

Community 

Call for Members: City of Orillia Poverty Reduction Working Group

The City of Orillia is seeking passionate, dedicated community members to join the Orillia Poverty Reduction Working Group.

The following positions are open:

- One community member representing housing
- One community member representing food
- One community member representing transportation
- One community member representing youth
- One community member representing arts and recreation

The mandate of the working group is to review and evaluate the recommendations contained in the Poverty Reduction Action Plan, including exploring effective evidence-based implementation strategies, analyzing current efforts, addressing access barriers, and ensuring long-term sustainability. A series of objectives and a report back to Council in 2025 will be required.

Members can expect to serve for approximately one year until the mandate is satisfied.

Members of this group will be expected to actively contribute by working on specific tasks between meetings, collaborating on key initiatives, and driving forward the actions needed to tackle poverty in our community. This is not just a meeting-based group – it's about rolling up your sleeves and making things happen.

While the exact time commitment may vary depending on the tasks at hand, please be prepared to dedicate time outside of meetings. Your involvement will be critical in shaping meaningful solutions that make a difference.

The online application form is available at orillia.ca/boardscommittees. Applicants are strongly encouraged to include a recent resume or curriculum vitae. Application deadline is Thursday, Oct. 31, 2024. Applicants short-listed for selection will be interviewed.

For questions or assistance applying, contact Robin Cadeau, Assistant Clerk at rcadeau@orillia.ca or 705-558-9555.

Waste Collection 

Curbside Battery Collection

On the week following the change to Daylight Savings Time (from Nov. 4 to 8, 2024), residents can set out spent household batteries (AA, AAA, C, D, 9V, button batteries, etc.) in sealed clear plastic bags (such as a Ziploc bag) and place on the ground with the rest of your curbside waste items.

Batteries will be picked up on your regular collection day and sent for recycling. Residents are encouraged to replace batteries in their smoke alarms and carbon monoxide alarms when you change your clocks back on Sunday, Nov. 3, 2024. Please note the curbside battery collection program does not include businesses and apartments that set out large roll-out carts. For more information, please call the City's Waste Diversion site at 705-325-3522.

Have Your Say on Voting Methods for the 2026 Municipal Election

Orillia residents are invited to provide input on their preferred voting methods for the 2026 Municipal and School Board Elections by Nov. 1.

Until Nov. 1, 2024, residents can share how they would like to cast their vote in 2026, with options for in-person paper voting, mail-in voting, telephone voting, or internet voting.

Share your preferred voting method in the following ways:

Online Survey: Share your thoughts through our online survey, where you can rank your preferred voting method and provide comments. Access the survey at orillia.ca/election.

Paper Survey: Surveys are available at the Orillia Recreation Centre, Barnfield Point Recreation Centre, Orillia City Centre, Orillia Public Library, Rotary Place, Georgian College, and Lakehead University. Completed paper surveys can be returned to any of these locations in the designated ballot boxes.

Questions regarding this survey or requests for alternative survey formats may be directed to the Council Services Division at 705-325-1311 or councilservices@orillia.ca. Learn more at orillia.ca/election.

Have Your Say 



Leaf & Yard Waste Collection

Place leaves and yard waste into paper bags or a labelled yard waste container. No plastic bags. Bags or cans of leaves and other yard waste do not require garbage tags; however, bags of grass clippings do require a garbage tag.

- Acceptable yard waste material includes leaves, trimmings, branches and pumpkins.
- Do not include sod, soil/dirt, winter sand or pet waste.

Branches must be bundled. Branch diameter must be under 2.5 cm. Bundles should be no longer than 1 m long and 50 cm wide/tall. Any branches that are over this size should be brought to the Waste Diversion Site (fees apply). Loose leaves raked into ditches or onto boulevards will not be collected.

City of Orillia Notice of Public Meeting Re: Municipally Initiated Zoning By-Law Amendment

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the City of Orillia will hold a Public Meeting on **Monday, Nov. 18, 2024 at 12:30 p.m.**, or as soon thereafter as the matter can be dealt with, in the Council Chamber, Orillia City Centre, 50 Andrew St. S., to consider the municipally initiated Zoning By-law Amendment set out below.

PLEASE NOTE that this meeting may be attended either in person at the Council Chamber, Orillia City Centre, 50 Andrew St. S., Orillia or **electronically** as set out later in this Notice.

Description of the Land:

The amendments to the Zoning By-law apply to all land within the City of Orillia, and as such no key map has been provided.

