

COVID-19 Information

The City of Orillia declared a **State of Emergency** on March 20, 2020 in response to COVID-19 to protect the health and safety of the Orillia community. We are in regular communications with the Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit, Soldiers' Memorial Hospital and the County of Simcoe Health and Emergency Services regarding COVID-19. Information is changing rapidly. For the most current City of Orillia information, please visit orillia.ca/COVID-19.

For updated information related to City of Orillia updates and services, visit orillia.ca/COVID-19. For local health information updates, visit the Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit at simcoemuskokahealth.org. For Provincial information regarding COVID-19, please visit the Province of Ontario's web page at ontario.ca/coronavirus.

City Updates as of May 25

Access to City Services

All City of Orillia operated facilities remain closed to public access with the exception of the Waste Diversion Site, which is open Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and City Centre, which is open from 1:45-4:15 p.m., Monday to Friday, in order to access County of Simcoe Ontario Works. Critical City services, such as water, wastewater, road maintenance, waste collection and fire service, will continue and we are providing services by phone, email, mail and online where possible.

Park Amenities

The City of Orillia continues to follow the direction of the Province of Ontario and is responding accordingly to the province's staged reopening of certain park amenities such as:

- Tennis and pickleball courts
- Disc golf course
- Off-leash dog zones
- Kiwanis Skateboard Park (please see specific restrictions associated with the skateboard park)
- Outdoor picnic areas
- Benches
- Pavilions on a first-come, first-served basis (the City will not be issuing any group rental permits at this time).
- Basketball courts

The City of Orillia reminds residents that all beaches remain closed at this time.

Amenities such as playground equipment and swing sets remain closed. Please adhere to all signage throughout the City's park systems.

Kiwanis Skateboard Park Restrictions

In response to large gatherings occurring at the Kiwanis Skateboard Park, we are now enforcing a limit of 5 users at one time at the park. Physical distancing of 2 metres with those outside of your household must be strictly adhered to.

Waste Diversion Site now Open Saturdays

In order to accommodate residents, Waste Diversion Site hours have been extended to now include Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The site remains closed on Sundays and holidays. Please note the following operating restrictions are in place:

- Debit or credit only. No cash.
- Essential loads only. Please do not bring in items that can be set at the curb like recycling and small loads of tagged garbage.
- Limits of 10 vehicles on the site at the same time.
- While in the lineup of vehicles to get into the landfill, all residents must stay in their vehicles and ensure that they are not blocking traffic on Kitchener Street or West Street.
- Please follow all signage and staff direction to assist in reducing wait times.
- All visitors to the site must maintain a physical distance of two metres (six feet) from anyone else at all times.
- Visitors must follow safety precautions and staff instructions

Emergency Measures By-law

Enforcement measures are in effect through By-law 2020-28 to help protect the health, safety and well-being of Orillia residents. To report individuals who are violating emergency orders, please call the Ontario Provincial Police non-emergency number at 1-888-310-1122. You can also call the City of Orillia COVID-19 Enforcement Hotline at 705-325-2313 (Monday to Sunday, 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.) or email clerks@orillia.ca. Phone call volumes to the enforcement line may require you to leave a voicemail. Complaints received will be investigated and addressed based on priority level and resources available. It is critical that 9-1-1 is used for emergencies only. For details on the by-law, including how to report non-compliance, visit orillia.ca/COVID-19.

City of Orillia Boat Launch Ramps

In light of the Province's announcement on May 14 to allow for the opening of marinas, boat clubs and public boat launches for recreational use, the City has opened the Couchiching Beach boat launch and the Collins Drive boat launch to allow residents to access the water for boating. Users must practice physical distancing of at least two metres (six feet) and adhere to gathering restrictions of no more than five people who are not within their immediate household.

For up-to-date information related to the status City of Orillia services, facilities, and amenities, please visit orillia.ca/COVID-19.

Update

Garage/yard sales are prohibited until July 5, 2020.



Garbage Tag Information Update

Each household is temporarily permitted to place one bag of garbage at the curb without needing a garbage tag until July 5, 2020. Any additional garbage bags require a City of Orillia garbage tag. There is no limit to the number of garbage bags that can be set out with a garbage tag.

Community Assistance Package

Many measures have been put in place to assist Orillia citizens, businesses, and community organizations that are affected by the COVID-19 pandemic.

For detailed information related to City services, including the Community Assistance Package, visit orillia.ca/COVID-19.

Building Permits

In line with provincial regulations, the City of Orillia is now able to issue building permits. As City Centre remains closed, the City will be accepting applications electronically, by courier or by mail slot drop off. Visit orillia.ca/building for full details.



Submit building permit applications via email or the City Centre mail slot. Staff will be processing the building permits.



Once your building permit is ready, payment will be due and staff will contact you to arrange pick-up or delivery.



Do not build without a building permit!

Stay Up-To-Date:

Make sure you receive the latest City of Orillia information by following us on social media and be sure to subscribe to our YouTube channel so you don't miss Mayor Steve Clarke's COVID-19 video updates.



Twitter: @CityofOrillia



YouTube: @TheCityofOrillia



Facebook: @CityOrillia

Orillia Soldiers' Memorial Hospital Information



Orillia COVID-19 Assessment Centre

Location: Kiwanis Building, Hospital campus

Open: 11 a.m. - 7 p.m. (Monday-Friday) and 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. (Saturday and Sunday). You can stay up-to-date with any changes at the assessment centre by visiting: osmh.on.ca/covid-19.

If you would like to donate Personal Protective Equipment to the hospital, please contact Lisa Wanamaker at lwanamaker@osmh.on.ca.

Provincial Updates

The City of Orillia continues to follow provincial direction related to business operations within the City. For up-to-date information, please visit ontario.ca/coronavirus.

Important Dates

Upcoming Meetings

Monday, June 1: No Meeting

Monday, June 8: No Meeting

Monday, June 15: Annual Orillia Power Corporation Shareholder Meeting

Monday, June 15: Council Committee and Council

Monday, June 22: No Meeting

Monday, June 29: No Meeting

In an effort to encourage physical distancing, meetings will be electronic only. Residents are encouraged to watch the meetings on Rogers TV or online. Full agenda packages and the streaming link are available at orillia.ca. For further information contact the Office of the City Clerk at 705-325-1311 or clerks@orillia.ca.

Job Opportunities

Probationary Fire Fighters, Fire Department
Closing: July 3, 2020

Please note: Recruitment and interviews are beginning to commence again. Please visit orillia.ca/employment for a list/status of all positions.

New eBidding Module



As part of its continuous modernization efforts, the City of Orillia has launched an eBidding module.

All bids posted require electronic submissions through the eBidding module; no paper submissions will be accepted. Visit the website at orillia.bidsandtenders.ca.

Orillia Cares

By helping spread positivity within our community, we can help bring us all closer together. Share a story on social media that made you smile and use the hashtag #OrilliaCares and tag the City of Orillia. Then challenge three of your friends to do the same! Remember, we're in this together and we will get through this together.

Special Notice



For businesses who have been closed for some time and are in the process of re-opening, please remember to run the taps of your establishment for at least 15 minutes in order to flush out any potential stagnant water in the pipes. For a step-by-step process on this, please visit orillia.ca/news.