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**Meetings to go**

Interested in attending a Spruce Grove City Council meeting or Committee of the Whole meeting, but not able to make it to City Hall? We’ve got you covered. The City posts podcasts of every meeting online the day following the meeting. Depending on your browser type and viewing device, the podcast file will either be downloaded directly to your desktop or streamed over the Internet. For more information and the three most recent podcasts, visit [www.sprucegrove.org/podcast](http://www.sprucegrove.org/podcast).

**Council meeting dates at a glance**

Spruce Grove City Council meetings and Committee of the Whole meetings typically occur on Monday evenings (or Tuesday, if the Monday is a statutory holiday), starting at 5 p.m. in council chambers on the third floor of City Hall. All council meetings are open to the public. Dates can change so for the most up-to-date council meeting calendar, visit [www.sprucegrove.org/calendar](http://www.sprucegrove.org/calendar).
Welcome to summer in Spruce Grove! It’s the time of year when the city truly comes alive, as residents emerge from their homes after a long winter hibernation, anxious to soak up the sunshine, reconnect with family and friends, and take advantage of the many exciting events and activities that are happening just outside their front door.

The warm weather and long summer days make it an ideal time of year to go on an adventure right here in Spruce Grove and with so much going on, there’s no excuse not to go exploring! A popular destination for many residents is the City’s annual Canada Day Celebration held on July 1 in Jubilee Park (see page 10). And this year is sure to be extra special, as it’s also Canada’s 150th anniversary of Confederation, so make plans to join the party and celebrate what it means to be Canadian!

If you’d prefer an adventure that you can extend throughout the summer, check out the special Parks Playbook in this issue of CityPulse (see page 15). We’re highlighting 10 of our local parks and playgrounds and inviting you to visit them over the coming months. As an added incentive, we’re including a contest that will test your knowledge of the featured parks and the grand prize is a family photo session (and wouldn’t a local park make a great backdrop?)!

One destination that is sure to be hopping this summer is the new spray park in Jubilee Park (see page 28). Expected to open in July, this much-anticipated amenity has more than 50 interactive and integrated play features including a toddler zone and two family zones. A perfect place to spend a sunny afternoon, bring your swimsuits (yes, there are change rooms!), sunscreen and towels and get ready to beat the heat.

Or, if you’re more of a homebody, you can still enjoy the season in your own back yard. Perhaps you have plans to build a deck or install a new hot tub to make your yard your own private sanctuary. Just keep in mind that before you begin any construction or home improvement projects, you need to check with the City to determine if you need any permits (see page 32).

Organizing a block party (see page 9) is another great way to have an adventure that involves the entire neighbourhood! Simply register your party with the City and receive a helpful guide that includes invitations, icebreaker activities and a contact list. Then roll out the barbecues, pull out the lawn chairs and meet the other people who live on your street.

Our friends at the Spruce Grove and District Agricultural Society, the Spruce Grove Chamber of Commerce and the Spruce Grove City Centre Business Association also plan some great events throughout the summer, including a heritage carnival and harvest fair at the Spruce Grove Grain Elevator Museum site and monthly markets, the Taste of Spruce Grove and Cruise Nights in the city centre. Check out their social media accounts for more details and stop by any or all of their events for some fantastic summer fun.

It’s shaping up to be a fun-filled summer in the city so get out and have an adventure right here in your community of choice. We look forward to seeing you out and about in Spruce Grove!
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   June 12 – 16
   www.sprucegrove.org/largeitem

Shred-4-Free
   June 17
   www.sprucegrove.org/shred

Canada Day Celebration
   July 1
   Jubilee Park
   www.sprucegrove.org/celebrate

Tri-Municipal Region’s Registration Fair
   Aug. 24
   6 – 8:30 p.m.
   TransAlta Tri Leisure Centre
   www.sprucegrove.org/infofair
Council considers proposal for multi-use facility

*Concept would spearhead largest development in City’s history*

A concept for a new venue that would be capable of hosting concerts, conferences, graduation ceremonies and sporting tournaments is currently being considered by Spruce Grove City Council.

The proposal, which is to develop a $79 million Multi-Use Sport and Event Centre on the Westwind Centre lands, was brought forward to city council this past March.
The proposed municipally-owned facility would feature:

- A large spectator bowl that can accommodate up to 5,300 people (3,500 fixed seating expandable to 5,300 for concerts and similar events);
- A community ice pad that could fit up to 200 spectators seated or standing;
- A main concourse with access to seating, washrooms and concessions; and
- Private suites that will be available for the spectator bowl.

The main spectator bowl could be reconfigured to accommodate a variety of events, including craft fairs, trade shows, memorials, awards ceremonies and musical performances, while the smaller surface would be dedicated for community recreational use.

This type of multi-use facility aligns with the City’s original vision for the Westwind development, which is located along Yellowhead Highway and the Century Road interchange, to be a major regional commercial, hospitality and entertainment destination.

With the community’s rapid growth, it also addresses the need for additional ice surfaces as well as space for both local and commercial events.

The City is currently working with a variety of potential partners to investigate funding options and opportunities. The intent is to design the funding model so there is no tax increase to ratepayers in Spruce Grove.

The event centre is connected to the larger overall development of Westwind Centre that will include office buildings, retailers, restaurants, an entertainment centre, transit park and ride, and residential development.

It is expected city council will vote on whether or not to proceed with the project in January 2018. If the project moves forward, the facility is expected to open in the fall of 2020.

For more information on the proposed Multi-Use Sport and Event Centre, visit www.sprucegrove.org/SEC.
Timberlake for mayor!

Grade 6 students participate in mock election

A group of local Grade 6 students elected Justin Timberlake as Spruce Grove’s mayor in a mock election designed to teach them about municipal elections and the voting process.

City staff organized the mock election day, held on March 7, for approximately 450 students from five area schools. The event included an overview of municipal government and city council, as well as information on running for office, who can vote in an election and how to complete a ballot.

“This is the first time we have organized a full-day mock election for area students,” said Carolynn Grey, Deputy City Clerk. “We viewed it as a great opportunity to teach them about elections and the voting process to hopefully help form the habit of citizen engagement at an early age.”

It also connected with Grade 6 school curriculum on elections and voting. Prior to the mock election, teachers were provided with a list of candidates and their platforms so they could discuss them in class and talk with students about making an educated vote.

As part of the mock election, students were able to complete a real ballot to vote for the offices of mayor and aldermen. The ballots were electronically tabulated on site using the same type of equipment that is used during a real election to provide students with an authentic experience.

OFFICIAL RESULTS FOR THE 2017 STUDENT MOCK ELECTION

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Spruce Grove residents will officially go to the voting station this fall for the upcoming municipal election. Voters will elect one mayor and six aldermen to a four year term.

Candidate registration
Candidates who intend to run for a spot on Spruce Grove City Council in this fall’s municipal election and plan to accept campaign contributions must register as a candidate before accepting any campaign contributions. The registration form is available online at www.sprucegrove.org/election.

