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Parksville OCP - Many Opportunities to Participate

Parksville, BC — During the next two months, the City of Parksville is providing many ways that the citizens of Parksville can participate in the OCP review. As the OCP update progresses, there will be many more opportunities for participation at each stage of the review.

• For the next six weeks, starting the week of November 8, as part of the information gathering for the OCP review, we will post a weekly question on the City's OCP website. The questions will mirror the questions posed to residents by the OCP consultant, H B Lanarc, in the *Create Our Future* workshops. Your comments will be passed along to the consultant and will be provided anonymously on the website. Just for taking your time to provide your thoughts on the questions, your name will be entered into a weekly draw for a Parksville gift certificate.

The question for the week of November 8... tell us your most-loved Parksville places!

- The City has added another *Create Your Future* workshop at 7 pm on Tuesday, November 23 to better accommodate residents who are juggling work schedules. We hope that this start time will appeal to families with young children and/or those residents who are working. To register, contact 250 954-3066 or parksville.ca.
- It's not too late to participate in this first series of workshops. In addition to the November 23 date, there are two *Create Your Future* workshops on November 8 at 3-5 pm and 5-7 pm. To register, contact 250 954-3066 or parksville.ca.
- Two youth engagement forums are scheduled for November 24 and November 27. The OCP consultant is working with the three high schools in School District 69 and the Youth Action Committee of the Parksville Qualicum Community Foundation, (called *The Hand*) to explore the issues that are most important to Parksville's young generation. In these forums, youth participants will describe what a youth-friendly community would look like in ten years time.
- Following completion of this first series of workshops, all workbook comments will be posted on the OCP website at www.parksville.ca/ocp.
- The City is providing residents with the opportunity to have information about the OCP review delivered directly to their inboxes. Sign up online or by emailing communications@parksville.ca

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