

Mayor's Message



September was a busy month with students back in school, parents heading back to the hustle and bustle of work life and after school activities, and Langley City Council and staff going the extra mile to wrap things up before the end of 2017.

Since 2015, Langley City Council has been hosting annual neighbourhood meetings which provide opportunities for Council, staff and RCMP representatives to engage with residents within specific neighbourhoods, provide information and updates on current and future projects, discuss issues and concerns, and receive constructive feedback on ways to enhance the livability of the community.

I'm pleased to share that we will again be hosting our annual Neighbourhood Meetings on October 5th, 12th, and 19th. Our Council and staff look forward to these meetings and encourage you to choose which date is best for you and mark it on your calendars. All residents are welcome and are encouraged to attend a meeting in their area. No RSVP required.

Uplands & Alice Brown Meeting

Thursday, October 5 from 6:00pm - 8:00pm
Uplands Elementary School Gym, 4471 207A Street

Douglas & Nicomekl Meeting

Thursday, October 12 from 6:00pm - 8:00pm

Upcoming Programs & Events:

Thursday, Oct.5

[Uplands & Alice
Brown Meeting](#)

Thursday, Oct. 12

[Douglas & Nicomekl
Meeting](#)

Saturday, Oct. 14

[Langley Emergency
Preparedness Fair](#)

Thursday, Oct. 19

[Simonds & Blacklock
Meeting](#)

Thursday, Oct. 19

[Langley City Fire Hall
Open House](#)

Saturday, Oct.21 &

Sunday, Oct.22

[Household
Hazardous Waste
Plus Recycling Event
2017](#)

[View all of the
upcoming Langley
City events](#)

Douglas Park Community School Gym, 5409 206 Street

Simonds & Blacklock Meeting

Thursday, October 19 from 6:00pm - 8:00pm

HD Stafford Middle School Small Gym, 20441 Grade Crescent

If you are unable to attend, we invite you to use the hashtag #LangleyCityConnects between 6:00pm - 8:00pm on scheduled dates to ask your questions. I hope to see you there.

Sincerely,



Mayor Ted Schaffer



Every Green Waste Container Matters
One Household Container can Contaminate an Entire Truck!

The City's green waste collection contractor, Emterra Environmental collects green waste (food scraps and yard clippings) from all single-family residential properties in the City and recently had a green waste load rejected from the composting facility due to contamination. Green waste is considered contaminated if it contains plastics, metals, glass or other non-compostable items. When a green waste is rejected due to contamination, the entire truck has to be disposed of as garbage and then into a landfill. One



LANGLEY EMERGENCY PROGRAM 2017
PREPARE • RESPOND • RECOVER

Langley Emergency Preparedness Fair

Saturday, October 14 • 10:00am - 3:00pm
Kwantlen Polytechnic University - Langley Campus • 20901 Langley Bypass

Experience what a real earthquake feels like!
Learn how to keep your family safe at Langley's Emergency Preparedness Fair.

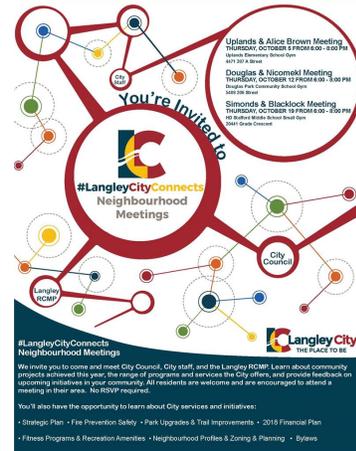
Free Event

- Ride on an earthquake simulator
- Talk to subject matter experts about earthquakes and other risks
- Meet first responders
- Sign up for Personal Preparedness Sessions
- Enter to win a Family Earthquake Kit!

The Langley Emergency Program is a partnership of Langley and City of Langley joint program

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You're Invited to
#LangleyCityConnects
Neighbourhood Meetings

Updalls & Alice Brown Meeting
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 9 6:00pm - 8:00pm
401 201 Street

Douglas & Nicomekl Meeting
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12 6:00pm - 8:00pm
10400 Nicomekl Avenue

Simonds & Blacklock Meeting
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19 6:00pm - 8:00pm
20441 Grade Crescent

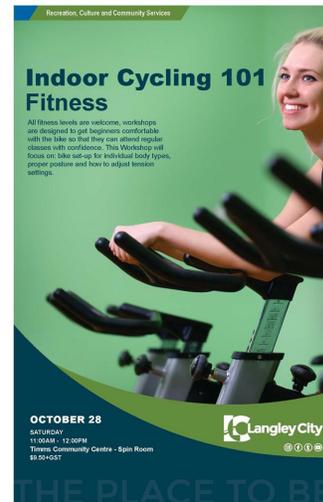
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#LangleyCityConnects
Neighbourhood Meetings

We invite you to come and meet City Council, City staff, and the Langley RCMP. Learn about community projects underway this year, the range of programs and services the City offers, and provide feedback on upcoming initiatives in your community. All residents are welcome and are encouraged to attend a meeting in their area. No RSVP required.

You'll also have the opportunity to learn about City services and initiatives:

- Strategic Plan • Fire Prevention Safety • Park Upgrades & Trail Improvements • 2015 Financial Plan
- Fitness Programs & Recreation Amenities • Neighbourhood Profiles & Zoning & Planning • Bylaws



Recreation, Culture and Community Services

Indoor Cycling 101 Fitness

All fitness levels are welcome, workshops are designed to get beginners comfortable with the bike so that they can attend regular classes with confidence. This Workshop will focus on: bike set-up for individual body types, proper posture and how to adjust tension settings.

