



Protecting neighbourhood character through the OCP

The City reached out to residents of Windsor Avenue and the 'K Streets' last month to discuss the idea of designating these neighborhoods as Heritage Conservation Areas under the new Official Community Plan (OCP). With this designation, extensive renovations and new homes in these areas would need to follow a set of design guidelines that respect and promote the heritage qualities of these neighborhoods.

"Preserving the character and heritage of some of our more unique neighborhoods was a common theme in our engagement activities," says Ben Johnson, Special Projects Manager leading the development of the OCP. "Under the Local Government Act, municipalities can create Heritage Conservation Areas to protect the special historical significance of some neighborhoods and ensure that homeowners can still undertake renovations and upgrades."

These neighborhoods were identified because the character created by the post-war housing, deep lots and tree-lined streets is still cohesive and largely intact. Heritage design guidelines would regulate the architectural characteristics, building materials, landscaping, and height and roof forms of proposed developments. Homeowners would need to apply for a Heritage Alteration Permit to have their proposed developments reviewed according to the guidelines before work could proceed.



The decision on whether or not to proceed with the creation of Heritage Conservation Areas will be considered as part of the review of the draft Official Community Plan expected this spring. More information about the Heritage Conservation Areas and the OCP is available at shapeyourcitypenticton.ca.

Emergency Support Services (ESS) - Volunteer Opportunity

The City of Penticton is looking for new volunteers to join its Emergency Support Services (ESS) team.

Penticton's ESS relies on volunteers whose aid is invaluable in responding to people in need during an emergency in our community. Through planning, training, mentorship and practice, these dedicated and compassionate volunteers are ready to be deployed to provide short-term essential needs to those residents impacted by events like floods and fires. ESS volunteers also participate in public awareness, which involves increasing public's knowledge of grab-and-go bags and self-sufficiency in case of an emergency.

If you are interested in becoming an ESS volunteer, submit your resume and cover letter to apply@penticton.ca.



ESS volunteers practice reception processing.

Council to review budget

The 2019-2023 Financial Plan Bylaw is expected to go before Council on March 19. Staff shared the draft plan with the community during several events last month including two open houses and three days of budget deliberations that were held between February 26 and 28.

This year, the City introduced business plans for all departments as part of the budget process. "The new 2019 Corporate Business Plan focuses on what the City intends to achieve in the coming year and the Financial Plan identifies the resources needed to achieve it," says Chief Financial Officer Jim Bauer. Both documents are available for review at www.penticton.ca.



The City introduced the 2019 Business Plan as part of this year's budget process.

New Recreation Guide ready to ring in Spring

Hoop Fitness

Join us for the Hoopstastic class and channel your inner child. Hula hooping is a fun form of exercise that is a complete core workout. It improves hand eye coordination, flexibility, and challenges your brain as well as your muscles. Learn the foundations of hula hoop dancing to bring out your own unique form of movements and have fun doing it.

16 years and older
Mar 6 - 27
Wed, 2:00 - 3:00pm



DancePL3y Preschool

DANCEPL3Y (dance-play) Preschool is a high-energy kids physical activity program that "plays" with dance while promoting positive mental health through the 3 Rules of PL3Y: Be Positive. Be Fun. Be Yourself.

3 - 5 years
Apr 14 - May 19
Sun, 10:00 - 10:30am



Get Hardcore with Parkour!

There will be a variety of Parkour programs and camps kicking off in the Spring. Look for these programs in the Spring/Summer 2019 Rec Guide and on Recreation Penticton's social media accounts:

- Introduction to Parkour
- Parkour 2
- Parkour Weekend Intensives
- Summer Parkour Camp
- Beginner and Intermediate Parkour



SUP with a Pup

Learning to paddle is one thing, and learning with your furry friend on the board is even more involved. This new program is a great chance to get out and socialize with other Paddleboard and Dog enthusiasts.

16 years and older
Jul - Aug
Wed, 6:00 - 7:00pm



SPRING/SUMMER 2019

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REDEFINE YOUR LIMITS

New Rec Guide!
Registration for Spring/Summer programs starts March 7th

CITY OF Penticton RECREATION GUIDE

Check out new and recurring programs at the Penticton Community Centre by visiting www.penticton.ca/recreation. Keep up-to-date by following Recreation Penticton on Facebook and Instagram!

How to deal with condensation

Cooler weather may also mean the return of sweaty windows! If the windows in your home have condensation, it may spoil your views of the beautiful terrain, but, more importantly, it's a sure sign you're losing valuable heat.

Short of replacing your windows, you can reduce your heat loss by installing window film. It helps insulate your windows to prevent drafts and keep the warm air inside your house. It's affordable and easy to install. And it's easily removed in spring.



Here's how to install window film:

- Apply double-sided tape all around the clean, dry interior window frame.
- Cut plastic film the size of the frame, plus leave a few extra inches on each side.
- Tape the film to the interior frame.
- Use a hair dryer on low and move slowly across to set the film. The blow dryer will make the seal as tight as a drum and the film will act like a second pane of glass.
- Trim the excess film from the frame's edges.

Learn more at fortisbc.com.

