

Council 

New CivicWeb Portal for Council and Committee Information

The City of Orillia is excited to launch its new online CivicWeb Portal, which provides enhanced access to Council meeting information, including agendas, minutes, timestamped video feeds, and much more.

The Orillia CivicWeb Portal is an online, user-friendly hub that allows users to easily navigate and stay up to date on Council and committee information, including the following:

- Access upcoming and past meetings with agendas and minutes, as well as by-laws and policies.
- View timestamped video feeds from Council, Committee and Public Planning meetings.
- Review the weekly Council Information Package.
- Locate contact information for members of Council.
- Inspect the Declarations of Interest Registries for Council, Boards and Committees.
- Search for specific references and keywords included in any of the documents uploaded to the system.
- Subscribe to receive email updates.

Regular meetings will take place in the Orillia Council Chamber at Orillia City Centre, 50 Andrew St. S., and may be televised on RogersTV Cable Channel 10 and streamed online on the RogersTV website at rogerstv.com/orillia and the City's YouTube channel. Viewing options for Special Council meetings may vary.

For more information about Orillia Council meetings, and to access the CivicWeb portal through the City's website, visit orillia.ca/councilmeetings.

Notices 

Notice to Taxpayers

The 2024 Interim Tax Bills for the City of Orillia have been mailed. Installment dates are March 15, 2024, and May 15, 2024. If you have not received your bill please contact the Finance Division at 705-329-7239. Failure to receive the tax bill does not relieve the property owner from payment of taxes or liability for penalty for late payment. Payments can be made at most financial institutions. To take advantage of our pre-authorized tax payment plan, please visit orillia.ca for more information.

Recreation Financial Assistance Pilot Program

The City of Orillia has launched a two-year Recreation Financial Assistance Pilot Program to enhance community access to the Orillia Recreation Centre.

The new pilot program has two subsidy streams geared towards individuals and local social service agencies.

Individual Financial Assistance:

The program offers subsidized monthly FUN Passes for up to 100 Orillia residents, on a first-come, first-served basis, providing unlimited access to the fitness centre and walking track, as well unlimited access to swimming, open gym, kids, and fitness drop-in programs at the Orillia Recreation Centre. Adult passes are available at \$15, while child, student, or senior passes are \$7.50.

To qualify, applicants must confirm their Orillia residency and meet Low-Income Cut-off After Tax thresholds based on family size, which ranges from \$19,042 for an individual to \$49,939 for a family of seven. One application per household is accepted, and documentation for eligible dependents may be required. The program requires a minimum of six visits per month to maintain assistance.

Local Social Service Agencies:

In addition to individual passes, the Recreation Financial Assistance Program extends support to social service agencies through subsidized rates for All-Access Day Passes, available at \$2 per pass (limited availability). Agencies must demonstrate a commitment to supporting low-income and marginalized individuals in Orillia, along with proof of not-for-profit status. For more information on the pilot program or to apply online, visit orillia.ca/programs.



Winter Tips 

Stay Up to Date on Winter Control

Winter is here! During winter weather, find out how to stay informed about the City's snowplowing, salting and sanding, and more.

The City's previous snowplow tracking application is currently unavailable due to vendor-related challenges. Staff are investigating a long-term solution.

As an interim measure, winter control updates will be posted regularly on the City's website at orillia.ca/wintercontrol. Updates will include the date and time-stamped winter control information in four unique categories:

- Priority/secondary roads
- Residential roads
- Priority/secondary sidewalks
- Downtown/parking lots/other locations

During winter storm events, updates may also be posted to the City's social media channels. Learn more and access further information related to snow clearing efforts, including answers to frequently asked questions, at orillia.ca/wintercontrol.

Winter Waste Collection

To assist collectors and avoid damage to your containers from snow clearing equipment, cut a notch halfway up the snowbank where you normally place your containers.



Waste Collection 

Blue Box Recycling Program Transition

Between July 2023 and December 2025, all Ontario municipalities, including the City of Orillia, are switching to a new recycling system. This change is part of a province-wide initiative where companies that create packaging and other recyclable materials will take charge of the recycling process.

What This Means for Residents Right Now:

- No Collection Changes Yet: Curbside recycling schedules for residents remain the same, and you can still recycle the same materials as before.
- Focus on Sorting: The way recycling is handled after collection is what's changing. There will be increased enforcement of proper sorting. This makes separating recyclables correctly more crucial than ever.

Resources for Easier Sorting:

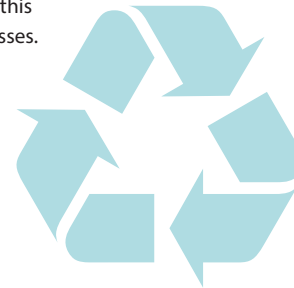
- Sort like a pro with the City's new 'What Goes Where' online tool. It's a search-based app, available online or on mobile, to help identify how an item should be handled. Access the tool at orillia.ca/waste, on the Recycle Coach app, or through the OrilliaNow portal at orillia.ca/now.

- The 2024 Solid Waste Collection Guide and Calendar are designed to help you make the most of the City's waste management services. Access them online at orillia.ca/waste.

What Businesses Need to Know:

- The new program applies to residential sources only, including single-family households, multi-residential buildings, long-term care facilities, and retirement homes.
- Businesses will continue to have recycling collection, but there will be a separate route(s) for commercial, industrial, and institutional recycling in the near future. More details on this has been sent directly to businesses.

For more details and answers to frequently asked questions, visit orillia.ca/waste.

Opportunities 

Are You Up for the Ultimate Summer Job?

The City is currently recruiting for summer waterfront and camp positions. If you love working outside, building great friendships or learning lifesaving skills, you can apply at orillia.ca/employment. The deadline for applications is Jan. 29, 2024.



Don't miss what's happening

- Mudmen in Concert
- Classic Lightfoot Live
- Abba Revisited
- Séan McCann
- Irish Mythen
- Gerry Dee
- Magic Men Australia
- and much more!

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Important Dates 

Upcoming Meetings

Monday, Jan. 29: Special Council re Downtown Streetscape Reconstruction and Regular Council

Monday, Feb. 12: Regular Council

Meetings will be held in-person in the Council Chamber. Meeting start times will be noted on the agendas when published. A portion of these meetings may be held in closed session. Members of the public who wish to attend Council Chamber during the open session portions of these meetings are welcome. Regularly scheduled City Council meetings may air on Rogers Cable TV Channel 10 and may also be streamed live on the City of Orillia's YouTube channel and Rogers TV Orillia City Council page. Full agenda packages and streaming links are available at orillia.ca/councilmeetings. For further information, contact us at 705-325-1311 or councilservices@orillia.ca.

Job Opportunities

Summer Lifesaving Positions

Corporate Services Department
Closing: Jan. 29, 2024

Summer Day Camp Positions

Corporate Services Department
Closing: Jan. 29, 2024

Sport Coordinator

Corporate Services Department
Closing: Jan. 29, 2024

Administrative Support - Recreation, Youth & Culture (6-Month Contract)

Corporate Services Department
Closing: Jan. 31, 2024

Park/Facility Operator

Environment and Infrastructure Services Department
Closing: Jan. 31, 2024

Manager of Operations

Environment and Infrastructure Services Department
Closing: Feb. 2, 2024

Program Coordinator

Corporate Services Department
Closing: Feb. 9, 2024

Payroll Administrator (12-Month Contract)

Corporate Services Department
Closing: Feb. 23, 2024

2024 Park Maintenance Staff (Contract)

Environment and Infrastructure Services Department
Closing: March 15, 2024

For all positions available, including duties and qualifications, visit orillia.ca/employment.