Important dates:
Monday, Sept. 18 – Nomination Day
Candidates must file their nomination forms in person (by the candidate or a representative) between 10 a.m. and 12 p.m. at City Hall. Nomination forms must be signed by 25 eligible voters to be accepted and must be accompanied by a deposit of $100 in the form of a certified cheque, money order or cash.

Monday, Oct. 16 – Election Day
Voting stations will be open from 6:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. Station locations and voter identification requirements will be made available in the coming months. Advance voting options will also be available – stay tuned for dates and locations.

For the most up-to-date election information visit www.sprucegrove.org/election.
Party time
A block party is the perfect opportunity for neighbours to come together, meet each other and have fun! Friendships amongst neighbours result in safer, more caring communities. When you register your event with the City's Block Party program, you will receive a helpful kit full of tips and tools to make your party a success. As well, there are a limited number of $100 food vouchers available, courtesy of Spruce Grove FCSS and Safe City, for eligible parties held between May 20 and Sept. 10.

www.sprucegrove.org/blockparty

Summer storage
If you own a recreational vehicle, you are permitted to park it on an authorized driveway in your front or side yard between May 1 and Oct. 31. The RV must be safely parked and can’t project onto the sidewalk or street, or create a negative impact on your neighbours’ enjoyment of their property.

www.sprucegrove.org/RVstorage

Transit service
Spruce Grove’s commuter transit service offers weekday service to Edmonton during morning and afternoon peak hours. Route 560 includes stops at NAIT, MacEwan University and Edmonton’s downtown core. Route 562 provides service to West Edmonton Mall, the South Campus/Fort Edmonton Park LRT station and Acheson Industrial Area (south). Transit passes are available at City Hall, the Border Paving Athletic Centre (credit card or debit only) and several local retailers.

www.sprucegrove.org/transit

Doggy ID
The City has recently introduced new dog identification regulations. A municipal licence is no longer required, but dog owners must identify their animals with a tag that displays a current phone number and the tag must be attached to a collar or harness that is worn by the dog when off the owner’s property.

www.sprucegrove.org/pets

Bargain hunt
Love the thrill of finding a bargain? Or are you looking to unclutter your basement? Either way, take advantage of the City’s free garage sale advertising program to promote and find garage sales in Spruce Grove.

www.sprucegrove.org/garagesales

Don’t forget!
Annual tax payments are due by June 30, 2017, and supplementary taxes are due 30 days after the mailing date. Payment options include pre-authorized monthly instalments, by mail, at City Hall or through your financial institution. And don’t delay – a penalty of 2.5 per cent of the unpaid balance is applied to your bill for each month that payment is not received.

www.sprucegrove.org/taxpayments
CITY OF SPRUCE GROVE

CANADA DAY
Celebration

JULY 1, 2017 – JUBILEE PARK
Join us for a full day of fun as we celebrate Canada’s 150th anniversary of Confederation!

Getting there >>>>

The Canada Day Celebration is held at Jubilee Park, located at 510 Grove Dr., east of Jubilee Village. There is no on-site parking and parking in the nearby residential areas is discouraged (and could result in a tow and a ticket!). There are several alternate ways you can get to the celebration.

Walk
Enjoy the many trails that lead to Jubilee Park or park in Greystone Centennial Middle School’s transit lot, located at 130 Greystone Dr., and walk to the celebration.

On two wheels
Hop on a bike and ride down to Jubilee Park. There will be several bike racks on site or you can wheel into the manned bike valet.

Accessible parking
Accessible parking with shuttle service will be available in front of Greystone Centennial Middle School. A limited amount of wheelchairs are available on site.

Park and ride
A free park and ride service will run approximately every 20 to 30 minutes. The school buses will be able to transport strollers for the ride.

No animals, with the exception of service dogs, are permitted on the buses.

Visit www.sprucegrove.org/parkandride for locations.

NEW drop off location! This year the park and ride drop off location at Jubilee Park will be in the Greenbury neighbourhood, along Greenbury Boulevard. Bus departures from Jubilee Park will continue to be located along Grove Drive.

www.sprucegrove.org/celebrate
Volunteer!

Be part of the excitement! Volunteers make great events possible and we need you to assist with Spruce Grove’s Canada Day Celebration. Opportunities exist for individuals and non-profit organizations to take part.

Volunteer opportunities include:

• Pre-event set up and post-event tear down
• Helping with KidZone
• Hosts
• Bus greeters
• Monitoring park and ride sites
• Providing on-site traffic control

Looking for a fundraiser? Groups have an opportunity to earn funds for volunteering through the Community Service Partnership Program, an initiative that allows groups to donate time in exchange for an honorarium. For more information, email events@sprucegrove.org or visit www.sprucegrove.org/CDvolunteer.

Planning your day

Have a safe and enjoyable time at the Canada Day Celebration. When planning your day, please keep these tips in mind:

• All events are outdoors, so check the weather forecast before you leave, dress appropriately and be prepared.
• Dog owners are strongly encouraged to leave their pets at home.
• Smoking is only permitted in designated smoking areas on the site.
• Alcohol is not permitted outside of the designated beverage tent.
• Fire pits will be closed for the day of the celebration.
• Bring cash and/or your bank card. Most vendors only take cash; ATMs will be on site.
• Bring a reusable water bottle to fill up on site.

It’s the sesquicentennial!

The sesqui-what?
The ses•qui•cen•ten•ni•al.
We know it’s a mouthful. It means 150th anniversary, and because 2017 marks the 150th anniversary of Confederation, this year is Canada’s sesquicentennial. Now try saying that 10 times fast!

Did you know?
The City of Spruce Grove has planted the Canada 150 tulip, also known as the Maple Leaf tulip, throughout the community! Look for this beautiful tulip, which blooms in the colours of Canada’s flag, in Jubilee Park, Columbus Park, Central Park, around the Fire Hall and City Hall, and along Highway 16A east.

Giving back

Everyone is encouraged to bring a non-perishable food item or cash donation for the Parkland Food Bank. Donation boxes will be available near the information tents. Together we can make a big difference as we gather to celebrate our community and Canada’s 150th anniversary!
What’s new this year?

To celebrate Canada’s 150th anniversary of Confederation, we’ve decided to bring some NEW activities to the party! We’ll still have many of our popular favourites, including the climbing wall, laser tag, crafts, face painting and a photo booth, but we’re also very excited to welcome some new activities to Jubilee Park this year that will appeal to people of all ages!

Spray park grand opening
9:15 a.m.
Celebrate the official grand opening of the new spray park in Jubilee Park! Watch the ribbon cutting ceremony and then get ready to splash around and cool down as the park will open to the public for the first time on Canada Day. Be sure to bring a towel and dry clothes to play on the inflatables after splashing!

