



MAPLE RIDGE THIS MONTH

October 1, 2020

City Hall Reopening for Front Counter Service



The City of Maple Ridge will be reopening City Hall for walk-in front counter service at the Finance and consolidated Building/Planning/Engineering counters. We have been conducting business through in-person meetings by appointment for many months, and reopening the front counters is being done in order to accommodate walk-in customers. Our offices will be open from 8:00 am to 4:00 daily beginning on October 5 and there will be special protocols including health screenings, limiting the number of people in the public spaces as well as providing hand sanitizer and non-medical masks for those who do not

already have one while they are in City Hall.

As part of the safety protocols, access to City Hall will occur through the east entrance closest to the RCMP headquarters and customers will exit on the west side of the building towards the Business Tower and Library. Plexiglass barriers have been installed at the customer service counters to protect our customers and staff. If you need to meet with a specific staff member, you are asked to phone in advance to make an appointment. The walk-in service is for simple financial and permit transactions. It will be great to see you again and thank you in advance for following all the new health protocols.

Looking For Your Feedback on Dog Parks



Did you know that the top five names for dogs in our community are Charlie, Bella, Max, Molly and Daisy? These interesting facts are gathered when we issue dog licenses at the beginning of each year. The Maple Ridge Parks, Recreation & Culture Department wants to hear from our dog park users! Your feedback is important, especially when it comes to ensuring our furry friends have great parks to explore. We've posted the links on our social media channels and you can also access the survey directly on the City website at mapleridge.ca/1439. The survey deadline is Friday, October 2.

Thank you so much for taking the time to be part of this important survey. If you have specific questions and comments, these can be directed to Colin Priddle, Manager of Park Services, at 604 467-7396 or by email at cpriddle@mapleridge.ca.

You can get more information on the most popular dog names and breeds in Maple Ridge by going to the City's Open Government Portal at opengov.mapleridge.ca in the 'infographics' section.

Important Online Surveys



The City of Maple Ridge is continuing work on two important projects to shape the future of our community and is seeking your input through online surveys.

The first is the Town Centre Visioning. The Town Centre Area Plan (TCAP) was adopted in 2008 with a vision for creating more density, mixed-uses, and green spaces, while creating a pedestrian-oriented environment. With this Plan in place, the Town Centre of Maple Ridge has been experiencing a significant amount of redevelopment and change over the past five to ten years. Maple Ridge Council has recognized this growth and change and wants to ensure that the evolution of the Town Centre is positive and leads to greater vibrancy in this core part of the Community.

You can learn more about this consultation at mapleridge.ca/2456 and access the link to the online survey which will be open until Sunday, October 4.

The second project is the Lougheed Transit Corridor Study which has been underway since the beginning of 2020. Go to <https://lougheedstudy.mapleridge.ca/> to see the draft plan that has been developed and take a moment to scroll down the page and fill out the online survey by Sunday, October 4.

Thank you for taking the time to invest a few moments to help shape the future development of our community.

HAPPENING IN OCTOBER

COUNCIL MEETINGS & AGENDAS

The City of Maple Ridge has adapted our business operations to the COVID-19 health emergency. We are maintaining the normal Council Meeting Schedule using digital tools to enable our Mayor, Council members and staff to follow Dr. Henry's health recommendations to keep the spread of COVID-19 low. All meetings are livestreamed and participation by the public is now available through virtual tools and in person participation following special health protocols. Look for the details on how you can participate online at mapleridge.ca/640.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6

- COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT 1:30 PM

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13

- COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING
COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT 11:00 AM

COUNCIL MEETING

COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT 7:00 PM

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20

- COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT 1:30 PM

PUBLIC HEARING

COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT 7:00 PM

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27

- COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING
COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT 11:00 AM

COUNCIL MEETING

COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT 7:00 PM

Look for other community events and meetings on the community calendar on the City's home page at mapleridge.ca.