



A Transformed Waterfront Entrance

Qualicum Beach's waterfront has become an even more beautiful, sustainable, and culturally rich space for community enjoyment.

With the introduction of the new Waterfront Viewing Platform and Separated Walkway, residents and visitors alike will now enjoy a safe and scenic way to take in the town's breathtaking shoreline.

In addition to the viewing platform and walkway, the foreshore has also undergone a remarkable restoration, now featuring native plantings that not only beautify the area but stabilize the shoreline and create habitats for wildlife.

Capping off this transformation will be the striking roundabout centrepiece designed by local Qualicum First Nation artist, Jesse Recalma. The artwork honours the cultural heritage of the area and is inspired by the Qualicum First Nation totem pole that once stood nearby, which is now proudly displayed at the Qualicum Beach Museum.

The project has been made possible with funding covering nearly two-thirds of the total project's value of \$3,022,989. Funding in the amount of \$519,833 was received by BC's Destination Development Fund, \$1,018,638 through the federal government's Active Transportation Fund, and \$500,000 from BC Active Transportation. The Town gratefully acknowledges these partnerships which have allowed for the realization of a more accessible and attractive waterfront.

For more details on the project visit qualicumbeach.com/_viewing_walkway

Paying Utilities

Due Date: November 8, 2024

Available options to pay your utilities are:

- 1. Visit Town Hall:** Monday to Friday 9 am - 4 pm (excluding statutory holidays). Debit, cash or cheque only. Credit cards are not accepted.
- 2. Financial Institution:** In-person, online or telephone banking (no e-transfers). For online payments, select "Qualicum Beach, Town of - Utilities" (or similar) as the Payee, and use the account number. Please contact your bank directly for assistance setting up a Payee.
- 3. Mail a Cheque:** Payable to "Town of Qualicum Beach", PO Box 130, Qualicum Beach, BC, V9K 1S7. Payment must be received by November 8, 2024. Postmarks are not accepted as date of payment.
- 4. Drop off a Cheque:** A mail slot is located at the entrance of Town Hall, nearest to the fountain at 660 Primrose Street.



What's in My Bill?

Utility bills may include charges for water, sewer, and solid waste services. Billings are issued twice per year for the following periods:

- Winter - October 1 to April 30
- Summer - May 1 to September 30

sign up stay engaged.

www.qualicumbeach.com/signup

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Fall Chipping Program

Each year the Town offers a seasonal chipping program in both Spring and Fall, providing residents with the convenience of placing branches curbside for easy collection.

Chipping will commence with the following timelines:

- Residences EAST of Memorial Ave - October 7
- Residences WEST of Memorial Ave - November 4

Follow the guidelines for smooth collection:

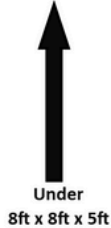
- ONE pile per property
- Small trees, branches, woody shrub materials
- Maximum pile of 8ft x 8ft x 5ft high
- Branches under 4 inches in diameter
- Neatly stacked at the roadside with butt ends facing the same direction

NO

- Grass clippings, leaves, soft plant materials (eg. flowers)
- Piles in excess of 8ft x 8ft x 5ft high
- Piles with gravel, dirt, or roots covered with dirt
- Branches in excess of 4 inches in diameter



ONE neat pile per property



Under
8ft x 8ft x 5ft



4 inches or less in diameter

Crescent Road Culvert Project

The Town is moving forward with a vital infrastructure project to replace two aging corrugated steel culverts on Crescent Road East. These culverts play a key role in protecting our community, safeguarding a major sanitary sewer trunk main and fish habitat against flooding.

The project budget of \$2,067,400 is supported by funding in the amount of \$1,374,000 from the federal/provincial government's Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program.

Completion is expected by October 2024, with necessary road diversions from Crescent Road East in place until then.

For further information and updates on the culvert replacement project, visit qualicumbeach.com/bc_culvert_repair



Saahtlam Park Plan Advances



Council has officially adopted the Detailed Plan for Saahtlam Park (formerly St Andrew's Waterfront Park), marking a milestone in the park's development. Located off Buller Road and Highway 19A, the 9,800 m² park features over 70 metres of waterfront, offering a serene natural setting.

Following extensive community engagement, the finalized plan outlines short and medium-term goals focusing on Indigenous connections, park amenities, access, and conservation efforts. This Plan is integrated into the Town's 2025-2029 Budget, ensuring it remains a cherished community space for all. For more details visit qualicumbeach.com/saahtlam

Strategic Plan Public Input

Public consultation is an integral part of the Town of Qualicum Beach Strategic and Financial Planning process and includes multiple opportunities for public participation.

The 2025 financial discussions will kick off with Council Strategic Planning sessions open to the public and held in the Council Chamber of Town Hall, 660 Primrose Street:

- October 21, 10 am, Committee of the Whole
- November 1, 10 am, Committee of the Whole

For more details visit qualicumbeach.com/finance_process

Bay Street Stabilization



The Bay Street Stabilization project is a major priority of Council, with Bay Street being a key road that requires stabilization to protect both surrounding properties and a sanitary sewer line that services over 300 houses.