Bump, Set, Spike volleyball tournament
9:30 a.m.
Come out and play in a grass tournament open to players ages 16 years and up. It will be a double elimination, coed format where two females must be on the court at all times. There will also be one volleyball court open for spontaneous play throughout the day.
For costs and registration information visit: www.sprucegrove.org/bumpsetspike

Orbit Bubble Sports Ltd.
10 a.m. to 8 p.m.
Try a crazy game of bubble sports! There will be structured games in the AdventureZone for big kids of all ages and unstructured games in the KidZone for younger kids to “learn the ropes” of bubble sports.

PGA on Wheels
10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
It doesn’t matter if you’re a regular on the course, or if you’ve never held a golf club in your life! Stop by the PGA on Wheels, meet a local golf pro and test your skills. Organized by the Professional Golfers’ Association of Alberta, which represents more than 550 golf professionals in Alberta, this event will include kids golf activities, putting competitions, chipping contests and complimentary lessons!

Orienteering
10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Unscramble letters, search for clues and learn about Canada. Join in the fun of a Canada 150 “scavenger” hunt. Go solo finding clues, challenge a friend, try it as a group or take part as a family. It’s sure to be a lot of fun and takes part entirely in Jubilee Park!

ParticipACTION 150 Play List
This summer be sure to participate in the ParticipACTION 150 Play List program to celebrate Canada’s heritage! The Play List includes a range of activities, from soccer and football to jumping rope and cycling, that you can complete right here in Spruce Grove. Sign up for your Play List account and get ready to participate at www.participaction.com. Check off a few items at the Canada Day Celebration!
Canada Day Celebration Guide

Watch for the Canada Day Celebration Guide, arriving in mailboxes in mid-June. It will have all the information you need to celebrate Canada’s 150th anniversary in Jubilee Park!

**Toddler Tent**

A new feature for parents and young tots. Check out the Toddler Tent in the KidZone to enjoy toys and games appropriate for younger children who want to join in the fun. Make a craft or play with outdoor toys suitable for wee ones.

**Paint It**

Celebrate Canada Day by painting a canvas with friends. Paint the official tulip of Canada’s 150th anniversary representing gratitude and the long-standing friendship between Canada and the Netherlands. The Dutch designed the red and white flower in celebration of the sesquicentennial. Take home a beautiful reminder of Canada 150.

No previous painting experience is required to attend, but participants must be 16 years of age or older.

For costs, times and registration information visit: www.letsrelax.ca

**Children’s entertainment**

**Tiny Islands:**

*At the Mardi Gras*

10 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 4:15 p.m. on the Community Stage

There’s no better way to introduce kids to an exciting variety of musical instruments than through the upbeat, can’t-sit-still jazz of the 1920s and ‘30s. Masterful musicians Tim and Nathan Sars engage music lovers of all ages with irresistible tunes by jazz greats like Louis Armstrong, Cab Calloway and Fats Waller.

Born into a musical family, veteran leader of Vancouver’s inimitable Carnival Band Tim Sars has over a decade of experience entertaining kids and their families with fun, spirited and participatory music. When Tim teams up with his brother Nathan and two more musicians they become the quartet called Tiny Islands. Clap along, sing along, and get up and dance along!

**Fireworks**

11 p.m.

These may not be new, but be prepared for a thrilling end to the evening with our largest fireworks display ever!

For a FULL list of all the great entertainment, as well as the food and product vendors that will be on site, visit www.sprucegrove.org/celebrate.
Mainstage entertainment
Wrap up your Canada Day festivities by enjoying some fantastic entertainment on the Beaverbrook Mainstage. This year we are kicking the entertainment level up a notch with three fabulous groups that will keep the party going and the energy flowing from 7 to 11 p.m.

Krystle Dos Santos and The Black Mambas
Motown/R & B
7 to 8 p.m.
Krystle Dos Santos and The Black Mambas will start the night off right with their upbeat, eclectic Motown and R & B music. With the majority of the band based in Edmonton, fans will recognize them from performances at Blues on Whyte, The Citadel Theatre and the Edmonton Jazz Festival. Lead singer Dos Santos is an accomplished singer/songwriter and performer with an equally successful solo career. A graduate of the Canadian College of Performing Arts, she released her debut, award winning album in 2008, and has been honing her craft for nearly a decade since then.
Presented by the Horizon Stagelighters

Captain Tractor
Celtic/Rock/Folk
8 to 9 p.m.
In keeping with the local theme, popular Edmonton-based Celtic/rock/folk/punk-influenced band Captain Tractor will get everyone up and dancing. Formed in 1993, Captain Tractor’s current members Chris Wynters, Scott Peters, Jason Kodie, Shannon Johnson, Jon Nordstrom, and Jules Mounteer are all active in the city’s music and culture scene. With a sound that’s similar to Great Big Sea, The Pogues and Spirit of the West, Captain Tractor’s original music is rich in local, cultural and geographical reference. They have developed a following for their brand of Canadian rock, with singles such as “Up the Hill”, “Frozen Puck to the Head” and “The Bastard of Strathcona County”.
Presented by the Horizon Stagelighters

The Trews
Rock Music
9:30 to 11 p.m.
Keeping the energy high and ending the night with a bang will be one of Canada’s most successful rock bands of the past decade, The Trews. Comprised of lead vocalist/guitarist Colin MacDonald, lead guitarist John-Angus MacDonald, bassist Jack Syperek and drummer Gavin Maguire, The Trews have 17 Top 10 Rock radio singles (including two #1s) and two Gold-certified albums to their credit. The quartet has received multiple East Coast Music Awards, a CIMA Road Gold Award, an Independent Music Award (US) and numerous JUNO Award nominations. Hit songs include “Not Ready to Go”, “Hold Me In Your Arms”, “Hope & Ruin”, “Highway of Heroes” and “Tired of Waiting”. The band recently released Time Capsule, a collection of their best loved songs from the past 12 years plus four new tracks. The Trews have played over 1,000 shows worldwide on their own as well as supporting the Rolling Stones, KISS, Robert Plant, Guns ’n Roses, Kid Rock and Bruce Springsteen.
Presented by Horizon Stage
SPRUCE GROVE PARKS PLAYBOOK

Visit 10 parks, capture your experiences and enter to win!
Get centred at CENTRAL PARK!

As its name suggests, Central Park is centrally located in Spruce Grove and is a year-round hub for recreation and physical activity. The park is home to various annual events, including the City’s popular Christmas in Central Park, and has been a community focal point during tourist events, like the Tour of Alberta in 2015.

Where do I find it: 450 King Street

Features
- Inside the Lions Log Cabin, which is home to the Spruce Grove FCSS Youth Mentorship Program, is a concession that sells snacks, including ice cream and cold drinks. The concession is open Tuesday to Friday (4 to 8 p.m.) and Saturday (1 to 8 p.m.).
- In the southwest corner of Central Park is a community fire pit that is open to the public on a first-come, first-served basis. A small amount of wood is stocked weekly at the fire pit, but you are welcome to bring your own.
- Smack dab in the centre of Central Park, and surrounded by grass, picnic tables and benches, is one of Spruce Grove’s splash pads. The splash pad is activated by a hand sensor and is open daily from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.
- Find the City’s Awards of Excellence recognition feature nestled amongst the trees and learn about the outstanding individuals from Spruce Grove who have made significant achievements in their field on a national or international level.
- Located in the northeast corner of Central Park is the skate park. Built to accommodate up to 40 users at a time, the park is open to skateboarders and trick bike riders of all skill levels.

