

August 11, 2023

### **UPDATES FROM THE MUNICIPALITY**

# A MESSAGE FROM BEAR SMART & VILLAGE STAFF



The Lower Mainland Inspector of the BC Conservation Officer Service (COS), the chair of Lions Bay Bear Smart and the Works Manager in his capacity as manager of waste collection and bylaw enforcement met yesterday.

The meeting confirmed that Bear Smart will continue to track bear sightings in the village. Residents should continue to report attractants to bylaw and bear conflicts to COS, as usual. Contact details for all three entities are on <a href="https://www.lionsbaybearsmart.com">www.lionsbaybearsmart.com</a>.

Bear Smart will continue to liaise with bylaw, waste management and COS through our contact in their office, as always.

COS has future plans to establish working groups in Bear Smart communities, including Lions Bay. The meeting confirmed that the single most effective action a community can take to reduce food-conditioned bears is to eliminate access to non-natural food (garbage, food waste, fruit, chickens, hives). Bear Smart will also continue its outreach and education. We thank residents for their efforts to protect the bears and our community. Thank you again to those who've reached out to the team expressing support, and sadness at the death of another bear.

As a reminder, curbside <u>waste collection time slots</u> remain in play, as do the drop-off options at the Works Yard from 6 – 8am on Fridays and 8 – 11am on Saturdays.



Starting next week, there will be demolition of a single-family dwelling occurring on Lions Bay Avenue. Expect minor delays.

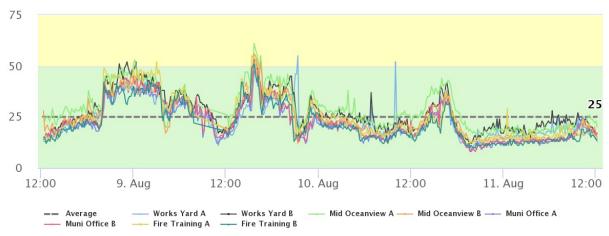
## **UPDATES FROM THE PUBLIC WORKS YARD**



Residents who saw the <u>article</u> might be pleased to know that Public Works already monitors air quality in the Village. Live data can be viewed <u>here</u>. The correlation between municipal sites is good, meaning the numbers are representative. In recent days the US EPA PM2.5 (2.5 micron particulate measure) index, a standard air quality parameter, has been mostly in the green:

# US EPA PM2.5 AQI

10 Minute Average





Public Works is trialing new permit parking zone signage utilizing RESIDENT PERMIT text on some, ANNUAL PERMIT on others, and "\$195 FINE" on both. Why "annual" versus "resident?" We hear during the daily round that "resident" is elitist, and results in undesirable outcomes like keying of cars parked there. An icon-based graphical design variant of the sign waits in the wings in case it turns out not enough would-be parkers heed the written word. We're also instituting "Sorry, all parking full beyond here..." signage to be placed at mid-Bayview when such is the case to see if that reduces people getting increasingly irate while looking.

We welcome observations at works@lionsbay.ca.



**COUNCIL IS ON SUMMER BREAK** 

#### **NEXT REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING:**

September 5, 2023 at 6:00pm\*
\*Closed session will begin at 6:00pm followed by the public meeting at 7:00pm

### **NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING:**

Climate Action Committee: August 14, 2023 at 7:00pm



### Do you know a deserving citizen in your community? Nominate them today!

Nominations are open for the Province's **Medal of Good Citizenship** for 2023. This prestigious medal recognizes people who have made outstanding contributions to their communities without expectation of remuneration or reward. The medal reflects people's generosity, service, acts of selflessness and contributions to community life.

Nominations are due by **Monday, September 4, 2023**. Submissions received after this date will be considered for 2024.

For nomination forms and additional information on this honour, please visit our website.

Thank you in advance for your time and support in nominating exceptional citizens in your community.

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