

## MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

### Community Message from Mayor Virginia Hackson on COVID-19



On behalf of Council, I would like to send well wishes to you and your family as we officially kick off the summer!

We know this summer will be different than what we are used. To ensure we continue to connect and celebrate Canada Day, our talented recreation team has put together an exciting Canada Day celebration that will be enjoyed virtually!

This year's event will consist of virtual events and activities that began yesterday and will run until June 30<sup>th</sup> on our social media channels:

 @TownofEastGwillimbury

 @TownofEG

 @TownEastGwillimbury

On July 1<sup>st</sup> at 6 p.m. there will be a show featuring Peyton Garcia from Mini Pops, a history of the Sharon Temple and Summer of '69, a Bryan Adams Tribute concert. This great night will even end with a fire show!

Although, this will not be our traditional event, we hope you will, perhaps with your social circle, virtually join us on Canada Day!

How ever you choose to celebrate Canada, please do so in a responsible and respectful manner. As we move forward through Phase Two we must not let our guard down. We are only able to move forward thanks to everyone's diligence and commitment so please continue to practice proper hygiene with regular hand washing and wearing a mask if you are unable to physically distance from others. We can continue to move forward if we all do our part.

Have a safe and happy Canada Day!

Virginia Hackson

## FIREWORKS SAFETY

As we approach Canada Day, fireworks safety is important, visit [www.eastgwillimbury.ca/townnotices](http://www.eastgwillimbury.ca/townnotices) for tips on how to use fireworks safely.

## PLANNING NOTICES

Visit pages 5 and 6 of your newspaper to view planning notices for:

- Notice of Passing for Cannabis Production Facilities Interim Control By-law. For more information, visit [www.eastgwillimbury.ca/cannabis](http://www.eastgwillimbury.ca/cannabis)
- Notice of Complete Application for 18335 Leslie Street

## COUNCIL WORKSHOP HIGHLIGHTS

From June 16, 2020

Updates were provided on a number of Town capital projects. To see the full presentation visit [www.eastgwillimbury.ca/](http://www.eastgwillimbury.ca/) (portal)

**Operations Centre** - The Town is building a new operations centre on Woodbine Avenue to support critical Town operations and services. It is anticipated that it will be complete in early 2021. There is a road widening occurring in front of the site to improve site access, safe traffic flow and improvements to this future employment corridor.

**Sports Complex Expansion** - With the development of the new Operations Centre the current works yard space will be available for recreational use. The Town will be reviewing options for a third and fourth ice pad as well as potential sports dome on the site. Public consultation will occur in early 2021.

**Health & Active Living Plaza (HALP)** - The HALP is the Town's next community centre with an 80,000 sqft facility in Queensville. The facility will have EG's first aquatics centre, a third library, gymnasium and program space. The facility construction will be paid for through development charges, and is anticipated to be built once the population reaches 40,000 residents which is proposed to be in four to five years.

### Town Park and Trail Updates:

- Staff are planning virtual open house for the design of Emily Park and Simcoe Trail. Emily Park requires an update and redevelopment including new equipment, amenities and improved pathways and Simcoe Trail will be an 800 metre trail connecting the older Holland Landing neighbourhoods to the Holland Landing Community Centre.
- Construction is anticipated to begin this winter on the Oriole Drive Pedestrian Bridge which will connect to Doane Road.
- Children of Peace Park which is located next to the Sharon Temple is currently under construction and expected to be complete before the end of the year.
- The Sharon Creek Trail is a 2 KM trail that connects Children of Peace park, Civic Precinct including the Civic Centre and the radial line regional trail. It is currently 95% complete.
- Mount Albert Community Centre Park is 75% complete and it is anticipated to be done in Q3. Main features of the redevelopment include a large shade structure and events pavilion, and skate park and new modern play equipment.
- The Queensville Park redevelopment is 60% complete and is anticipated to be complete in Q3 2020. Main features include three new lit tennis courts and a shade structure.

**Official Plan Update** - The Town requires an update to the Town's Official Plan to identify the future vision for growth within the Town. There will be extensive engagement and consultation with residents and

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stakeholders throughout the process, which will begin in Fall 2020.

**Growth Management Strategy** - With the proposed updates to the Official Plan the Town must also look at Town Master Plans related to transportation, water/wastewater and Development Charges to ensure a coordinated management plan moving forward.

**Judah Doan Way** - This road which connects the new Sharon community with Leslie Street is currently under construction and is anticipated to be complete this summer.

**Centre Street Revitalization** - The Town received \$2.3 million in grant funding to revitalize Centre Street. The proposed work could include road construction, realignment, streetscaping, improved accessibility and more. Public consultation will begin in 2021/22 with utility relocations in 2022/23 and construction in 2023.

**Town Logo** - In 2019, the Town began a public consultation process to develop a Town logo. A contest was held in October and then the process was placed on hold due to COVID-19. A further report with potential recommendations will be brought forward for Council review in July.



EG CELEBRATES CANADA DAY Virtually JULY 1 | 6 P.M.

JOIN US FOR OUR FIRST VIRTUAL CANADA DAY EVENT

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

[WWW.EASTGWILLIMBURY.CA/CANADADAY](http://WWW.EASTGWILLIMBURY.CA/CANADADAY)

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

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## CANADA CLOSURES AND SCHEDULE CHANGES

Customer Service will be closed on Wednesday, July 1 for Canada Day and available again by phone and email Thursday, July 2 at 8:30 a.m. If you have an emergency with regards to water, sewers, roads, parks or recreation facilities, please call 905-478-4282, and press option 3.

Waste collection that is scheduled for July 1 to 4 will be one day later due to Canada Day. For more information regarding waste collection in EG, visit [www.eastgwillimbury.ca/waste](http://www.eastgwillimbury.ca/waste)

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

**Blood Donor Clinic** - June 27 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Sports Complex. Visit [www.blood.ca](http://www.blood.ca) to book an appointment.

**EG Farmers' Market Opening Day** - July 2 from 3 to 8 p.m. at the Civic Centre. Join the EGFM for the start of the 2020 season at its new location! COVID-19 safety measures are in place to ensure the safety of all market goers, learn more at [www.eastgwillimbury.ca/farmersmarket](http://www.eastgwillimbury.ca/farmersmarket)