What I enjoyed most about Central Park:

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#SpruceGroveParksPlaybook

Please note: all City parks are open daily from 6 a.m. to 11 p.m. Park features with specific hours are identified as required.
Monkey around at
HENDERSON PARK!

Located in the northwest corner of Spruce Grove, Henderson Park is perfect for children who like to climb and monkey around.

Where do I find it: 201 Harvest Ridge Drive

Features
- Henderson Park features play equipment designed for children ages five to 12 with swings for ages 18 months to 12 years.
- Kids can hang from the monkey bars or climb the park’s five climbing components, which includes a mini rock wall, tree inspired ladders and a leafy vine climber that is similar to a free-standing set of stairs.
- Children can test their balance on Henderson Park’s balance beam or take turns pushing the merry-go-round while their friends sit back for a leisurely ride.
- Make your way over to the park’s mushroom shaped table and chairs to sit and stay a while. This is a great place to rest while you choose what to explore next, especially if the merry-go-round leaves you feeling dizzy!
- Find a set of bongos in the park, keep the rhythm and make music for all to enjoy.

What I enjoyed most about Henderson Park:

INSTAGRAM AND WIN!
- Post a photo on Instagram of you and your family enjoying one of the parks featured in the Parks Playbook.
- Tag @cityofsprucegrove and use the hashtag #SpruceGroveParksPlaybook.
- You’ll be entered to win a Spruce Grove prize pack!

Photos must be posted by Sept. 1, 2017.
Walk the plank at **FIELDSTONE PARK!**

Located in the north side of Spruce Grove, Fieldstone Park is a quiet neighbourhood park with playground equipment suitable for all ages.

**Where do I find it:** 18 Linkside Court

**Features**

- Fieldstone Park features play equipment and swings designed for children ages two months to 12 years.
- With two unique swings to choose from, kids can either lay back, sit cross legged or stand up straight while using a flat, saucer shaped swing. Or, enjoy a tandem swing that parents and children can use together.
- How tall are you? Locate the measuring stick in Fieldstone Park and find out! This activity is appropriate for children who are at least three feet tall.
- Take a look through the orange periscope near the top of the play equipment while a friend takes the wheel below deck and be transported to an imaginative world of pirates, pirate ships and walking the plank!

*Fieldstone Park is one of the City’s playgrounds that has engineered wood chips around its play equipment. These wood chips provide a durable surface that allows wheelchair access to the play equipment, making it an inclusive, accessible play area for all!*

**What I enjoyed most about Fieldstone Park:**

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Get schooled at HERITAGE GROVE PARK!

Located in the heart of the community, Heritage Grove Park is a protected natural wonder that spans more than 40 kilometres of all-weather trail and provides excellent City-connectivity.

Where do I find it: Access points are located in many Spruce Grove neighbourhoods

Features
- Heritage Grove Park is the perfect place to get active. The park’s sights, sounds and nearby waterways make it the ideal setting for a quiet walk, run, leisurely bike ride or rollerblade. Please be sure to share the path.
- Walking your dog through the extensive trail network in Heritage Grove Park is an excellent way to spend time with your four legged friend and give you both some exercise. The park is an on-leash area and handlers are required to clean up after their dogs.
- Along the trails are a series of outdoor classrooms and educational signs where you can learn about the history and evolution of the forest.
- Listen for the tap-tap-tap sounds of the downy and hairy woodpeckers, who make their home in Heritage Grove Park. These birds search for food in the forest’s tree trunks by drilling holes in old trees to find grubs and insects. They use their long, barbed tongue to extract what they can find.
- Keep an eye out for the wood lily, also known as a tiger lily, which grows along the trail in June and July. You are welcome to admire it, but please do not remove it from the trail system.

What I enjoyed most about Heritage Grove Park:

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Hoop it up at
JUBILEE PARK!

Jubilee Park is a premier outdoor attraction in Spruce Grove and is home to the City’s annual Canada Day Celebration.

Where do I find it: 510 Grove Drive

Features

• Jubilee Park creates some of the best passive and spontaneous opportunities for play in Spruce Grove. With wide open green spaces and paved basketball courts, shoot some hoops or enjoy a friendly game of soccer. Your options are limited only by your imagination!

• Play a round of disc-golf using Jubilee Park’s nine-hole disc-golf course.

• Plan a family meal using the picnic shelter, barbecues and tables. Charcoal is encouraged, however fire wood may be used. Ensure the fire is out before leaving the picnic area and clean up when you’re done.

• Near the playground equipment is a sand box where children can bury and dig up their favourite toys and build sand castles.

• Spray park coming soon! Expected to open in July, Spruce Grove’s spray park will be located in Jubilee Park. For more information, turn to page 28.

What I enjoyed most about Jubilee Park:

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Learn the ropes at WESTBEND PARK!

Westbend Park is a true hidden gem. Located in the southwest corner of the city, this neighbourhood park offers a wide variety of play equipment for children of all ages to enjoy.

Where do I find it: 25 Westbend Street

Features
- Westbend Park features play equipment and swings designed for children ages 18 months to 12 years.
- Looking for a new way to enjoy this neighbourhood park? Try making the play equipment into an obstacle course! Children are sure to enjoy the challenge of climbing up and down the spider web of ropes, circular jungle gym, spiral tower and rock wall before making their way over to the tire swing.
- Located at ground level, find the playground’s ice cream storefront and purchase make believe flavours of your favourite sweet treat. Children can set the fictional prices and play cashier.
- Learn to sign the alphabet in sign language. The play equipment at Westbend Park includes a panel with all the letters of the alphabet and their corresponding sign so children can learn how to sign their name.

What I enjoyed most about Westbend Park:

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Release the hounds at
CPL. JIM GALLOWAY
MEMORIAL
OFF LEASH PARK!

Providing plenty of room to roam, the Cpl. Jim Galloway
Memorial Off Leash Park is a favourite spot for dog owners
and their canine companions in Spruce Grove.

Where do I find it: 51 Century Close

Features
• With 8.6 acres of fenced area and one kilometre of walking
trail to explore, the off leash park is a secure space where dog owners can bring
their pets to run, exercise and burn off energy.
• Small dogs welcome! The off leash park has a designated area for smaller dogs
to play at their own pace and interact with dogs of a similar size.
• The off leash park is kept clean by considerate and co-operative residents who
responsibly pick up after their pets, as is required by the City. However, if you’ve
forgotten your doggie bags at home or in the car, bag dispensers are located
throughout the park and are re-stocked by City crews.

