



Inlet Park is open for all to enjoy

Phase 2 of the Inlet Park Redevelopment Project is now complete

Inlet Park, located at 3024 Murray Street, has been transformed into a versatile recreation facility and community hub where everyone is welcome. It was re-opened to the public in late March after closing in December 2022 for the beginning of work on the Inlet Park Redevelopment Project.

The once-gravel field is now a high-quality, all-weather, artificial turf surface. Additional completed sporting improvements include:

- three smaller "Super 8" soccer pitches with wide end zones and sidelines suitable for younger players;
- FIFA-regulation field for adult soccer games;
- two baseball and softball diamonds; and
- batting cages.

The park also features:

- new children's playground (tot lot) and natural play area;
- raised boardwalk feature for viewing of park trees;
- restoration planting and landscaping, including more than 350 trees and more than 6,000 shrubs and understory plantings; and
- additional parking spaces and infrastructure for future electric vehicle (EV) charging stations.

Phases 1 and 2 have been funded in part by grants from the federal and provincial governments through the joint Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program.

The third and final phase of the project will involve the construction of a new fieldhouse facility with public washrooms. The final design will be completed in the fall of 2024, and we anticipate construction will begin in 2025. In the meantime, a temporary, portable washroom facility is available seven days a week from 8am to 10pm.



► We thank the public for their patience during construction. Visit portmoody.ca/inletpark to learn more about the project.

New child care facility coming to College Park/Seaview



A new child care facility with 37 licensed spaces is under construction in Westhill Park (203 Westhill Place). The Westhill Child Care Centre, to be located on the second floor of the existing Westhill Centre building, will improve access to child care spaces for families in Port Moody's College Park and Seaview neighbourhoods.

The Westhill Child Care Centre will have licensed spaces for up to 12 infants/toddlers and up to 25 spaces for children aged three to five years. An area north of the building's entrance ramp will be converted into a dedicated outdoor playground space. We anticipate the new child care facility will be completed by September 2024. YMCA will operate the facility and manage applications from interested families.

This project, which includes a roof membrane replacement for the Westhill Centre building in addition to the construction of the child care facility, has a budget of approximately \$2.9 million. This was made possible, in part, through nearly \$1.5 million from the ChildCareBC New Spaces Fund. The fund is jointly supported by provincial investments and federal funding under the 2021-2022 to 2025-2026 Canada-British Columbia Canada-wide Early Learning and Child Care (ELCC) Agreement.

The Westhill Centre building also houses public washrooms along with the Westhill Pool office and public change rooms. To maximize construction efficiencies and minimize cost, the City has simultaneously been installing a new concrete walkway with stairs and an accessible ramp south of the building's entrance ramp to provide public access from the parking lot to the pool. And the pool's disinfection system has been converted from a gas chlorine system to a liquid chlorine system, which will increase safety for pool users and City staff.

This project will transform the top floor of Westhill Centre into a child care facility. It also includes a new ramp and stairs for improved pool access, and a new pool disinfection system. ►





Robert Simons receives Freedom of the City award

Port Moody City Council presented Robert Simons with the prestigious Freedom of the City award on Wednesday, April 17, 2024. Simons is the president of the board of directors for both the Port Moody Arts Centre and the Port Moody Foundation. He has made significant contributions to our community over many years. Highlights include:

- serving multi-year terms on the City's Community Care Committee, Heritage Commission, and Economic Development and Tourism Committee;
- serving as president of the Port Moody Heritage Society (POMO Museum);
- serving as a provincial appointee to the Port Moody Police Board from 2009 to 2015;
- working to secure federal funding for celebrations related to Port Moody's 100th anniversary in 2013; and
- supporting Port Moody's Canada 150 Mosaic Mural project in 2017.

The Freedom of the City award, the highest honour that Port Moody can give, acknowledges and celebrates an individual's or group's significant contributions to civic life in Port Moody.

Learn about the impact of provincial housing legislation on Port Moody

The Province has recently introduced new legislation that changes the local government land use planning framework with the goal of increasing B.C.'s housing supply. As required under the legislation, the City of Port Moody will update its Zoning Bylaw and Official Community Plan to incorporate changes related to small-scale, multi-unit housing and Transit-Oriented Development Areas, and undertake additional work such as drafting a bylaw for a new development finance tool.

