

MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

Community Message from Mayor Virginia Hackson on COVID-19

Early this week the Province of Ontario provided further updates about Phase Two of reopening Ontario. East Gwillimbury, as part of York Region's Public Health area, will be moving into Phase Two of reopening as of tomorrow. This is great news as more businesses in our community will begin to reopen when they have the appropriate procedures in place to do so. This will not happen overnight, and I encourage you to be patient and kind with businesses as they slowly begin to reopen.

During this nice weather, the Town also has several amenities that are open and available for everyone to enjoy including trails, tennis courts, skate and bike parks, and open park spaces. As of tomorrow, splash pads will also be permitted by the province to open in EG. Our staff are working to ensure the proper procedures are in place to open in a safe manner. We will post on our social media channels and here in the Town Page when they are open for the public to enjoy.

I would like to remind everyone to be respectful of one another when using these amenities. Please maintain physical distancing and follow the safety signs posted. I would also like to remind cyclists using the trails to please be mindful of those walking and ask everyone to share the trails respectfully.

As we begin to reopen as part of Phase Two, we can also begin to utilize social circles with up to 10 people. This is a great step in reducing social isolation, while still being mindful of minimizing the risk of transmission. There are specific guidelines on how to effectively implement social circles which can be found at Ontario.ca/socialcircles. This is a wonderful opportunity to enjoy a visit with those you have been apart from for such a long time, however, this must continue to be done in a safe and responsible manner.

As we begin down this path to reopen, please continue to keep in mind proper hygiene and physical distancing. Together, we can continue on this downward trend of new cases.

Virginia Hackson

FIREWORKS SAFETY

With Canada Day approaching, Emergency & Community Safety Services has some important tips for you to keep in mind when using fireworks:

- Discharge fireworks away from combustible materials like buildings, trees and dry grass
- Only adults can discharge fireworks
- Read all labels and packaging before lighting fireworks
- Keep a hose or pail filled with water near by

Reminder that fireworks are not permitted at Town recreational spaces, like parks or sport fields. For more information, visit www.eastgwillimbury.ca/townnotices

COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

From June 9, 2020

Interim By-law for Cannabis Production Facilities - The Town has identified cannabis production facilities that have just been, or are in the process of being, established without the appropriate permits and approvals. In response, Council approved an Interim Control By-law that would freeze the development of such facilities in order to provide the Town with an opportunity to determine how these facilities can be appropriately regulated. Council is requesting that if anyone is aware of a facility that appears to be proceeding without the necessary permissions and approvals posted to please contact the Town's By-law department at bylaws@eastgwillimbury.ca

COVID-19 Updates - The Town's COVID-19 Control Group is working to develop a phased-in recovery plan for municipal services. The plan will be in alignment with the province's framework, and public health agency recommendations. To stay up to date on the recovery plan and Town's response to COVID-19 visit www.eastgwillimbury.ca/COVID19.

Summer Camps - Given the closure of municipal facilities and some park amenities, the Town has cancelled all current summer camp sessions. Refunds/credits have been issued to all participants. Should the Province lift restrictions on municipal facilities the Town will consider alternative options for scaled back camps and programs. Sign up for the Town's eNewsletter at www.eastgwillimbury.ca/eNews to stay up to date on further announcements.

Public Meeting - A statutory public meeting was held for a zoning by-law amendment (no. ZBA.20.01) for a proposed oil change centre to be located at the Yonge and Green Lane plaza. Further details are available at www.eastgwillimbury.ca/planningapplications

Heritage Register - The Town initiated a review of the Town's Heritage Register in 2019 and it's in the final phase before completion. A virtual open house will be available online for resident review in the coming weeks.

Nokiidaa Trail Parking Lot Paving - Council deferred the paving of the Nokiidaa trailhead parking lot on Mount Albert Road. Staff will report back in August with further information in relation to potential COVID-19 financial impacts and will explore a funding partnership or land transfer with the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority and York Region (the land owner).



JOIN US FOR OUR FIRST VIRTUAL CANADA DAY EVENT

- ONLINE CONCERT
- FAMILY ENTERTAINMENT
- HISTORY OF THE SHARON TEMPLE

WWW.EASTGWILLIMBURY.CA/CANADADAY

BEGINNING JUNE 24, TUNE INTO OUR FACEBOOK PAGE FOR OUR COUNTDOWN TO CANADA DAY ACTIVITIES

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VIRTUAL PUBLIC MEETING

Official Plan Amendment to establish the Highway 404 Employment Corridor Secondary Plan

June 23 at 1 p.m.

Join us for a virtual public meeting to provide comments on the Town-initiated Official Plan Amendment to establish the Highway 404 Employment Corridor Secondary Plan.

The draft Official Plan Amendment sets out the planning vision for the Secondary Plan and provides land use, design, servicing and transportation policies to support the principles and objectives needed to create a complete community and to protect the natural heritage system and cultural heritage resources in the area.

To provide comments during the meeting, please email Planning Staff at arobb@eastgwillimbury.ca by noon on June 23. For more information and to view the full public meeting notice, please visit www.eastgwillimbury.ca/hwy404secondaryplan

▶ To watch the meeting live, please visit: <https://eastgwillimbury.civicweb.net/Portal/>



PUBLIC NOTICES

YORK REGION COVID-19 SMALL BUSINESS RECOVERY PROGRAM

The York Region COVID-19 Small Business Recovery Support Program (BRSP) provides business recovery assistance to businesses with brick and mortar locations affected by COVID-19. The BRSP includes free training, mentorship opportunities, and grants up to \$3500 to help local businesses adapt to the challenges posed by the COVID-19 pandemic. Visit www.yorksmallbusiness.ca for more information.

COLOUR EG - CELEBRATE PRIDE VIRTUALLY

We're celebrating Pride virtually this year with our new Colour EG challenge! To participate, draw, display, and share your Pride messages using chalk or posting in your window and then share it with us using the hashtag #EGDigitalPride until June 19. Visit www.yorkpridefest.com to view digital Pride events all month long.

The Library



The TD Summer Reading Club is coming soon!

Join us for another great reading-filled summer!

Visit egpl.ca