What I enjoyed most about
Cpl. Jim Galloway Off-Leash Park:

Formerly referred to as Century Off Leash Park,
the Cpl. Jim Galloway Memorial Off Leash Park
was re-named on Sept. 7, 2013, to honour
the memory of Cpl. Jim Galloway for his
supreme sacrifice in the line of duty in
Spruce Grove. After an extensive career
working for Police Dog Service, Cpl. Galloway
was transferred to the "K" Division (Alberta)
where he was posted as a dog handler
for 26 years. Cpl. Galloway died in the line
of duty on Feb. 28, 2004, when he was
fatally shot while working with
the Edmonton RCMP
Emergency Response Team
during an armed stand-off
in Spruce Grove.
Get geared up at

MCLEOD AVENUE PARK!

Located in the southeast corner of Spruce Grove, McLeod Avenue Park was upgraded in 2012 and is now a treasured neighbourhood amenity for nearby residents.

Where do I find it: 608A McLeod Avenue

Features

- McLeod Avenue Park features play equipment designed for children ages five to 12 and swings for children 18 months to 12 years.
- Jump up and hang on tight to the tall, circular climber at McLeod Avenue Park. To an imaginative mind, this spinning piece of equipment could resemble a UFO and make for an exciting game of space ships and aliens.
- Set inside the park's play equipment is a panel of five colourful gears. Use the thumb hole to make their interlocking teeth spin and let the young minds in your family wonder at the mechanics of gears.
- Combine upper body and lower body strength, balancing skills and hand-eye coordination while playing on the ropes at McLeod Avenue Park. Make your way up and over the top rope and down into the inner circle.
- Located at ground level is a shape dial that younger children can use to identify seven common shapes including a tree, heart and star. For a more difficult exercise, children can enjoy a mini scavenger hunt by finding each shape located elsewhere on the playground equipment.

What I enjoyed most about McLeod Avenue Park:

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Shape up at **ROTARY PLAYSCAPE**!

Rotary Playscape is undoubtedly Spruce Grove’s brightest, most colourful park.

**Where do I find it:** 9 Tri Leisure Way

**Features**
- Created in partnership with the Spruce Grove Rotary Club, Rotary Playscape offers more than 10,000 square feet of play space and was the largest of its kind in Canada when it officially opened in 2009.
- Mini musicians will enjoy the park’s music centre, which features a number of drums, bells and chimes.
- If the floor of the playground feels spongy on your bare feet, it’s because egg cartons were used beneath it to create a cushioned floor effect.
- Rotary Playscape was designed with the environment in mind. The entire base of the playground was covered in rubberized material constructed from recycled trees. The play equipment in Rotary Playscape has a 30 per cent reduced carbon footprint when compared to other traditional structures of the same style.
- Come prepared to cool off. Be greeted by the Penn-West Energy splash pad, which is located at the entrance to Rotary Playscape. The splash pad is activated by a hand sensor and is open Monday to Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- Rotary Playscape promotes physical activity and fitness for all ages. With more than 13 cardio steppers throughout the park, adults can fit in a workout while visiting Rotary Playscape with their family.

**What I enjoyed most about Rotary Playscape:**

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Be amazing at NATURESCAPE!

Designed with a nature theme in mind, the Naturescape playground creates a unique and exciting setting for play in Spruce Grove.

Where do I find it: 600 Main Street

Features

- The Timber Mountain log slide in the Naturescape playground may be the most interesting slide in all of Spruce Grove. Travelling down a steep hill, the slide runs along the ground and is approximately 15 feet long.

- The rope and climbing rocks in the Naturescape playground is a park highlight that mixes elements of nature with man-made materials. Children can climb up the rope and then down the side of the rock.

- Follow along through the twists and turns in one of the park’s rock structures, which forms a dry river rock run, then make your way through a mini maze made of wooden panels.

From 1987 to 2009, a Japanese school and exchange program operated in the log cabin that is located beside the Naturescape playground. During this time, hundreds of students travelled to Kokusai Kaiyou School, the Japanese school in Spruce Grove, where they lived with local families on weekends and became immersed in Canadian culture for roughly three months at a time. A Spruce Grove resident managed the school alongside the attending Japanese teacher and an English teacher.

What I enjoyed most about Naturescape:
FAMILY PHOTO SESSION ENTRY FORM

We hope you enjoyed using the Spruce Grove Parks Playbook to get out and explore some of the many parks that are located throughout the community. Did you visit a park you had never been to before? Did you learn something new about these outdoor spaces? We sure hope so!

Enter to win a family photo session!

To enter:
1. Answer the five questions listed below about some of the parks featured in the Parks Playbook.
2. Complete and clip this entry form.

One lucky winner will receive a family photo session, including 20 high resolution digital images. And may we suggest a local park as the perfect backdrop for your photo shoot?

Central Park
How many benches are located in Central Park?

Henderson Park
How many tree stumps are part of the play equipment at Henderson Park?

Jubilee Park
Name at least one of the forest creatures that are carved into the play equipment.

Cpl. Jim Galloway Memorial Off Leash Park
Name one of Cpl. Galloway’s canine partners.
(Hint: Read the memorial board dedicated to Cpl. Jim Galloway at the off leash park.)

McLeod Avenue Park
Of the seven shapes included on the blue panel in McLeod Avenue Park, what shape does the arrow point towards when it is pointing north?

Name: ____________________________________________

Phone number: ____________________________________________

Address: ____________________________________________

Email: ____________________________________________

The winner must accept the prize as offered and the prize must be redeemed by Dec. 1, 2017. There will be no substitutions. The winner also releases the City of Spruce Grove and its contest partners from any liability for any loss, harm, damage, cost or expense arising out of the participation in the contest or participation in the contest-related activities. For complete contest rules, visit www.sprucegrove.org/parksplaybookrules.

Privacy/Use of Personal Information
This information is being collected under the authority of section 33(c) the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy (FOIP) Act. It will be used to administer the 2017 Spruce Grove Parks Playbook contest. The personal information provided will be protected in accordance with Part 2 of the Act. If you have any questions regarding the collection, use and disclosure of personal information, please contact the FOIP Coordinator at 780-962-7634 ext. 154.
Join our team!

If you’re looking for a welcoming and rewarding place to work, consider joining the City of Spruce Grove! We are truly the “employer of choice,” offering excellent benefits and a friendly, family-oriented culture.

Some of the many perks of working with us include:

- A comprehensive health benefit plan
- Defined benefit pension plans
- A safe working environment
- Employer-supported employee wellness and social activities
- Prime parking
- Training and development
- Casual Fridays

We value our employees and demonstrate this daily in how we do business.

For current employment opportunities, visit www.sprucegrove.org/jobs. Applications are only accepted online.

Join us and see why we’re the organization of choice!

www.sprucegrove.org/jobs

Don’t be a noisy neighbour

With longer daylight hours during the summer months, it’s normal to spend more time working and playing outside, but be cognizant of how much noise you are making. If you are having people over and spending time outdoors, try and keep the noise to a reasonable level.