Visit portmoody.ca/provhousinglegislation for links to provincial resources that provide detailed information about changes to the planning framework, and to learn about the steps Port Moody will take to comply with the provincial legislation.

As the B.C. government's new housing initiatives and related legislation will impact Port Moody's Official Community Plan, the City has made the difficult decision to pause public engagement on Port Moody 2050, our process to gather public input and draft updates to the OCP (visit engage.portmoody.ca to learn about engagement conducted to date). We anticipate that public engagement will resume in early 2025, when residents and business owners/operators will have a chance to review and share their thoughts on a draft Official Community Plan that incorporates the new provincial legislation and policies introduced in December 2023.

Help us improve accessibility

To improve accessibility, we are asking for feedback on the City of Port Moody's programs, services, and facilities. If you have experienced or witnessed a barrier that you would like to share with the City of Port Moody, we welcome your feedback.

Visit portmoody.ca/accessibility to submit your accessibility feedback through our online form. If you prefer, you can send your feedback via email to accessibility@portmoody.ca or by mail to Accessibility Committee, City of Port Moody, 100 Newport Drive, Port Moody, B.C., V3H 5C3. To request a different way to provide feedback, please contact the City by email, mail, or call 604.469.4500 and we will work with you to accommodate your preferred way to submit feedback.



Get a kids' summer rec pass for only \$25

Help keep kids busy and active while school's out with a \$25 summer drop-in recreation pass for children and youth of any age up to and including 18 years old.

For only \$25, the pass provides unlimited access to all drop-in activities at City of Port Moody facilities from June 17 to September 1, 2024. Passes will be available for purchase at the Port Moody Recreation Complex (300 Ioco Road) only starting June 13. The pass holder must be present at the time of purchase to have their photo taken.

Pass holders will have unlimited access to all of our drop-in activities including:

- swimming at Rocky Point and Westhill pools;
- walking track; and
- drop-in preschool, children, and youth activities (e.g. jungle gym, family time, youth gym).

Depending on age, youth will also have access to:

- hot tub and steam room (full access for ages 16+; ages 13–15 have access when accompanied by an adult 19+); and
- drop-in fitness classes and the weight room (full access to drop-in fitness classes for ages 13–18; full access to the weight room for ages 16–18; full access to the weight room for ages 13–15 after completing a weight room orientation).

Visit portmoody.ca/summerpass for more information.



Come Play in our Parks this summer!

Are you ready for summer fun? Join staff from the City's Recreation Division for sports, crafts, games and more in two Port Moody parks between July 2 and August 23, 2024. Play in our Parks will feature activities such as basketball, bocce, badminton, arts and crafts, bubbles, and face painting.

Staff will be onsite at Westhill Park (203 Westhill Place) or North Shore Community Park (1400 Davide Avenue) on weekdays (excluding statutory holidays) from 9:30am to 2:30pm according to the following schedule:

Date:	Location:
July 2-5	Westhill
July 8-12	Westhill
July 15-19	North Shore
July 22-26	North Shore
July 29-August 2	Westhill
August 6-8	Westhill
August 12-16	North Shore
August 19-23	North Shore

All Play in our Parks activities are free, and children and adults of all ages are welcome. We value your feedback and suggestions for activities and adaptations.

As programming may be affected by weather or air quality, please check portmoody.ca/play or the City's social media channels before heading to the park in case of a cancellation. Please note that City staff are not responsible for supervising children. Parents and guardians are responsible for all children in their care who participate in Play in our Parks.



Free!



Hit the beach and the books this summer with the Library's summer reading clubs!

Join the Adult or Teen Summer Reading Club by picking up a boardgame at the Port Moody Public Library (100 Newport Drive) – then beat the heat by escaping into new books for the chance to win fantastic prizes.

Kids can become a member of the "World of Curiosity," a whimsical reading club designed to inspire their minds all summer long. This free, self-directed program encourages kids to read for 15 minutes a day for 50 days to receive a gold reading medal in a special ceremony.

Registration for reading clubs begins June 1. Looking for more activities? Explorers of all ages can enjoy free library programs like coding, singing, photography, and more! Check out our program and event calendar at portmoodylibrary.ca.



