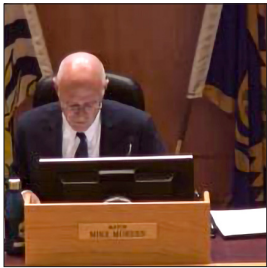


Maple Ridge THIS WEEK

September 1-15, 2019

Administration

Council's Update on the Strategic Plan

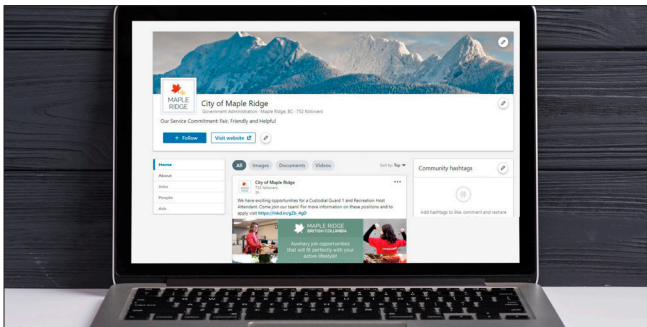


On Tuesday, September 10, Mayor Morden delivered Council's quarterly update on the progress of the Strategic Plan. To view the video of this presentation go to:

<http://media.mapleridge.ca/Mediasite/Play/bbd979aca2df4dfab0d552cf617b4e651d?catalog=5edbe186-9ec4-4ad9-ab81-cdcfe0767b63>

Follow Us on Linked In

We invite you to follow us on Linked-In where you will find job postings, news on city initiatives, videos and more. Just go to Linked-In and search **City of Maple Ridge**. Click on the **"Follow Us"** button at the top and stay up to date with the latest news.



Public Works & Development Services

Strategic Transportation Plan

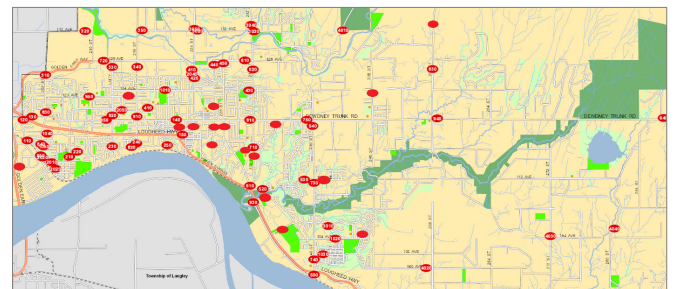
In preparation for updating the Strategic Transportation Plan (STP) in 2020, engineering staff will be conducting traffic counts throughout Maple Ridge.

Work is scheduled to begin in September 2019 and complete in April 2020. Traffic counters will be placed at 82 different locations throughout the city.

The work will consist of tube counters being installed on a weekly basis to count traffic data throughout the week, and then be taken down. Work will start in the western segment of the city and proceed east.

The map below illustrates the count locations. The tube counts will provide the City with the most accurate information regarding traffic patterns throughout Maple Ridge.

This data will help refresh the Strategic Transportation Plan with the latest traffic data, help future transportation priorities, and successfully manage the city's transportation infrastructure. Manager, Maria Guerra, at 604-467-7356.



Council Meetings and Agendas

Council is committed to conducting business in a manner that permits public participation at every opportunity. The public is invited to sit in on any of the following meetings of Council.

Dates of meetings for 2019 are listed on the 2019 Meeting Schedule and the 2019 Council Yearly Meeting Calendar.

<http://www.mapleridge.ca/DocumentCenter/View/21114/2019-Council-Yearly-Calendar>

Upcoming Meetings & Agendas

September 17, 2019 - Committee of the Whole Meeting
September 17, 2019 - Council Workshop
September 17, 2019 - Audit and Finance Committee
September 17, 2019 - Public Hearing

September 23-27, 2019 - UBCM Convention

Live Coverage

Council meetings are broadcast via live streaming. For new users, we suggest that you go online before the meeting and test out the existing collection of videos here:

<http://media.mapleridge.ca/Mediasite/Showcase>

TV Coverage

Council meetings are broadcast on Shaw TV cable 4 at 2:00 pm on the Saturday following the Council meetings and rebroadcast on the following Monday at 7:00 pm.

Experience the Harvest Season on the Circle Farm Tour

Agri-tourism in Maple Ridge is growing in popularity as a tourist activity that takes people out of the hectic, congested city into the beautiful country-side. Travelers taking the Golden Ears Bridge off ramp and winding their way into Maple Ridge along Golden Ears Way are immediately met with picturesque views of well-kept fields against a backdrop of magnificent mountains. A variety of farms along this rural route have opened their doors to the community for a variety of unique experiences that offer a throwback to a simpler way of life.

To deepen the travel experience for visitors, the Circle Farm Tour, a marketing program in partnership with Destination BC and the City of Maple Ridge Tourism Office, offers a self-guided tour that takes visitors, local and regional, on an experience where they can pick fresh fruit and vegetables, ride horses, taste honey, shop farm stands for local produce and hand-crafted gifts and meet the farmers that grow their food.

The program connects farmers with the community in a symbiotic relationship that promotes sustainable agriculture and allows farm managers to diversify, augment their income and become more profitable while allowing visitors to get close to nature in a relaxed environment.

The Circle Farm Tour continues to grow each year with new farms being added to the tour. For more information, pick up a Circle Farm Tour brochure in the Maple Ridge Visitor Center at city hall or visit circlefarmtour.ca. #circlefarmtour.