Purpose and Effect:

The purpose and effect of the proposed Housekeeping Amendments to the City's Zoning By-law is to make minor changes to the text to further improve and clarify the City's Comprehensive Zoning By-law 2014-44, as amended.

PLEASE NOTE: IF YOU INTEND TO PARTICIPATE IN THE ELECTRONICALLY IN THE HYBRID PUBLIC MEETING you are required to register with the Council Services Division (councilservices@orillia.ca, 705-325-1311) by no later than noon on Friday, Nov. 15, 2024. Upon registration, the necessary information required to join the meeting will be provided to you. Please note that access to a computer with an internet connection or phone connection is required to participate in the electronic meeting. Written submissions prior to the meeting date are required from those parties intending to participate in the electronic meeting, in order that your comments are on record in the event of any technical difficulties. Please contact planning@orillia.ca or 705-325-2622 prior to the meeting date with any questions. Written submissions from any party may be forwarded by email to planning@orillia.ca or dropped off at Orillia City Centre, 50 Andrew St. S., Orillia, marked to the attention of the Planning Division.

Information Available:

Additional information and material relating to the proposal is available on the City's webpage at orillia.ca/currentdevelopment. For more information about this matter, including information about your appeal rights, and for additional information and material relating to the proposal, you may phone the general Planning line at 705-325-2622 or email planning@orillia.ca.

Dated: Oct.16, 2024

Notice of Intention to Dispose of City-Owned Lands

The Corporation of the City of Orillia (the "City") is proposing to pass a by-law to dispose of certain lands more particularly described in Schedule "A" (the "Lands"), and as shown on the Key Map set out below.

Any person wishing to comment on the proposed disposition is requested to submit comments in writing to the undersigned by noon on Monday, Oct. 28, 2024, at the Office of the Clerk, Orillia City Centre, 50 Andrew St. S., Suite 300, Orillia, Ont., L3V 7T5.

Please be aware that any person(s) who submit letters and/or other information to Council should be aware that any personal information contained within their communications may become part of the public record and may be made available through the Council agenda process, which includes publication on the City's website.

The Council of the Corporation of the City of Orillia will give consideration to all submissions received, and will then determine whether or not to proceed with the disposition. The by-law to authorize the disposition will be considered at a meeting of Council to be held on Monday, Nov. 4, 2024. The meeting will follow a Budget Committee meeting scheduled on the same date, the time for which is still to be determined as of the date of this notice. It is expected that the Council meeting will begin at 2 p.m. or shortly thereafter.

Dated at the City of Orillia, this 10th day of October, 2024.
Kristine Preston, Deputy Clerk
The Corporation of the City of Orillia
councilservices@orillia.ca

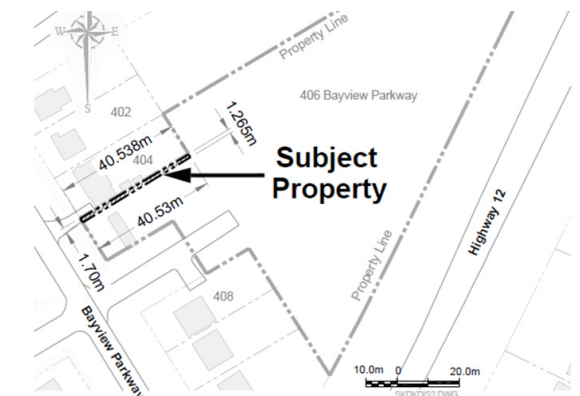
Through Your Lens Visit Orillia Fall Video Contest

Visit Orillia is inviting local creators to share their vision of autumn in Orillia for a chance to win one of three cash prizes.

The Through Your Lens: Visit Orillia Fall Video contest invites aspiring videographers to submit one original 30-second video highlighting the City's seasonal events, activities, and scenery for a chance to win cash prizes and be featured in a 2025 Visit Orillia campaign.

Submissions are open to temporary and permanent residents aged 18 and over. Participants must live within one of Orillia and Lake Country's five municipalities: the City of Orillia, the Chippewas of Rama First Nation, or the Townships of Oro-Medonte, Ramara, and Severn.

Video submissions are open until Dec. 5, 2024, at noon, and can be submitted online. Access the application form and further information, including detailed contest rules and requirements, at orillia.ca/throughyourlens.



A larger version of this map is available at orillia.ca

New Overnight Parking Permits for West Orillia Available Starting Oct. 28

Select parks to have designated overnight parking spaces for winter season.