Port Moody Firefighters Pancake Breakfast

June 29 and 30 from 8:30am–noon
Inlet Centre Fire Hall
150 Newport Drive

Join your friends and neighbours over the Canada Day long weekend to eat pancakes and raise funds for causes supported by the Port Moody Firefighters Charitable Society.

[@portmoodyfirerescue](https://www.portmoodyfirerescue.ca)



Canada Day

June 30 and July 1
Rocky Point Park
2800 Block Murray Street

See Trooper kick off the Canada Day celebrations on June 30 starting at 8:30pm at the Golden Spike Days Festival. On July 1, join Mayor and Council for a special ceremony and a free cookie at 1pm, and stop by Pop-Up City Hall between 11am and 5pm. Do you know a child who'd like to be Mayor for a Day? Pick up an application form at Pop-Up City Hall. portmoody.ca/canadaday



Car-Free Day

August 18 from 12–5pm
St. Johns Street between Queens and Moody

Port Moody's Car-Free Day is back! Join us for a street celebration filled with local businesses, musicians, green transportation displays, delicious food, and family-friendly activities. Members of the public are encouraged to leave their car at home, and walk, bike, or take public transit to the celebration.

portmoody.ca/carfreeday

City events



Apply to be a 2024 Car-Free Day vendor

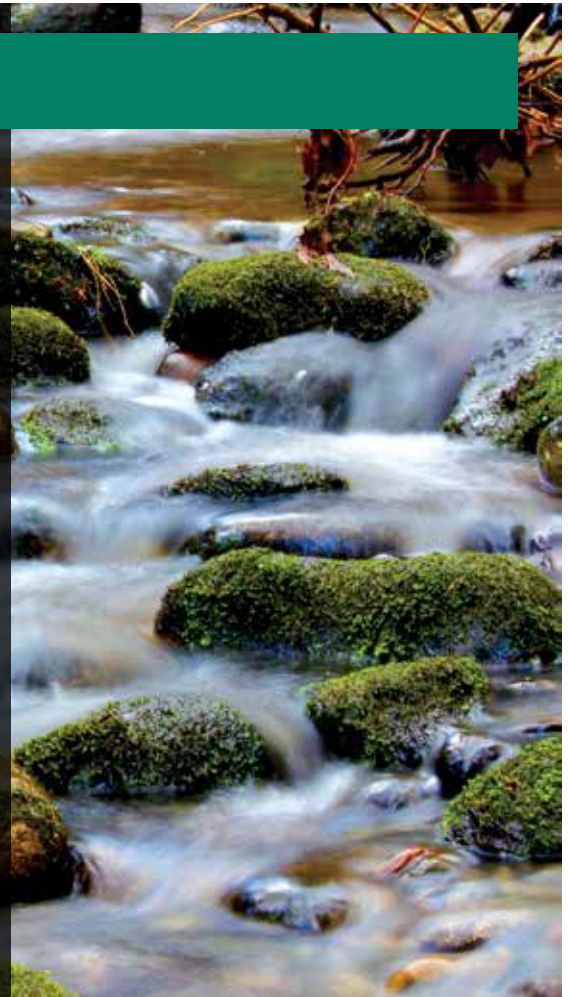
One of the goals of Car-Free Day is to celebrate and show support for the Port Moody business community. If you're a local business looking to participate in this fun street party on August 18, 2024, find event details, costs, and an application form at portmoody.ca/carfreeday. Apply by Monday, June 17, 2024 to showcase your organization to thousands of Car-Free Day attendees. Vendors must hold a valid 2024 business license issued by the City of Port Moody.

Help keep our streams healthy!

Port Moody has almost 80 kilometres of watercourses that provide important ecosystem services such as supporting biodiversity, stormwater management, flood protection, maintaining water quality, and reducing the urban heat island effect in warmer months. You can help keep our streams healthy! The following tips will help you reduce pollutants around your home and garden:

- do not dump anything directly into a stream or storm sewer – the Stream and Drainage System Protection Bylaw prohibits discharge into streams and storm sewers;
- avoid the use of weed killers and other pesticides – many that are legally allowed for sale cannot be used on residential and City lands in Port Moody under our Pesticide Use Control Bylaw;
- fix oil and transmission leaks on your vehicle;
- wash your car at a car wash, or park on grassy or gravel surfaces and use minimal soap; and
- sweep your driveways and walkways instead of using a hose.