Upcoming September Harvest Events:

Saturdays – Haney Farmers Markets, Memorial Peace Park
Saturdays – Golden Ears Cheesecrafters Afternoon Teas
Saturday, September 21 – Hopcott Meats Annual Longtable Dinner
Saturday, September 28 – Laity Pumpkin Patch opens
Sunday, September 29 – Golden Ears Honey Farm, Last Market of the Season



CULTURE DAYS



CELEBRATE CULTURE DAYS' 10TH ANNIVERSARY ON SEPTEMBER 27, 28 & 29
LAUNCH DATE: SEPTEMBER 22

Join Canadians across Maple Ridge, the province and nation in this annual celebration of culture with free activities for all ages! Our themed activities this year correspond with community health and well-being. Get a passport in Maple Ridge and collect stamps at the different locations to win prizes.

Highlights include

SEPT. 22 | PROVINCIAL LAUNCH
MISSION HERITAGE PARK CENTRE AT 1:00PM

SEPT. 27 | FAMILY FUN DAY
ERIC LANGTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, 6:00PM - 8:00PM

SEPT. 28 |
FAMILY FISHY FUN AT ACT ARTS CENTRE, 11:00AM - 3:00PM
HARVEST TIME AT HANEY HOUSE
ARTS IN THE LIBRARY AT MAPLE RIDGE LIBRARY



For more information on Culture Days, please visit culturedays.ca/bc



Oktoberfest Events to Celebrate New Ale Trail

To celebrate the launch of the new Maple Ridge Ale Trail, local brewmasters have created a collaborative Oktoberfest brew, the Alouette Berry Saison, which will be tapped for tasting at the Haney Farmers Market launch event on September 21 and throughout the Oktoberfest season, September 21 to October 6. As part of the local launch, participants can obtain a commemorative stein and passport that includes a self-guided tour map for the local craft beer establishments.

A series of Oktoberfest-themed events and activities will be part of the two week celebration and include entertainment, music trivia, bingo, brewery tours and pairing seminars at participating establishments. Look for posts on social media with the hashtags #discovermapleridge and #bcaletrail.

The BC Ale Trail initiative is a marketing campaign that highlights our world-class breweries amid British Columbia's spectacular wilderness scenery. Maple Ridge is sure to inspire travelers with cozy craft beer tasting rooms, excellent farm-to-table cuisine, and numerous opportunities for outdoor adventure and urban cultural experiences.

For more information on the program visit <https://bcaletrail.ca/ale-trails/maple-ridge>

Leisure Centre Pool Talk Update

September's Pool Talk Video Update is the eleventh installment of the series. In this update, host, Russ Brummer, takes viewers on a mini-tour of what the new customer experience will be like as they flow through the lobby to the new change area and onto the pool deck itself. The video has already generated conversations on the City's official [Facebook Page](#) where citizens are encouraged to ask questions and post about what parts of the renovations they would like to see featured in future video updates.

Citizens can visit the City's [website](#) for more information or contact the project team directly at pooltalk@mapleridge.ca.



Join us to say #ThanksCoach!

Join PacificSport and the City of Maple Ridge for Coaches Week! PacificSport is hosting three development workshops in Maple Ridge to better support and educate coaches, athletes and parents in the community. Registrants that complete the courses will receive NCCP credits and Pro-D points.

For more information on Coaches Week, please email fraservalley@pacificsport.com

Leading Drug Free Sport
Friday, September 27
5 pm - 9 pm | MRLC | \$80
Registration is now available.

Developing Physical Abilities
Saturday, September 28
8:30 am - 5:00 pm
Hammond Community Centre | \$150
Registration is now available.

Psychology of Performance
Sunday, September 29
9:00 am - 5:00 pm
Hammond Community Centre | \$140
Registration is now available.

Be Like Nice Ned – Fitness Centre Etiquette

The Maple Ridge Parks, Recreation & Culture Sport & Fitness team released a video this week called Be Like Nice Ned – Fitness Centre Etiquette. At the Maple Ridge Leisure Centre, everyone is welcome! This video serves as a fun reminder to keep others in mind when using shared spaces. Be like Nice Ned - respect the facility and be mindful of your fellow patrons.

Please visit the City's [website](#) to learn more about the Maple Ridge Fitness Centre.



Check out 2020 BC Summer Games Promotional Video

Check out the newly released promotional video for the 2020 BC Summer Games happening here in Maple Ridge!

The countdown to July 23-26, 2020 is on. Keep your eyes peeled for more information and be sure to visit www.bcgames.org



Summer Floral Displays Still Packing Colourful Punch

The City's annual horticultural displays are still in bloom as summer wanes into autumn. The display beds at the City's west entrance sign welcomes residents and visitors with a burst of colour. The skillfully arranged beds within the 224 Street median provide a stunning view for pedestrians and motorists in the downtown core and the cenotaph area in Memorial Peace Park is brightened up with a vibrant display.



Albion Community Centre Construction Underway

The first phase of construction commenced this summer with the overall grading of the site, along with installation of retaining walls, underground utility services and structural pile work. The pedestrian walkway along 104th Avenue, needed to provide access to the adjacent elementary school, will be completed in advance of the school's opening next week.



Are you interested in getting involved in our community?

WOMEN IN ACTION is for you! WOMEN IN ACTION focuses on connecting through fun games, activities and giving back to our community!

WHO | Youth Ages 12-18

WHEN | September 9-December 2

TIME | Mondays, 7:00-8:00 pm

WHERE | Greg Moore Youth Centre

FREE with Membership!

To register, please visit the City's [website](https://www.mapleridge.ca/1484).



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REGISTER AT [MAPLERIDGE.CA/1484](https://www.mapleridge.ca/1484) USING #8843