

OLIVER NEWS

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FIRE SMART YOUR HOME

Is your home in a wildfire environment? 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, there are surprisingly easy steps you can take to make your home FireSmart.

Have a wildfire evacuation plan within your household. Do not wing it. Having a simple evacuation plan is easy to do, and makes a world of difference. The best thing about being FireSmart is how easy it is. The homes that are prepared are the homes left standing. Download the guide at FireSmart BC (or visit Town Hall to pick one up).

ONLINE PAYMENTS





WATER SMART AMBASSADOR

McGill undergraduate student Conor is the Town of Oliver's first Water Ambassador. He will be out in the community this summer at events and in neighbourhoods, working to help raise awareness of the importance of water conservation, and to let people know how they can do their part to protect one of our most critical — and most threatened resources: Water! Here's a picture of Conor with the e-Bike that he will be out-and-about on — keep an eye out for him in the community, and don't forget to say hi!

2022 MUNICIPAL ELECTION



STATION STREET PLAZA

The Station Street Plaza will be a major addition to the Town of Oliver, with an ability for residents and visitors to gather outside, attend seasonal events, farmer's markets, an outdoor art gallery as well as several other potential uses. Construction will start in September.

The Town has been successful in receiving a Federal grant for \$600,000 towards the construction cost of the plaza. A formal announcement of the funding is likely to take place in the near future. The total cost of the plaza is estimated at \$800,000 - \$1,000,000.

The design features a 10,000ft² outdoor plaza with wood benches, adirondack chairs, and a small path connection to the hike and bike trail. A tree preservation plan is currently underway to determine if the existing mature trees can be retained. It is anticipated that the grade of the plaza will need to be raised by 2ft due to the high water table at this corner of the property. It is also anticipated that the existing fence separating this area from the hike and bike path will be removed during this phase. The community pavilion and possible restaurant addition to the Coast Hotel will occur in future phases. Visit: www.oliver.ca >Town Services> Capital Projects.



COLLECTION SCHEDULE

Make sure your tenants know about garbage, recycling and yard waste dates by passing on the included collection schedule to them.



VOYENT ALERT!



Save water and help your garden!



MAKE WATER WORK SMARTER IN YOUR YARD.

- Water between dusk and dawn. Putting water to work during the coolest part of the day prevents evaporation. A good rule of thumb is water between 10 p.m. and 6 a.m.
- **Get a timer!** Most hardware store supply times for sprinklers. Sleep like a baby while your water works the night shift.
- Sprinkle vour lawn or garden, not vour pavement. Don't let water waste your time, effort and money!
- Okanagan water works best with plants suitable for our dry climate drough-tolerant turf, native and low-water plants.
- Leave grass 2 3 inches tall (5-8cm). Water stays longer when grass is longer
- One inch a week of water will do! Most lawns need just 2.5cm (one inch) of water per week about the depth of a tuna can.
- Collect and use rainwater. It's free!

Check out Make Water Work Plant Collection, including 105 perennials, grasses, trees, and shrubs https://www.makewaterwork.ca/plants/.









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