For more tips and information about streams, visit portmoody.ca/environment.



A sign from Metro Vancouver titled "Stage 1 Water Restrictions" for the period "MAY 1 TO OCTOBER 15". It features a circular icon of a lawn. Below the icon, it says "LAWN WATERING" and lists the restrictions: "Even addresses: Saturday mornings" and "Odd addresses: Sunday mornings".

Be water wise – lawn watering restrictions in effect

Whether it comes from a tap or a hose, it's all drinking water – and we are all responsible for using the region's drinking water wisely. Watering restrictions are in effect from May 1 through October 15, 2024. Following the restrictions for outdoor water use helps to conserve water for drinking, food production, and other important uses such as cooking and cleaning.

Watering restrictions are currently at Stage 1, which means you are required to limit lawn watering to one day per week (Saturdays for even-numbered addresses or Sundays for odd-numbered addresses). Visit portmoody.ca or metrovancover.org for more information, including permitted times of day for watering. Using less water can help us avoid a move to Stage 2 watering restrictions, which would introduce a ban on lawn watering.

Drinking water is a shared resource in our region and is managed by Metro Vancouver under their Drinking Water Conservation Plan. In the City of Port Moody, this plan is enforced through our Water Conservation Plan Bylaw No. 3346. All residents should conserve water and follow all watering restrictions to avoid fines. Visit welovewater.ca for tips on caring for your lawn and conserving water outdoors.

You can be water wise by choosing garden plants that love dry heat like tomatoes, basil, beans, melon, eggplant, and watering vegetable gardens with water saved in a rain barrel instead of treated drinking water.



Property taxes are due – pay on time to avoid a penalty

Property taxes are due July 2, 2024. Be sure to mark your calendar, as unpaid property taxes will be subject to a five per cent penalty after July 2 and a second five per cent penalty after September 16. Penalties apply to all outstanding amounts, even unclaimed home-owner grants.

Property owners typically receive tax notices in the mail or by email through MyPortMoody e-billing by the end of May. If you have not received your bill by June 1, please contact us at 604.469.4503 or email tax@portmoody.ca.

Visit portmoody.ca/taxes to find more information including ways to pay. Register with MyPortMoody to receive paperless tax notices as soon as they're available, review your property tax information, and view historical bills. Make sure you have your email address, account information number, and access code ready, which you can find on any of your past bills. It only takes a few minutes to get set up to access your tax information online.



Focus on the road – not on your phone

Distracted driving contributes to a quarter of all collisions and results in more than 75 fatalities on B.C. roadways each year. According to ICBC, you're 3.6 times more likely to crash if you're using your hand-held phone. Even when stopped, checking an electronic device affects your focus. Let's all work together to make our roads safer. If you're heading out in your car, Port Moody Police encourage you to plan your trip ahead of time and put your cell phone away before you take the wheel. Keep your eyes on the road to avoid fines that start at \$368.

News and safety tips from Port Moody Fire Rescue

Be water smart this summer!

More than 400 Canadians die in preventable water-related incidents each year. Be water smart this summer so you and your family members can stay safe. If you're supervising kids, stay close – within arms' reach – and stay focused. Learn about the risks by location and activity, and how to reduce the chance of an incident, at watersmartparents.ca.

Get a free FireSmart Property Assessment

Wildfires are a reality in our region during the warmer months. Take action on your property to reduce wildfire risks – apply for a FireSmart property assessment conducted by a Wildfire Mitigation Specialist. With your active participation, this professional assessment will identify the strengths and weak links in your property's defenses and recommend actions that can reduce risks. Find out how to apply at portmoody.ca/firerescue.

Get a free home safety inspection

Your home should be a haven, not a hazard. If you're a Port Moody resident, apply to Port Moody Fire Rescue for a free home safety inspection. A firefighter will check for safety issues, make sure your smoke alarms are working properly, and provide recommendations for safety improvements. Apply today at portmoody.ca/firerescue.



