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City launches interactive tax calculator for Area D residents

The City of Campbell River's website now includes a tax calculator that will help Area D residents estimate changes to annual taxes, user fees and other costs if they decide to join the City of Campbell River.

Using 2013 rates, the tax calculator allows people to enter their property's assessed value and fees they pay for solid waste services and septic field maintenance. The tax calculator compares these and estimates what they would pay in City property taxes and other fees in the event of a boundary extension.

The tax calculator can be found at www.campbellriver.ca under Planning, Building & Development.

Additional information about the proposed boundary extension that would offer sewer service to properties in the northernmost section of Area D is also available on the website, including:

- reports and studies
- news about the proposal
- the Urban Systems presentation to Council in January (PowerPoint)
- the link to the webcast of the presentation
- a map of the proposed sewer extension areas

The page will also include electronic copies of newsletters that will be sent to properties in the northern part of Area D over the coming months, plus a growing list of frequently asked questions – updated as people send questions to the City.

People are encouraged to ask any questions about the proposal by contacting the City directly by phone (250-286-5700) or via email to info@campbellriver.ca.

An open house will be held from 5 to 8 p.m. on February 27 at Ocean Grove Elementary (3773 McLelan Road) where Area D residents and property owners will be able to learn more about a proposed boundary extension and sewer service offer.

The open house will give the City's consultant, Urban Systems, an opportunity to gather public feedback on the draft proposal. That feedback, along with the results of a review of the draft proposal currently underway by the Strathcona Regional District will be incorporated into a final proposal for City Council review. The final proposal will be shared with the public later this spring through newsletters and public meetings.

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