To facilitate the project and ensure public safety, Bay Street will be closed to vehicles and pedestrians for approximately three months, starting September 4, 2024. Traffic control will be in place.

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Safe Sidewalks

The Town maintains over 15 km of sidewalks within the town. Our goal is to ensure a safe network of sidewalks for the use of all pedestrians. We welcome you to report the location of any tripping hazard at 250-752-6921 or email qbtown@qualicumbeach.com.



Dog Tags 2025

Dog tags for 2025 will be available at Town Hall in December. Until January 31, 2025, a discounted rate of \$20 applies for spayed and neutered dogs and \$40 for un-spayed and un-neutered dogs (a partial rebate is available after spaying or neutering.)



It is a requirement of Bylaw No. 649 that owners license every dog over the age of eight weeks in the Town of Qualicum Beach.

Business Licences 2025



Business licence renewal notices for 2025 will be mailed in December. The fee for the majority of businesses is \$110 for the calendar year. It is a requirement of Bylaw No. 506.07 that

every person and/or company conducting business within the boundaries of the Town of Qualicum Beach has a valid business licence.

Town Hall Holiday Closures

- Remembrance Day – November 11
- Christmas – December 23 - 27
- New Year's Day – January 1, 2025

Fire Department Open House



Join us for our annual Open House in conjunction with Fire Prevention Week, on October 5, from 10am to 2pm!

Come see all things fire - firefighters, fire extinguishers, fire hoses, fire trucks, and more! Come see what we're all about and that it's more than just fighting fires. Take a department tour and use a fire extinguisher and fire hose, or for even more action don't miss demonstrations rappelling down the building and cutting open cars!

Bring the family, grab a hot dog, and get high fives from Amber the Fire Smart Fox. See you there!

Airport Good Neighbour Program



The Town is working together with the community, pilots, and airport users to help address aircraft noise in neighborhoods surrounding the Qualicum Beach Airport (CAT4).

The Fly CAT4 - Good Neighbour Program recommends and encourages pilots to support and conform to a set of operational flight procedures. It provides pilots with understanding of helpful noise mitigations, and supports open dialogue between airport users and the community. The Program is promoted through the Town's website, signage at Airport fueling stations, signage at runway hold lines, and handouts to Airport users.

To learn more visit qualicumbeach.com/airport

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Off Leash Dog Parks

Qualicum Beach features scenic off-leash trails, providing dog owners with opportunities to explore the natural beauty of the area while allowing their pets to enjoy the outdoors. These trails promote healthy activity for both dogs and their owners, enhancing the community's recreational offerings.



Upcoming Events

- Oct 2 Regular Council Meeting - 10 am
- Oct 9 Special Council Meeting - 10 am (if required)
- Oct 15 Public Open House - 10 am
- Oct 16 Committee of the Whole - 10 am (if required)
- Oct 21 Committee of the Whole - 10 am (if required)
- Oct 23 Regular Council Meeting - 10 am
- Nov 1 Committee of the Whole - 10 am (if required)
- Nov 6 Committee of the Whole - 10 am (if required)
- Nov 12 Public Open House - 10 am
- Nov 20 Regular Council Meeting - 10 am
- Nov 27 Special Council Meeting (if required) - 10 am
- Dec 4 Committee of the Whole - 4 pm (if required)
- Dec 9 Public Open House - 10 am
- Dec 11 Regular Council Meeting - 10 am
- Dec 18 Special Council Meeting (if required) - 10 am

Connect with Council

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Coun. Scott Harrison - sharrison@qualicumbeach.com
Coun. Anne Skipsey - askipsey@qualicumbeach.com
Coun. Petronella Vander Valk - pvandervalk@qualicumbeach.com
Coun. Jean Young - jyoung@qualicumbeach.com

Qualicum Commons Collaboration

The Qualicum School District and the Town of Qualicum Beach are collaborating to explore long-term solutions for the future of Qualicum Commons.

This initiative aims to enhance community services while maintaining the vibrancy of the property, which has long served as a hub for educational, recreational, and support services. Both parties are committed to ensuring the site continues to benefit the community, valuing existing tenants and services.

More details will be shared as the process unfolds, with a focus on transparency and community engagement.



Quality of Life Survey

The Town is preparing for its next Official Community Plan (OCP) review, marking the 9th major update since the first OCP was adopted in 1978. This long-term planning document helps guide the Town's future growth and development.

As part of the review, the Town will be launching a Quality of Life Survey to gather valuable feedback from residents on topics like municipal services, community priorities, and emerging trends.

The survey will play a key role in informing the OCP review, ensuring it reflects the needs and aspirations of the community. The survey will be developed in late 2024, distributed to the public, and results will be presented to Council in early 2025. This resident input will play an important role in helping to prioritize key issues and guide long-term planning decisions, including housing needs.

Visit qualicumbeach.com/ocp for more information on how to get involved!

