

# OLIVER NEWS

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## GROW OLIVER

The Grow Oliver initiative has been focusing its efforts on Downtown Revitalization and Wayfinding Signage as we start to open up again. We are happy to share that we have received funding money from ETSI-BC and the Province, and we are thankful to be able to complete a study with project ideas, and costs for beautifying our downtown core as well as creating a Directional Signage Strategy to help people find their way. We have retained the services of EcoPlan, the Consulting Firm that completed our comprehensive Local Economic Development Strategy in 2019.

EcoPlan has started their research and will be organizing several occasions for the community to provide feedback in the upcoming months. We want to know what improvements you would like to see in our downtown core and what signage you feel will be helpful to show people which direction to go and to help highlight what our community has to offer. So, keep an eye out for those opportunities for us to gather as a community and work together to create our vision for this project.

Please visit our website [www.oliver.ca](http://www.oliver.ca) for all the details on our Grow Oliver Strategy under the BUILDING, BUSINESS and DEVELOPMENT section.



## STAGE 1

### WATER RESTRICTIONS FOR OUTDOOR WATERING

Oliver withdraws domestic and irrigation water from groundwater and surface water sources. Ensuring long-term sustainability of these water sources is of utmost importance to the Town.

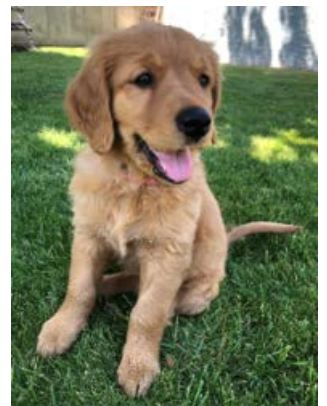
- Domestic water users (metered water) are asked to restrict their irrigating to three days a week using even and odd house numbering as a guideline. Odd numbered houses Monday, Wednesday, & Saturday only. Even Numbered houses Tuesday, Friday, & Sunday only.
- Irrigation Water Users (Farms and Businesses) should consider reducing water use where they can at this time.

**Restrictions can change at any time. Please continue to visit our website [oliver.ca](http://oliver.ca)**

## FRIENDLY REMINDER:

**Please pick up after your dog.** Please keep sidewalks, paths, parks and trails clean by picking up after your pet and disposing of the bag in a garbage can. Subject to a \$50 fine.

Questions  
[bylaw@oliver.ca](mailto:bylaw@oliver.ca)  
250-485-6251



## FIRE SMART YOUR HOME

Is your home in a wildfire environment? There are surprisingly easy steps you can take to make your home FireSmart, from cleaning your roof, gutter and trimming any branches overhanging on to your roof, to moving firewood and propane 10-30 metres away from your home. Download the guide at [firesmartbc.ca](http://firesmartbc.ca) (or visit TownHall to pick one up).

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## BOULEVARDS AND DRIVEWAYS

Thinking of altering your boulevard or driveway?  
Please call the Town to discuss your options.

The Town will determine if you can plant or install landscaping, such as grass, turf, flowers, bedding or low shrubs on your boulevard.

Low-lying drought resistant plants are a great way to add curb appeal and conserve water.



When adding or changing a driveway there are a number of items that must be taken into consideration.

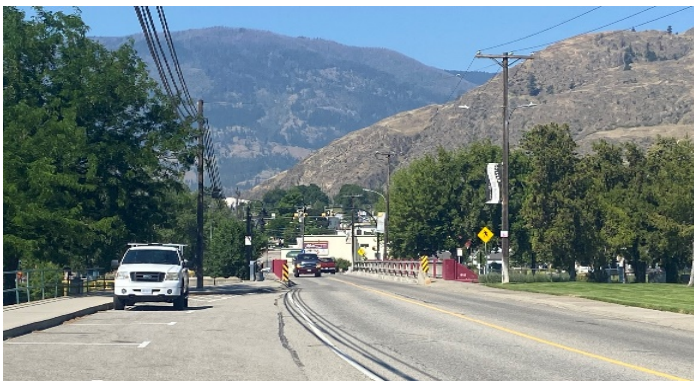
- ✓ Is there a rationale for a new or wider driveway?
- ✓ What is the current width?
- ✓ What is the new width?
- ✓ Where will the storm water go?
- ✓ Are there sight-line implications?
- ✓ Will the new driveway be close to an intersection?

## FAIRVIEW BRIDGE MAINTENANCE

Bridge maintenance work on the Fairview Vehicle Bridge, above ground and under the bridge, is scheduled until August 21<sup>st</sup>. Expect periodic traffic delays, traffic interruptions, sidewalk closures and sidewalk detours.

Parking stalls, along Park Drive to the entrance of Parks and Recreation, will be temporarily closed to the public during this time. Town staff will provide more information and updates once the work commences.

We thank the public for being patient during this project. Questions? [works@oliver.ca](mailto:works@oliver.ca) 250-485-6213



## ANNUAL REPORT 2020



The Town of Oliver's 2020 Annual Report is now available for public inspection at Town Hall or online at [oliver.ca](http://oliver.ca) > Town Hall > Guiding Documents

## COMPOSTING

The Harvest Hut has partnered with Fillosophy and Sagebrush Nursery to bring a much-anticipated and much-needed composting program to Oliver!

### How It Works:

Drop off your home compost (Start with fruits and veggies, teabags, coffee grounds, washed eggshells, old flowers).

PLEASE NO meat, bones, fats and dairy products.

Compost collected will go to a farm in our community to be repurposed and used as nutrients for future crops.

If you don't have a home countertop bin, ask the Harvest Hut volunteers for a container.

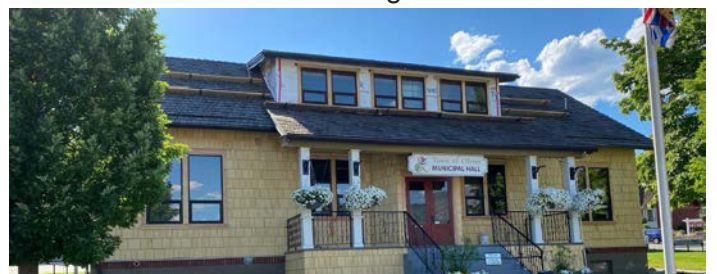
After you've emptied your bin, rinse and dry it before starting a new week.

Harvest Hut is open on Mondays from 5pm - 7pm (location is the Kinsmen Spray Park at 255 Fairview Road).

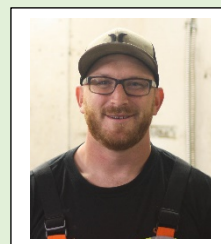


## TOWN HALL FACE LIFT

Oliver Town Hall restoration continues! Crews are installing the new cedar shake siding on the building to replicate as close as possible the original shake material that was deteriorating.



## MEET OUR STAFF: Zak Kaidanek



Department? Public Works  
 What do you do for the Town? Maintenance Worker  
 Favorite Food? El Salvadoran  
 What are your hobbies?  
 Snowboarding, Fishing and Board Games  
 Your favorite movie? Empire Strikes Back  
 What would you like us to

know about you? I have worked for the Town for 7 years and am recently married.

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