



LADYSMITH LINKS

OCTOBER 2026



UTILITY BILLS DUE NOVEMBER 26, 2026

Utility Bills for the period of July to September are due November 26, 2026. We encourage you to pay online through your financial institution. However, payments can be made in person at City Hall using debit, cash or cheque, by mail or by using our after-hours drop box.

If you have questions about your bill, please call 250.245.6400 or e-mail billing@ladysmith.ca.



FALL YARD WASTE PICKUP OCTOBER 19 - 23

The Town of Ladysmith, in partnership with our contractor, GFL Environmental, is pleased to announce that Fall Yard Waste Collection will take place October 19-23, 2026. Collection will occur on the regularly scheduled day of pickup, along with garbage/recycling and organics.

What you can set out for collection:

Yard Waste: Up to 10 yard waste bags or reusable bins, no larger than 77L and under 44lbs (20kg).

Sticks: Up to 2 bundles, each no longer than 3' in length and 2" in diameter, tied with cotton string. Bundles must weigh less than 44lbs (20kg).

Accepted materials:

- Leaves
- Grass clippings
- Flowers
- Non-invasive plants
- Tree or hedge clippings
- Small branches (up to 2" diameter, max 44lbs/20kg)

If rain is expected, place paper bags at the curb only on the morning of collection.

BUDGET MEETINGS SCHEDULE

Council will review the 2027 budget over the coming months, before adopting the Financial Plan Bylaws in early 2027.

Community members are encouraged to share their input by attending the council meetings listed below or by submitting written comments to Council.

November 17, 2026 - Water & Sewer - Operating & Capital and Introduction to General Operations

December 1, 2026 - Introduction to General Capital Projects; Water & Sewer Rate Bylaws introduced

December 15, 2026 - Anticipated adoption of Water & Sewer Rate Bylaws and early budget approvals

Town of Ladysmith General Local Election 2026

YOUR VOTE MATTERS!

Vote for a **Mayor** and **six (6) Councillors** who will represent the Town of Ladysmith for the next four years, as well as **School Trustees** for the local school district.

ADVANCE VOTING DAYS	
Wednesday, October 7 City Hall (410 Esplanade) 8:00 am until 8:00 pm	Wednesday, October 14 City Hall (410 Esplanade) 8:00 am until 8:00 pm

GENERAL VOTING DAY

Saturday, October 17
Frank Jameson Community Centre (810 - 6th Avenue)
8:00 am until 8:00 pm

For more information on the 2026 Election, including Frequently Asked Questions, visit our website at www.ladysmith.ca/election or scan the QR code.

TOWN NEWS YOU CAN USE

Water Restrictions

The Town's water restrictions are actively changing as the amount of rainfall increases. Keep up to date with current restrictions and drought levels on our website www.ladysmith.ca/our-services/water

Emergency and Routine Notifications through the CVRD

Sign up for the Cowichan Valley Regional District (CVRD) Emergency Alert Registration service to receive information on Evacuation Routes, Alerts and Orders and available/open ESS Reception Centres. To register, visit www.cowichanalert.ca

SIGN UP FOR OUR ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTER

Choose the information that matters most to you and stay informed with convenient electronic updates from the Town. Receive important updates directly in your inbox, including: City Hall News, Parks, Recreation & Culture Updates, and Emergency Information.

Ways to subscribe:

 **Call:** 250.245.6400

 **Online:** Visit www.ladysmith.ca and scroll to the bottom of the home page to add your information

 **E-mail:** info@ladysmith.ca

ELECTRIC KICK SCOOTERS NOW PERMITTED IN LADYSMITH

The Town of Ladysmith is participating in B.C.'s Electric Kick Scooter Pilot Project, which means electric kick scooters can be used on public roads in Ladysmith, subject to provincial and local rules.

If you're riding an electric kick scooter, remember:

- You must be 16 years or older
- You must wear an approved safety helmet
- You must obey all posted signs and traffic signals
- You must not ride while impaired by alcohol or drugs
- You must not use a cellphone or other electronic device while riding

The pilot project allows BC to test and evaluate kick scooter use. The Province will use the results to help determine whether electric kick scooters should be authorized for permanent use in BC.

For more information about the pilot project, including requirements for electric kick scooters and additional rules for riders, scan the QR code or visit <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/transportation/driving-and-cycling/cycling/personal-mobility-devices/scooter>



CATCH BASIN CLEANUP

Fall is officially here and with such beautiful trees in our community comes the inevitable mess of falling leaves.

With the rainy season upon us, help keep the catch basins clear of leaves and debris. While out and about, if you see a catch basin covered with leaves, please take a moment to give it a quick sweep and help keep the rainwater flowing!





DATES TO REMEMBER



OCTOBER
17 General Election Day



NOVEMBER
3 Inaugural Council Meeting



NOVEMBER
26 Ladysmith Festival of Lights

HALLOWEEN FIREWORKS

Ladysmith residents interested in discharging fireworks on Halloween night must use the application and permitting process that is being administered by the Town.

The Family Fireworks Permit Application fee is \$10. Separate permit classes, fees and insurance requirements apply for display fireworks and pyrotechnics.

You can obtain application forms at Ladysmith City Hall, located at 410 Esplanade, during business hours (Monday to Friday, 8:30 am - 4:00 pm). Forms are also available by e-mailing info@ladysmith.ca. Once completed, the forms can be submitted and paid for in person at City Hall.

Please note that all fireworks permit applications are due at least 3 business days before the event to be approved by the Fire Chief. Permit approvals are subject to current Coastal Fire Bans and any corresponding restrictions.

WE VALUE YOUR FEEDBACK

If you have comments, questions or suggestions, or you just want to know what's going on, there are many ways to get in touch.

-  Send an E-mail to info@ladysmith.ca
-  Mail a Note to Town of Ladysmith City Hall, 410 Esplanade, Box 220, Ladysmith, B.C. V9G 1A2
-  Follow us on Facebook / [Town of Ladysmith](#)
-  Follow us on Instagram / [ladysmithbc](#)
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