The City’s noise bylaw permits the use of domestic equipment, which includes items like lawn mowers, weed trimmers and garden tillers, between 7 a.m. and 10 p.m. daily.

If you need to file a noise complaint, call Enforcement Services at 780-962-7585.

www.sprucegrove.org/bylaws
Residents of Spruce Grove can officially start the countdown to the opening of Spruce Grove’s highly anticipated new spray park located in Jubilee Park. Expected to open to the public on July 1 during the City’s Canada Day Celebration, the spray park will be open daily during the summer months from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. and will have on-site staff to assist with day-to-day operations, programming, cleaning and sanitation.

“The new spray park greatly supports the City’s goal of providing residents with spontaneous recreational opportunities in Spruce Grove,” says Paul Feser, Supervisor of Recreation Services with the City. “It’s going to be a fantastic amenity for our community and a really fun way to spend a hot summer day.”
Fun features

The spray park will feature more than 50 interactive components:

- **SuperWave**: Stands more than 20 feet tall and is able to dump 70 gallons of water at once creating a splash zone of more than 1,200 square feet.
- **Tricky Bells**: Buckets spin 11 feet in the air while children choose which ones to fill with water.
- **Sea Silhouette Pelican**: A spiraling water effect shoots up to 10 gallons of water per minute and encourages creative play.
- **Sea Silhouette Octopus**: Rotating tentacles, cannon jets, a jet stream and misty jets produce a spray zone stretching roughly 506 square feet.
- **Bamboo Cannons**: While spinning 360 degrees, jets of water spray more than 23 feet in all directions.
- **Cascades**: A trickling stream and water dams engage younger children in collaborative play.
- **Side Winder**: A family-friendly ground spray encourages users to run their hands and legs through multiple gentle streams.

Amenities for all

When designing the spray park, special attention was given to include a range of amenities that would appeal to people of all ages. This includes:

- A toddler zone for younger users (ages 5 and under).
- Two family zones with opportunities for passive play and active play (ages 5 and up).
- A pavilion featuring change rooms, outdoor showers, wet and dry bathrooms, and a staff kiosk.
- A plaza space that will provide seating, tables and a dry area.

Review the rules

- The spray park will operate on a first-come, first-served basis.
- Children ages 8 and under must be accompanied by someone 14 years of age or older.
- Proper swimwear is required.
- Before getting in the water, users are required to use the outdoor shower facilities.
- Children who are not toilet-trained are required to wear swim diapers.
- Users are welcome to enjoy food and non-alcoholic drinks (in non-breakable containers) in the spray park, but they are not permitted on the spray deck. Alcoholic beverages are prohibited.
- With the exception of certified service animals, pets are not permitted in the spray park.

For a complete list of spray park rules, visit [www.sprucegrove.org/spraypark](http://www.sprucegrove.org/spraypark).

Stay and play

- Enjoy the spray park like a pro! Pack a picnic, plenty of sunblock, and plan to spend the entire day in the water and connecting with nature.
- Walk, ride a bicycle or rollerblade through the City’s extensive trail network to get to Jubilee Park. But, once you arrive, please keep all bicycles, scooters, rollerblades, skateboards and strollers off of the spray deck. Limited parking is available.
- **BYOS**: Bring Your Own Shade. Consider packing a pop-up tent or sun/wind shelter to use for the day, especially if you are bringing infants and toddlers to the spray park.

Did you know the new spray park will use 100 per cent recycled water? Filtering roughly 20,000 gallons of water every hour, the spray park’s re-circulating water system will make the park both water and energy efficient.

[www.sprucegrove.org/spraypark](http://www.sprucegrove.org/spraypark)
Spruce Grove Trim Your Trash

Download the mobile app!

Do you have questions about how to sort your waste?

Not sure what goes where?

The answers are now available at your fingertips thanks to the City’s new Spruce Grove Trim Your Trash mobile app!

It’s easy and FREE for any iOS and Android device:

• Download the app through the App Store or Google Play (search Spruce Grove Trim Your Trash)
• Search for a specific waste item
• Find out if it belongs in your green organics cart, blue recycling bag, black waste cart, at the Eco Centre or the bottle depot

Download the app today and get ready to reduce your wasteline!

www.sprucegrove.org/trimyourtrash

You can also use the app to:

• Find out when your collection day is in Spruce Grove
• Play a fun waste sorting game and build your own virtual park
WASTE COLLECTION

When is my collection day?

Monday*: Acres in city, Fieldstone, Greenbury, Hildowns, Kenton, Linkside, Prescott, Spruce Village, Stoneshire, Tonewood
Tuesday: Grove Meadows, Lakewood, Woodside
Wednesday: Aspenglen, City Centre, Creekside, Jesperdale, Legacy Park, McLaughlin, Millgrove, Mobile City Estates, Westgrove
Thursday: Aspenglen, City Centre, Creekside, Jesperdale, Legacy Park, McLaughlin, Millgrove, Mobile City Estates, Westgrove
Friday*: Deer Park, Harvest Ridge, Hawthorne, Heatherglen, Spruce Ridge, Sprucewood Villas

Statutory holiday collection dates:
If your regular waste collection day falls on a statutory holiday, please put your cart(s) and blue bags out on the date indicated below.

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Eco Centre
The Eco Centre is located at 50 Diamond Ave.
Hours: Tuesday-Saturday: 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Sunday and Monday: Closed
Statutory holidays: Closed
www.sprucegrove.org/ecocentre

Save the date!
e-roundup: June 6–24
www.sprucegrove.org/eroundup
Free-cycle: June 10–11
www.sprucegrove.org/freecycle
Large item pickup: June 12–16
www.sprucegrove.org/largeitem
Shred-4-Free: June 17
www.sprucegrove.org/shred

More information
Report a broken or damaged cart or missed collection:
780-962-7584
General waste reduction inquiries:
780-962-7634 ext. 194
Visit www.sprucegrove.org/waste

BLUE BAGS
Recyclables
Weekly collection (year-round)
Includes:
• Aluminum cans
• Magazines
• Office paper
• Telephone books
• Cardboard
• Newspapers
• Toilet paper rolls
• Hard plastic bottles/containers

GREEN CART
Organics
Weekly collection: April 10 – Nov. 17, 2017
Monthly collection: December to March in the second full week of the month
Includes:
• Food waste
• Yard waste
• Soiled paper and cardboard

BLACK CART
Garbage
Weekly collection (year-round)
Includes:
• Aluminum foil
• Broken glass
• Disposable diapers
• Styrofoam
• Bubble wrap
• Cleaning/baby wipes
• Plastic wrap
• Food bags
(one-time use plastic)

Space your waste!
Cart lids must be completely closed for pick up and out by 7 a.m. on your collection day.

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Not sure what goes where?
Search for an item on Trim Your Trash, the City’s online waste collection guide.
NEW! Download the Trim Your Trash mobile app for free. Available for any iOS and Android device. Both the guide and the app are available at www.sprucegrove.org/trimyourtrash.
Home improvement

Does your summer to-do list involve sprucing up your backyard with a new deck or building a shed to store your seasonal tools?

