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City Currents

COMMUNITY UPDATE | SEPTEMBER 27, 2019

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. One appointment is up for renewal for a term commencing November 1, 2019 through to March 31, 2022.

Appeals to the Board are generally made by homeowners or developers when compliance with a minor aspect of a 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 development-related decision-making in Campbell River. No specific knowledge or qualifications are required, but an interest in civic governance and land use regulations is important.

Criteria for membership on the Board includes being available to meet during working hours, with at least 10 days' notice. Meetings generally last no longer than an hour. The Board meets when applications are received, typically 3 to 5 times a year.

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 hears representations from an applicant and/or their neighbours before making a decision. City staff provide administrative and technical support.

Questions? Please contact Kevin Brooks, Development Services Manager at 250-286-5725 or email kevin.brooks@campbellriver.ca

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

Apply today! Deadline is 4:30 PM Wednesday, October 2, 2019

Saturday Sept 28
8:30am-12:30pm
SPORTSPLEX

It's the rainy season
Help prevent flooding

If there's a catch basin or culvert along the road near your home, keep it clear this rainy season.

Plugged culverts and blocked catch basins prevent water from draining properly. That's when heavy fall and winter rains can lead to flooding on roads and in homes.

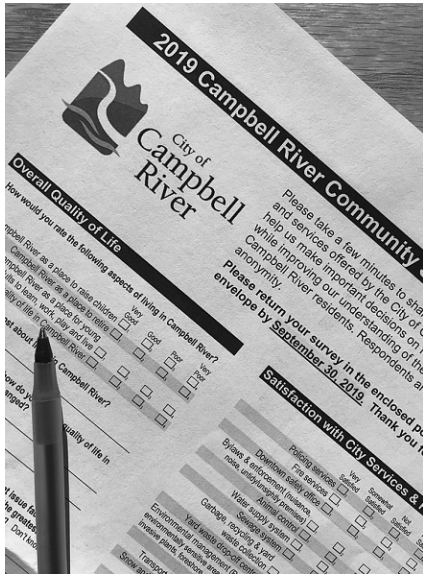
Help us keep water flowing by clearing away leaves and other debris from culverts and catch basins before storms set in.

Please report damaged catch basins to Dogwood Operations, by email to dogwood.centre@campbellriver.ca or call 250-286-4033.

Thanks for your help!

SATISFACTION SURVEY IN THE MAIL AND ONLINE

Survey runs Sept. 13 through 30



Watch your mailbox this month. Your household may be one of 1,200 randomly selected to participate in the City's 2019 satisfaction survey.

As a thank-you, mail survey respondents have an option to enter a draw for three $100 gift certificates for programs or memberships offered at the Sportsplex or Community Centre.

People who don't receive the survey in the mail can share their thoughts online (link to the survey available starting Sept. 13 from the home page at campbellriver.ca).

Tell us what matters most to you, and help influence local government for years to come.

All survey responses will remain anonymous.

Survey topics include:

- quality of life in Campbell River
- most important issue facing the community
- satisfaction levels with various City services and overall quality of services
- value for tax dollars and services to reduce/enhance/introduce
- customer service needs, methods, quality rating
- information needs, methods and quality rating

A report with statistically-valid survey results will be presented to Council in advance of December's budget discussions.