encouraged to get involved; here are some of the options:

- Watch the COTW in the Forum, or the meeting will be webstreamed live from the City's website and archived for viewing at another time. (For in-person attendance at COTW, please see notes below).
- Comments and questions may be emailed at any time to council@parksville.ca and will form part of the public record. Comments specific to the COTW should be submitted by 4 pm, February 15.
- [Let's Talk Parksville](#) provides extensive background, public engagement results to date, staff reports, and key project documents.
- Continue to provide comments, share ideas or ask questions on [Let's Talk Parksville](#). Input will form part of the public record and will be provided to Council for consideration throughout the project phases.

IN-PERSON ATTENDANCE AT COUNCIL MEETINGS

Aligned with PHO restrictions, the maximum number of residents to be accommodated in the Parksville Civic and Technology Centre for a Council meeting is forty with ten spaces allocated to Council and support staff. For everyone's safety, the following protocols are in place:

- Please avoid attending in-person, unless fully vaccinated.
- Appropriately worn face coverings/masks are mandatory at all times while in the building.
- You must remain seated when in attendance.
- Stay home if sick or not feeling well.

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