To you it may be a simple home improvement project, but in the City’s eyes, these structures are all “accessory buildings” and that means you more than likely need a permit or two before you get started.

Building permits focus on the structural stability of a building and safety of its occupants, while development permits deal with the development’s impact on surrounding properties. Both types of permits help ensure work is completed in accordance with the City’s Land Use Bylaw and Alberta’s Safety Codes Act.

All permit applications must be completed and submitted to the City’s Planning and Development department for review and approval. Applications are generally processed within two to four weeks, depending on the complexity of the project, plus a 21-day appeal period, so keep that in mind when planning your project.
Once you’ve decided on a project, you can find permit application forms at www.sprucegrove.org/permits or at the Planning and Development office. Several checklists and brochures are also available to help you make sure you are including all the necessary documents and fees with your application.

If you have questions, you can also stop by the office for assistance. Bring your ideas, drawings or plans and a development officer can help you in determining what applications you need to complete.

**Decks**

Decks that are not higher than 0.6 metres (two feet) off the ground do not require a permit. Decks higher than that require both a development permit and a building permit prior to construction. Decks must also be no closer than one metre (3.3 feet) to rear and side property lines, including decks that do not require permits. There are exceptions to these rules (e.g. zero lot line development). If you are covering an existing deck, a development and building permit are both required. When covering an existing deck there will be different setback requirements and these should be discussed with a development officer.

**Sheds, pergolas and gazebos**

Sheds, pergolas and gazebos that are less than 10 square metres (approximately 107.6 square feet) do not require a permit. Sheds, pergolas or gazebos larger than that require both a development permit and a building permit prior to construction. They must also be located a minimum of two metres (6.6 feet) from the residence and no closer than one metre (3.3 feet) to the rear and side property lines. There are exceptions to these rules (e.g. zero lot line development).

**Retaining walls**

A development permit is required for all retaining walls. Any retaining wall that is greater than one metre (3.3 feet) in height also requires a building permit, which must be accompanied by drawings that have been approved by a professional structural engineer.

**Garages**

Both a development permit and a building permit are required prior to construction and must meet the required regulations in the Land Use Bylaw.

**Swimming pools and hot tubs**

Swimming pools and hot tubs both require building permits prior to installation. Contact the Planning and Development department to determine if a development permit will also be required.

**Planning and Development**

Office location:
414 King St.
Monday to Friday:
8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Mailing address:
315 Jespersen Ave.
Spruce Grove, Alta. T7X 3E8
Phone: 780-962-7582
Your role in preventing and responding to trail fires

The name Spruce Grove says it all: we are a city surrounded and connected by trees, trails and natural areas. It’s easy to enjoy our urban forest and other expansive outdoor spaces, but do you know how to protect them from the risk of fire?

“We absolutely want residents to enjoy all the natural areas Spruce Grove has to offer,” says Spruce Grove Fire Chief Robert Kosterman. “By keeping fire prevention top of mind and being prepared to respond appropriately in the event of an emergency, we can all help keep our community – and our greenspace – safe.”

The summer months typically mean more activity in these areas, which, when combined with the potential for hot, dry weather, can increase the risk of grass or forest fires. Kosterman suggests brushing up on forest fire safety so you know how to prevent a fire from starting and exactly what to do if you encounter one.

“Fires that start in our natural areas are often caused by humans and are 100 per cent avoidable,” he said. “By taking the necessary precautions, residents can play an important role in reducing the risk of fires in our trail systems, community parks and even their own backyards.”

And as for what to do if you spot suspicious smoke or flames – “Don’t hesitate. Call 911 immediately.”

Fire pit permits

In Spruce Grove, residential fire pits and outdoor fireplaces require a free permit. After you install your fire pit according to the City’s guidelines, you need to submit a request for a permit.

For Spruce Grove fire pit guidelines and to submit a free permit application, visit www.sprucegrove.org/firepit.

Mark your spot

Located along the path in Heritage Grove Park are numbered trail markers that are easily visible and correspond to your location. In case of an emergency, like a fire, call 911 and tell the operator the number of the nearest trail marker. This information will help emergency crews find your exact location and speed up their response time.

Keep back

Once you’ve reported the smoke or fire to 911, keep back and do not interfere with the fire or firefighters on site. Fire Services personnel are trained in fire suppression techniques and are prepared to respond to fires in the trails and other natural areas using specialized vehicles for park systems. Instead, leave the area and give emergency crews room to work.

I see smoke or flames in the trails! What do I do?

• Call 911 immediately and report the smoke or fire.
• Give your location using the trail markers and closest street.
• Leave the area and go to the nearest road access to meet the arriving fire crews.
• On your way out, advise other trail users to leave the area. Stay at the entrance point to prevent others from entering the trail system.
• Make a note of suspicious activity you see in the immediate area and provide this information to Fire Services once the fire has been put out.
Do your part!

Whether you are in your own backyard, a local park or the trail system, we all have a part to play in fire prevention.

- Do not smoke while using the trails, community parks or other natural areas.
- If you’re smoking on your own property, dispose of all materials properly.
- When using a backyard fire pit or outdoor fireplace, consider the weather conditions. High wind speeds may send smoke or sparks long distances, creating a fire hazard. Also, make sure to have water close by.
- Never leave a backyard fire pit or outdoor fireplace unattended and ensure the flame is completely out when you’re done.
- Follow any temporary restrictions or fire bans issued by the City to help ensure community safety.
Every drop counts

Save water and the strain on your wallet

1. Don’t cut your grass too short – longer grass helps shade the soil and reduces the need for watering.

2. Create a water wise landscape by using native grasses, such as fine fescues or rye grass, and drought-tolerant shrubs that require far less water. Additionally, use mulch to reduce weed growth, which competes for water and nutrients.

3. The best time to water your lawn is either early in the morning or late in the evening. If you water during the coolest parts of the day, you won’t lose as much to evaporation.

4. Clean your vehicle at a local car wash bay rather than in your driveway to conserve water and prevent chemical runoff from entering the City’s stormwater sewer system. Water from a car wash is recycled and then enters into the sanitary sewer system where it is treated before being released into the environment.

5. Your lawn only needs 2.5 centimetres of water each week to grow. Not sure how to measure that? Put an empty flying disc out on your lawn while you’re watering it. When the disc is full, you’re done. Most sprinklers can achieve this in about one hour.

6. Use a rain barrel to collect rain water for free! Water collected in a rain barrel can be used on your lawn, plants and shrubs.

www.sprucegrove.org/tap
With summer knocking on our doorstep, it’s only natural to bring your garden hose and sprinkler out of storage and begin fixing up your yard. You want to maintain a healthy lawn and maximize your curb appeal, and who could blame you?

But, at the same time, the water you use is measured, calculated and costs money – and every drop really does count. In Spruce Grove, increased water use is closely tied to hot weather and outdoor watering, which means most residents spend more money on water during the summer months than they do in the winter.