In an effort to assist residents in the West Orillia area requiring overnight parking options this winter, the City of Orillia is introducing overnight parking permits for designated park areas.

Permits will be available to purchase on a first-come-first-served basis beginning Monday, Oct. 28, 2024, at 8 a.m. at Orillia City Centre, located at 50 Andrew St. S. Permits will be \$375 + HST and are valid from Nov. 15, 2024 to April 15, 2025 between 9 p.m. and 7 a.m.

The following parks will have designated overnight parking permit spaces available:

- Walter Henry Park (3050 Orion Blvd.) – seven spaces
- West Ridge Park (900 Westridge Blvd.) – four spaces
- Clayt French Park (114 Atlantis Dr.) – 13 spaces

Overnight parking restrictions are in effect from Nov. 15 to April 15 annually. The City of Orillia also offers overnight parking permits for Municipal Parking Lots 1 and 6 within downtown. For more information on how to apply for a seasonal parking permit or for any questions regarding the new program, please visit orillia.ca/parking.

Stay Informed with Alertable Notifications

Residents and visitors can use Alertable to stay aware of road closures, beach postings, restrictions, hazards and more in Orillia. Alertable can be used on all platforms and is available to download for free from major app stores. Visit alertable.ca to sign up or get access on the OrilliaNow web portal at orillia.ca/now.



City Moves Forward with Automated Speed Enforcement Program

Council approves next steps; by-laws to follow before full implementation.

At its meeting on Oct. 21, 2024, Orillia Council took a significant step towards enhancing road safety by approving the creation of an Automated Speed Enforcement Program. The City will partner with the Town of Newmarket to implement the program, set to begin in 2025.

Automated speed enforcement programs use cameras and speed measurement devices to detect and record vehicles exceeding the speed limit, particularly in high-risk areas like School Zones and Community Safety Zones. Fines are issued to the registered vehicle owner, with the primary goal of reducing speeding and improving road safety for everyone, without affecting driver demerit points.

After the City executes the agreement for the program, the next steps will involve developing the necessary by-laws, policies, and agreements to support its installation. These by-laws and policies will outline important details such as speed limits in targeted zones, fine structures, and camera locations, and will be brought back to Council for approval before the program is launched. The installation of cameras is expected to be complete by fall of 2025.

The City of Orillia will provide further updates, including specific information on speed limits, fine structures, and the timeline for implementing the program, as more details become available.

For more information, and to sign up to receive updates regarding the implementation of the Automated Speed Enforcement Program, visit orillia.ca/TrafficSafety.

Applications due by Nov. 1 at noon

Call for Indigenous Artists: 'Seven Grandfather Teachings' Public Art Display

The City of Orillia is seeking Indigenous artists to submit artwork for consideration in an upcoming art exhibit at the Orillia Recreation Centre.

The theme for the exhibition is the Seven Grandfather Teachings, which are a set of Anishinaabe guiding principles passed down through generations. Artists are encouraged to submit work that draws inspiration from the seven teachings, including Zaagiwewin (love), Mnaadendmowin (respect), Zoongde'ewin (bravery), Gwekwaadziwin (honesty), Dbasendmowin (humility), Nbwakaawin (wisdom), and Debwewin (truth).

The exhibit will be on display from December 2024 to June 2025 within the lobby of the Orillia Recreation Centre (255 West St. S.) across from the aquatic centre. Participation is free of charge, but space is limited. Applications are available at orillia.ca/indigenousoinitatives.

Call to Artists: Orillia Landscapes Public Art Exhibit

Art to be displayed at Orillia Recreation Centre and Orillia Opera House.

The Art in Public Places Committee (APPC) invites artists to submit artwork for consideration for an upcoming public art exhibit at the Stack Gallery in the Orillia Recreation Centre, 255 West St. S., and the Green Room Gallery at the Orillia Opera House, 20 Mississauga St. W.

Artists are invited to interpret the theme "Orillia Landscapes" and explore Orillia's landscapes, urbanscapes, and/or waterscapes through an artistic and creative lens.

The call to artists is open to those who work or reside in the City of Orillia, Chippewas of Rama First Nation, or the Townships of Oro-Medonte, Ramara or Severn. New or existing works of art will be accepted. The exhibit will run from December 2024 to June 2025.

For more information about the upcoming exhibit, including a submission form, visit orillia.ca/publicart.