

July 4, 2012

City launches free building and land development forum

Starting on July 18, the City of Campbell River will launch a series of one-hour lunch 'n' learn sessions for local builders and developers on the third Wednesday of every month.

The discussion will offer an opportunity to share ideas and information, a "cross pollination" opportunity, says Ross Blackwell, the City's land use services manager.

"The monthly information series is for people associated with the building and land development industry, and it's designed to be both educational and interactive, with two-way information sharing," Blackwell adds. "This will benefit the City by providing us with feedback that will allow us to better serve this industry sector. It will also provide value to the industry by sharing information on relevant issues affecting their operations."

Each monthly session will highlight a different topic, such as updates to the *BC Building Code*, developing or building near steep slopes and many more.

The first session is scheduled for noon, Wednesday, July 18 in the Rivercorp boardroom. The topic will be City application processes and requirements. This includes building permits, subdivision, re-zoning and more.

Sessions will also include an overview of the roles and responsibilities of building inspectors, and senior planners, who will attend the lunch hour forum.

Seating is limited. Local industry professionals are reminded to bring their own brown bag, and reserve a spot by calling the City of Campbell River at 250-286-5725.

- 30 -

Contact: Ross Blackwell, Land Use Services Manager

250-286-5748