## **Administration**

#### **Winter Break**

As the holidays quickly approaches, council meetings will shortly pause and resume on January 14, 2020.

### **Stream Council Meetings Live**

Watch Council meetings via live streaming on your home computer, tablet or smart phone. To view the live stream of the next upcoming council meeting go to:

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



## **Public Works & Development Services**

## **Speed Management Measures**

The implementation of speed management measures is undertaken by the City's Transportation section in the Engineering Department. Staff recently utilized speed management measures to address speeding concerns expressed by Maple Ridge Elementary School and neighbourhood residents. Transportation staff investigated speeds along River Road in front of Maple Ridge Elementary School.

The observed speeds were 52.6 km/h during school hours (30 km/h posted speed limit), and 78.7 km/h outside of school hours (50 km/h posted speed limit).

Through a combination of lane narrowing, medians, and chokers as shown below, the observed speeds were

reduced during school hours to 34.8 km/h (30 km/h posted speed limit), which shows a drop of 17.8 km/h. Outside of school hours, the observed speeds recorded were 49.7 km/h (50 km/h posted speed limit), which shows a drop of 29.0 km/h.

The reductions in speed illustrate that the speed management measures were extremely successful, improving road safety in the area surrounding this busy elementary school.



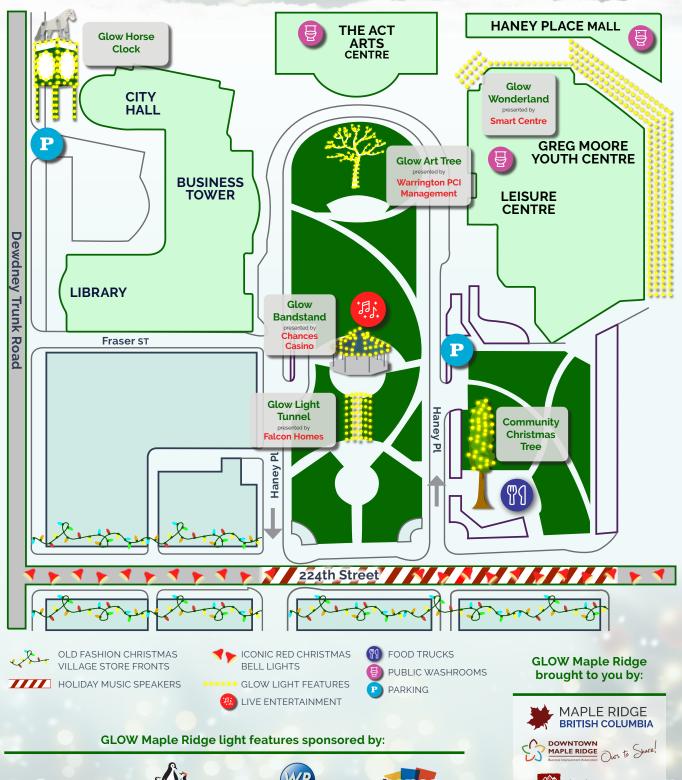


Figure 1: Implementation of Lane Narrowing, Medians, and Chokers along River Road in front of Maple Ridge Elementary



## December 7, 2019 - January 5, 2020

Come down to Memorial Peace Park between now and Jan. 5 and see some of the beautiful light attractions and some wonderful family friendly live holiday entertainment.

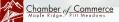












## HAPPENING ZDECEMBER

DECEMBER 7
TO JANUARY 5
GLOW MAPLE RIDGE

NOVEMBER 30 TO DECEMBER 22 TIMBERLINE COUNTRY

#### **DECEMBER 15**

**CHRISTMAS** 

SHRED, SHARE, STOKED SKATEBOARD CONTEST

WINTER HARP AT THE ACT

#### **DECEMBER 16**

CPR HOLIDAY TRAIN CHRISTMAS TIME AT HANEY HOUSE

#### Santa Claus Parade



### CP Holiday Train - December 16, 2019

The CP Holiday Train program launched in 1999 to make a difference in the fight against hunger, while providing a fun and engaging way for people to show their support. Since its inception, the program has raised more than \$15.8 million and gathered 4.5 million pounds of food for communities along CP's routes.

On December 16 at 7:50 pm, the CP Holiday Train will again make its way to historic Port Haney, across from the Billy Miner Pub. Come and enjoy this free and festive event with ornate Christmas lights and live holiday-themed music featuring Terri Clark and Dallas Smith.

Everyone is encouraged to bring either a healthy non-perishable item or a cash donation. Everything raised in our community stays in our community.

More information, including road closures is available on the City's Facebook page.



## **Christmas Time at the Haney House**

Join us as we kick off a new tradition at Haney House during the CP Holiday Train event on December 16 from 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm. Enjoy festive decorations, music and a walk through the historic pioneer home that dates back from the late 1800's. Admission is by donation, with proceeds going towards the Friends in Need Food Bank. Note only small groups can tour the historic house at any given time. For more information, visit mapleridgemuseum.org



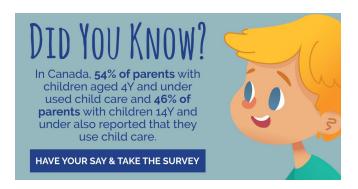
To see more photos of the Santa Parade visit the City's Facebook Page.

## Parks, Recreation and Culture

## Maple Ridge Child Care Needs Assessment Survey

Approximately half of our population with children report a need for child care. It's time to create a Child Care Action Plan! Help us improve access to child care by taking the Child Care Needs Assessment Parent/Guardian/Caregiver Survey.

Are you a parent/guardian? Take the Child Needs Assessment survey before December 31, 2019



# Shred, Share, Stoked Skateboarding Competition

The Greg Moore Youth Centre is hosting a charity skateboard competition for youth ages 8-18. Admission is by donation of lightly used clothing. The entry fee to enter the competition is \$5 or 5 items of non-perishable food. All proceeds go to local charities.

The event takes place on Sunday December 15. Doors open at 6:00 pm and the event starts at 7:00 pm. More information is available on the City's Facebook page.



## Firefighters Park



Maple Ridge has a new neighbourhood park now open to the public, located at 238 Street and 113 Avenue beside the new Fire Hall #4 that is currently under construction. This park features a firefighting themed playground, scooter/ junior bike track, half basketball

court, walking paths and a sand and water play area. Stay tuned for a ribbon cutting celebration this spring.







## **Lighting up Downtown Maple Ridge**

Park crews were busy in late November installing Maple Ridge's iconic festive lighting displays along the downtown core streets and in Memorial Peace Park. This year, 31 newly planted trees were lit along Lougheed Highway for a total of 263 street trees decorated with energy-saving LED lights. Each tree is beautifully displayed with 'Snowfall' lights in the canopy and green or red rope lights spiraling up the trunk. In addition, each street light pole is adorned with vintage red bells, which have been displayed during the holiday season for over 50 years.