To help save water and the strain on your wallet, there are plenty of practical, simple changes you can make in your day-to-day routine that will go a long way to conserving water and keeping bucks in the bank.

**SAVE $1,675!**

*Potential annual savings (for a family of four):*

- **Save $527**
  Skipping the bath and taking a shower could save over 100,000 litres of water each year.

- **Save $109**
  Invest in a high efficiency washing machine and save up to 20,732 litres of water per year.

- **Save $545**
  Use a low flow kitchen faucet and reduce your water usage by up to 103,551 litres of water per year.

- **Save $137**
  Turning off the tap when brushing your teeth or shaving could save up to 26,000 litres of water from going down the drain each year.

- **Save $357**
  Installing a low flush toilet could save up to 67,747 litres of water per year.
Road work ahead!

The summer months are prime construction season and that means road work ahead in several areas of Spruce Grove. When driving through construction zones, drivers are reminded to slow down, obey all posted speed limits, and watch for portable traffic signs or flag people who may be in place to manage traffic flow. And please give crews room to work so everyone can get home safely at the end of the day.

**Grove Drive West extension**

Grove Drive will be extended west from Harvest Ridge Drive by approximately 500 metres to provide access to the new K-9 school being constructed in the area. In addition, the existing western intersection of Grove Drive and Harvest Ridge Drive will be converted to a roundabout and a second roundabout will be constructed further west on Grove Drive as part of the new road near the school.

*Impact:* During the roundabout construction at Grove Drive and Harvest Ridge Drive, the intersection will be closed to traffic. Residents will need to use the eastern exit on Harvest Ridge Drive as a detour.

*Anticipated start date:* Mid-May

*Anticipated completion date:* End of August

**Regular maintenance**

In addition to the large road construction projects, City crews also conduct regular maintenance and repairs on streets and sidewalks throughout the community, including:

- Crack sealing
- Street sweeping
- Line painting
- Pothole repairs
- Asphalt repairs
- Concrete repairs and maintenance
- Traffic light repairs and maintenance
- Drainage maintenance

**Jennifer Heil Way turning lane**

An additional turning lane will be constructed eastbound on Highway 16A for traffic turning northbound at Jennifer Heil Way, for a total of two turning lanes at the intersection.

*Impact:* Traffic will be managed as required.

*Anticipated start date:* June 1

*Anticipated completion date:* July 15
New signal alert!
New traffic signals will be installed at the intersection of Westwind Drive and Century Road.

Pioneer Road extension
Pioneer Road will be extended from Grove Drive to Highway 16A. Traffic signals will also be installed at the intersection of Grove Drive and Highway 16A.

Impact: There is no anticipated impact to residents or traffic during this construction work.

Anticipated start date: May
Anticipated completion date: End of November

Watermain replacement
A watermain replacement project will occur along Oatway Street, Gosset Place, Bristow Crescent and Collingwood Avenue.

Impact: Households that will be impacted by this work will receive advance notice. At some point in the project, each home will be connected to an alternate water feed. During construction, street access and parking in the area will be limited.

Anticipated start date: Mid-May
Anticipated completion date: Mid-October

Road resurfacing projects
Anticipated start date: June 1
Anticipated completion date: Mid-October

- Golden Spike Road
  Golden Spike Road will be resurfaced on both north and southbound lanes from Diamond Avenue to the south City limit.

- Brookwood neighbourhood
  Several streets in the Brookwood neighbourhood will be resurfaced, specifically: Belleville Avenue, Berkley Street (to Collingwood Avenue), Benton Street, Beverley Avenue, Brookwood Crescent, Brookwood Place and Blaimore Place.

- Grove Drive
  Grove Drive eastbound between Calahoo Road and Fieldstone Drive will be resurfaced.
City facility rentals

The City of Spruce Grove provides facilities to rent for events such as wedding receptions, anniversary celebrations, birthdays, programs, meetings and sporting events. For more information call 780-962-7579, email recreation@sprucegrove.org or visit www.sprucegrove.org/facilityrentals.

**Spruce Grove Agrena**
9 Agrena Rd.
Dry-pad rentals: April–August
Ice rentals: August–April

**Agra Room**
(2nd floor, Stu Barnes Arena, Spruce Grove Agrena)
Capacity: 80
Available year-round

**Ball diamonds and sports fields**
Available May 1–Oct. 15, annually

**Border Paving Athletic Centre**
9 Tri Leisure Way
Meeting rooms available year-round
www.sprucegrove.org/bpac

**Community parks**
A rental is not required, as community parks are available for public use 6 a.m.–11 p.m., daily
www.sprucegrove.org/parkguidelines

**Electronic Billboard**
Calahoo Road and Highway 16A
Community group advertising
Available year-round
www.sprucegrove.org/advertising

**Elks Hall**
400 Diamond Ave.
Capacity: 325
Available year-round
Kitchen also available

**Fuhr Sports Park**
9 Tri Leisure Way
Two turf fields
Available April–November

**Horizon Stage**
1001 Calahoo Rd.
Capacity: 300
Available September–June
Call 780-962-7631 for booking information.
www.horizonstage.com

**Spruce Grove Curling Club**
9 Agrena Rd.
Call the Spruce Grove Curling Club at 780-962-3222 for booking information.

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**Acting I (ages 6–7)**
Dates: July 17–21  Time: 9 a.m.–11 a.m.  Cost: $100

This jam-packed camp is suitable for younger children. Kids will be encouraged to play, pretend and let their sillies out.

**Acting II (ages 8–9)**
Dates: July 17–21  Time: 12–3 p.m.  Cost: $130

This camp will use a variety of drama games and techniques to encourage kids to explore and expand their acting skills. Students will work on a short showcase piece that they will present on the last day of camp.

**Acting III (ages 10–13)**
Dates: Aug. 21–25  Time: 9 a.m.–3 p.m.  Cost: $200

This camp delves deeper into acting abilities. Participants will work together to create a showcase piece that will be presented on the last day of camp.

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**Directors Cut Camps**

**Film Reel Commercial Workshop (ages 10–14)**
Dates: July 24–28  Time: 9 a.m.–4 p.m.  Cost: $280

Use HD cameras and the latest digital equipment and hardware to film and edit your next big blockbuster. Participants will storyboard, write a script, and learn about camera angles and cinematography before filming and editing their movies. They will also learn how to market their films by creating a movie poster.

**Lego/Clay Animation Workshop (ages 7–10)**
Dates: Aug. 14–18  Time: 9 a.m.–4 p.m.  Cost: $280

Work with a real filmmaker to create a stop-motion clay or Lego film that is sure to rival the works of Hollywood’s most talented. Participants will work in small crews to storyboard, script, build, design, capture and add sound effects, titles, voices and music to their own action packed, comedic or dramatic animated short.

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**Location**
All camps will be held at the Border Paving Athletic Centre, located at 9 Tri Leisure Way.

For information or to register:
- Visit horizonstage.com
- Call 780-962-8995