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CITY HOSTING FIRST PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE FOR THE ZONING BYLAW UPDATE

To start the *Zoning Bylaw* rewrite process, a series of Public Open Houses are scheduled at two locations to provide an opportunity for input on potential changes and improvements to the existing *Zoning Bylaw*.

The next Open House is on **Wednesday, January 29, 2014 at the Community Centre from 1-3 and 7-9pm.**

Everyone who lives within the City is encouraged to come out to the informal Open House events. The *Zoning Bylaw* can change the type of permitted uses on specific properties or set general regulations, all of which may influence property values and neighbourhood characteristics. Bring your concerns, issues and suggestions about what you think we need to know as we proceed. The current *Zoning Bylaw 3250, 2006* is available for viewing on our website, www.campbellriver.ca, or a paper copy is available in the Land Use Services Department at City Hall.

For questions, please contact Kathleen Wilker at 250-286-5729

SERVE YOUR COMMUNITY ON THE BOARD OF VARIANCE

Members of the public are invited to apply to serve on the Board of Variance, an independent panel of five members appointed by Council to consider minor variances from the City's Zoning Bylaw.

Appeals to the Board are generally made by homeowners or developers when compliance with a minor aspect of Zoning Bylaw (such as a side yard setback) would cause "hardship" to the applicant.

Why join the Board? This is an opportunity to play a role in land-use decision-making in Campbell River. No specific knowledge or qualifications are required, but an interest in civic governance and land use regulations is important.

The Board meets when applications are received, typically 4 to 10 times a year.

Criteria for membership on the Board includes being available to meetings during working hours, with at least 10 days' notice. Meetings generally last no longer than an hour.

During a meeting, the Board will consider whether the application is "minor" and whether "hardship" is evident, and will either deny or approve an application. The Board usually visits a site, and then hears representations from an applicant and/or their neighbours before making a decision. City staff provide administrative and technical support.

The term for these positions is three years, starting April 1, 2014 through to March 31, 2017.

Questions? Please contact Tracy Bate, Deputy City Clerk at 250-287-5705 or email tracy.bate@campbellriver.ca

Information and applications are at City Hall or at www.campbellriver.ca

Apply today! Deadline is 4:30 PM Friday, January 31, 2014.



SPEAKING EVENT & SILVER ANNIVERSARY BATMAN MOVIE (PG13)

with executive producer Michael Uslan (*The Boy who Loved Batman*)



Tuesday, February 4, 6:15 p.m. at the Tidemark Theatre

Tickets \$10.50 available at Tidemark Box Office 250-287-7465 & www.tidemarktheatre.com

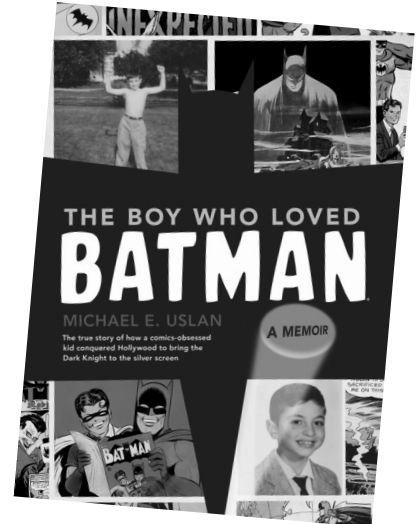
Question and answer session, book signing and autographs.



Campbell River Creative Industries Council

Superhero costumes encouraged at the event.

Best dressed wins a prize.



For more information and to enter the contest go to the Campbell River Creative Industry Council's "**Local Superhero Contest**" on Facebook.

SERVE YOUR CITY

Interested in helping Campbell River move forward?

Make your point. Be heard. And help shape Campbell River's future by applying to serve on the City's advisory commissions.

Last year City Council established two new commissions, with appointments ranging from one to three years to ensure continuity in membership. The one-year appointments are now coming up for renewal, and members of the public with the required experience and expertise are encouraged to apply.

Community Services, Recreation and Culture Commission (CSRCC)

This year there are four appointments to be made to the CSRCC. The commission requires applicants with the following experience and expertise:

- Community support services
- Organized sports
- Public safety
- Seniors and youth programs

The CSRCC provides policy advice and recommendations to City Council for the planning and provision of City parks, recreation and culture services, early childhood development, seniors and youth programs, community support services, organized sports, visual arts, performing arts, heritage conservation, outdoor recreation, community beautification and community safety.



Advisory Planning and Environment Commission (APEC)

There are three appointments to be made to the APEC. APEC requires applicants with the following experience and expertise:

- Economics and finance
- Sustainability, conservation and environment
- Social issues impacting the City

The APEC provides policy advice and recommendations to City Council on various issues related to long-range planning such as the Official Community Plan, land use and development planning, permitting and development application processes, transportation planning and environmental and sustainability issues.

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