

Parksville Council to Host Community Safety Town Hall

Parksville Council wishes to address the subject of community and public safety and would like to hear from residents at a Council hosted town hall meeting on Monday, March 23. Community safety is one of Council's strategic priorities. The proposed format for the town hall will provide our residents with the opportunity to present ideas, voice concerns or opinions and most importantly, provide suggestions and strategies related to public safety in Parksville.

The town hall will be moderated by former mayor, Chris Burger. Questions from residents should be submitted in writing and we encourage residents to submit questions in advance of the town hall, by email to <u>info@parksville.ca</u> or dropped off at the administration department by 3 pm on March 23. As well, there will be an opportunity at the town hall to provide questions in writing.

The City has extended an invitation to a number of elected officials and government staff experts to participate in a panel and speak on behalf of their organizations in response to questions from the public. We expect the panel of guests will bring valuable resources and provide clarification on topics specific to their area of expertise. Once we have confirmed the panel participants, the agenda will be made available in advance of the town hall.

WHO	Residents of Parksville
WHAT	Town Hall Council Meeting
WHEN	Monday, March 23 from 7 pm to 9 pm
WHERE	Parksville Community Centre, 132 Jensen Avenue East
WHY	Encourage participation and engage the community in discussion

QUOTE:

"Public safety is an important priority for Council and we acknowledge everyone needs to play a role in keeping our community safe. We look forward to hearing solutions and suggestions from our residents which will assist us to determine what local government can do to address the issue of community and public safety."

Mayor Ed Mayne, City of Parksville

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