OCTOBER 28
SATURDAY
11:00AM - 12:00PM
Tennis Community Centre - Spin Room
\$9.95-GST

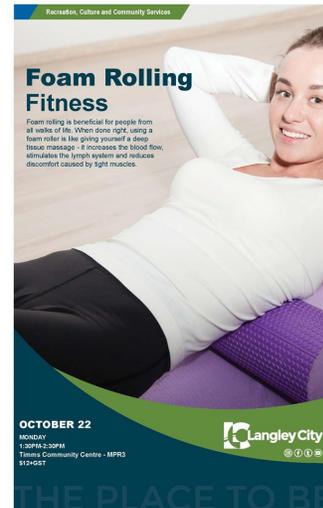
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household container can contaminate an entire truckload!

Accepted green waste is transferred to a local facility located in Abbotsford, The Answer Garden Products, which turns kitchen scraps and yard waste into usable compost and soil which is used in Langley City gardens and parks.

For more information on what can and cannot be included in your residential green waste, visit the City [garbage and recycling page](#).

Since the Green Can program started in 2013, the City now sends 27% less waste to landfills from our residential garbage collection program than we did before we implemented our kitchen scraps collection program. This helped us take a huge leap towards our goal of diverting 80% of our waste from landfill by 2020. We encourage you to do your part and making Langley City greener by keeping contaminated items out of your green waste bin.



**Preventative Maintenance to Prevent Flooding this
Autumn**
Reduce Flooding with Simple Steps

As summer turns to fall, the leaves drop from the trees and the rains increase, there is an increased risk of localized flooding. City crews routinely sweep streets, clear and inspect culverts and clean catch basins, but conditions can change quickly at this time of year, so we all need to do our part to reduce the risk of flooding by doing some simple preventative maintenance steps:

Collect leaves from your property in your Green Can or Kraft Paper bags for weekly Green Waste collection rather than blowing them into the street or dumping into the ravines along our creeks. Extra Green Can stickers are available for free from City Hall.

- Clear nearby curbs and catch basins of leaves and debris. During heavy rain leaves and debris may block catch basins and cause flooding. This type of yard waste can be included in your Green Can or in Kraft paper bags in unlimited amounts for weekly pickup.
- Clear debris from driveway culverts and check ditches in front of your property for blockages.

Don't forget to do the routine maintenance measures to help protect your house and property from flooding:

- Clean your gutters and downspouts. Gutters full of debris such as leaves & needles can lead to rot damage to wood on & in your home, infestations, foundation damage and water getting into your crawlspace or basement;
- Ensure each section of downspout is securely fastened to the other, as well as, to the gutter & the side of the house;
- Ensure water is draining away from the house and doesn't pool around or close to the foundation. Damage to foundations, driveways, and walkways can be the result. Any time water is allowed to pool close to your foundation, there is a risk of leakage into your home.
- Fix leaks in walls, floors, windows or foundations.
- Clear any area drains in your yard or driveway of leaves.

To report flooding on municipal property during business hours, call 604-514-2800. After hours emergencies can be reported through Surrey Fire Dispatch at 604-534-3496. Routine maintenance requests or inquiries can be entered online as a [Request for Service](#).

distracted driving in B.C.

78 On average **78** people die every year in crashes where distracted driving is a contributing factor.

Distracted driving is responsible for more than **one quarter** (27%) of all car crash fatalities in B.C.

When you're distracted, you react slower. Most rear-end crashes resulting in injury are **caused by distracted drivers.**

did you know?

There are many types of distractions, but one of the **most common** is the use of personal electronic devices.

Studies show that drivers who are talking on a cellphone lose about **50%** of what is going on around them, visually!

5X You're **five times** more likely to crash if you're on your phone.

Insurance Institute for Highway Safety

94% of B.C. drivers surveyed consider texting while driving to be risky, including 82% indicating extremely risky.

94%

*Distracted Driving Study (Open Oct 17 - Nov 9, 2016)

the rules

The use of hand-held personal electronic devices while driving has been banned in B.C. since 2010.

The law also applies while you're stopped at a red light or slowed in traffic.

\$368 The penalty for using a hand-held electronic device while driving is a \$368 fine and four penalty points (\$175) for a total of **\$543**.

+4

Multiple offences within a year* could cost you more than you think.

fifth offence	tenth offence
\$1,840 (4x\$368 + 5 tickets) + \$3,760 penalty point premiums	\$3,680 (4x\$368 + 10 tickets) + \$14,520 penalty point premiums
Total \$5,600	Total \$18,200

*4 penalty points are applied within the 18-month span period in relation to your tenth date. Details are available on sbc.com. Tickets reflect penalties from additional driving offences only.

#eyeswtdBC

Focus on the road and your driving. Avoid distractions. The best way to stay safe is to not use your phone at all, but if you must take a call, use a hands-free device and keep the conversation short.

Make sure your hands-free device can be activated or deactivated with a single touch and is in a fixed location.

Source: CBC's Business Information Warehouse, Police Traffic Accident System, CBC's online & reported accident and police filed accident data for year average (2011-2015) for B.C. © User Direction includes incidents where one or more of the vehicles had contributing factors: use of cellphones/other equipment in driver operation, driver inattention/distracted.

*This finding was documented in a presentation given by Professor D.L. Strayer (University of Utah) at a conference titled "Cell Phones and Driver Distraction" (2008).

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