Community Events



Council meetings

Council meets on most Tuesday evenings, except in August and December. Find agendas online, at City Hall and the Library. Visit portmoody.ca/councilmeetings for more information. We also stream Council meetings live at portmoody.ca/watchlive



Community Snapshot: Port Moody staff provided ready-to-plant trees at no cost to Port Moody residents as part of our new Take Root program. Residents picked up over 350 trees at three in-person events. Planting these trees will help improve our city's tree canopy.

PoMoArts Exhibitions

Daily until July 8
PoMoArts Gallery
2425 St. Johns Street

Explore the works of Leanne M. Christie ("Even If I Wasn't Here"), Pat Calihou ("Connecting with Our Culture Through the Places We Sit"), Kosar Movahedi ("Fall Flat"), and Youth Pride Exhibition artists ("True Colours").
pomoarts.ca

Rotary Shred-a-thon

June 1 from 9am-3pm
Port Moody City Hall
100 Newport Drive

The Rotary Club of Port Moody is holding their annual SHRED-A-THON. Bring your documents and paperwork for secure, onsite shredding by donation to the Rotary Club of Port Moody.
portmoodyrotary.ca

Art Shuffle Port Moody

June 14 from 4-9pm
Various locations around town
This is a one-night, self-directed walk to experience the creative process in action and the works of local artists. pomoshuffle.ca

In the Presence of Ancestors House Post Blessing Ceremony

June 22 starting at 5pm
Rocky Point Park
2800 block Murray Street

In the Presence of Ancestors, led by artistic director Tasha Faye Evans, is a project that honors the presence of the original caretakers and neighbors of the Coast Salish lands and waters in and around the place we now call Port Moody. This project will culminate with the raising of five house posts from Coast Salish Nations along Port Moody's Shoreline Trail. On June 22, three of five house posts (xʷməθkʷəy̓əm, Sḵwx̱wú7mesh Úxwumíxw, q̓íçəy) will be blessed in public ceremony.
portmoody.ca/ancestors

Golden Spike Days Festival

June 29-July 1
Rocky Point Park
Back for its 47th year, don't miss this family-friendly festival with entertainment, food, special events, and fun-filled activities for all ages. goldenspike.ca

Ribfest

July 19-21 from 11am-9pm
Rocky Point Park
2800 block Murray Street
Head to the park for this annual three-day community event that features food vendors, live music, and family-friendly activities.
portmoodyribfest.ca

Summer Sundays concerts

Sundays in July and August (except Jul 21) starting at 2pm
Rocky Point Park
2800 block Murray Street
Enjoy free outdoor concerts with a diverse mix of music all summer long.
summersundays.ca

Port Moody Summer Farmer's Market

Every Wed through Oct 4 from 3-7pm
Recreation Complex
300 loco Road
Find local B.C. produce, artisan crafts, and delicious baked goods. makebakegrow.com

The City of Port Moody publishes the Focus newsletter twice a year (spring/summer and fall/winter editions). It is distributed to households and businesses in Port Moody. You can also pick one up at any City facility or download it at portmoody.ca.

We welcome your feedback!

Email communications@portmoody.ca.

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City Hall	604.469.4500
Mayor & Council	604.469.4501
City Manager	604.469.4521
Building	604.469.4534
Bylaws & Licensing	604.469.4541
Engineering	604.469.4618
Environment	604.469.4547
Fire Rescue	604.469.7795
Kyle Centre	604.469.4561
Legislative Svcs	604.469.4603
Library	604.469.4575
Non-emergency after-hours for public works	604.469.4574
Planning & Dev	604.469.4540
Police	604.461.3456
Public Works	604.469.4574
Recreation	604.469.4556
Taxes & Utilities	604.469.4503

City Hall/Library/Inlet Theatre/Galleria

100 Newport Drive
Port Moody, B.C. V3H 5C3

Port Moody Recreation Complex

300 loco Road V3H 2V7

Kyle Recreation Centre

125 Kyle Street V3H 2N6

Inlet Centre Fire Hall

150 Newport Drive V3H 5C3

Port Moody Works Yard

3250 Murray Street V3H 1X8

Public Safety Building (Police)

3051 St. Johns Street V3H 2C4

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