



### Beautiful, Clean and Sustainable

#### Minoru Lakes has reopened

Originally designed and built in the 1970's, Minoru Lakes was in need of improvements to better respond to community needs, address failing infrastructure, and reduce reliance on Richmond resources such as potable water and maintenance costs. The upgrades include many exciting ecological enhancements. One of the key sustainability features is that the revitalized lakes are fed by rainwater and incorporate new emergent and aquatic plants for a broader range of habitat types.

Visit and enjoy the renewed Minoru Lakes at 6131 Bowling Green Road.

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## Heating Up the Conversation on District Energy

### Building officials touring district energy plant

Lulu Island Energy Company staff hosted members of the Building Officials Association of BC Conference for a tour of the Alexandra District Energy Utility (ADEU) energy plant. The energy plant features a geo-exchange system that provides low-carbon heating and cooling services to connected buildings in the area from a renewable energy source. Staff were eager to discuss energy, efficiency, and sustainability with attendees from throughout the province, while showcasing industrial-grade equipment that provides reliable service for customers. ADEU is an internationally recognized project that exemplifies the City's leadership in addressing climate change through innovation, partnership and team work.



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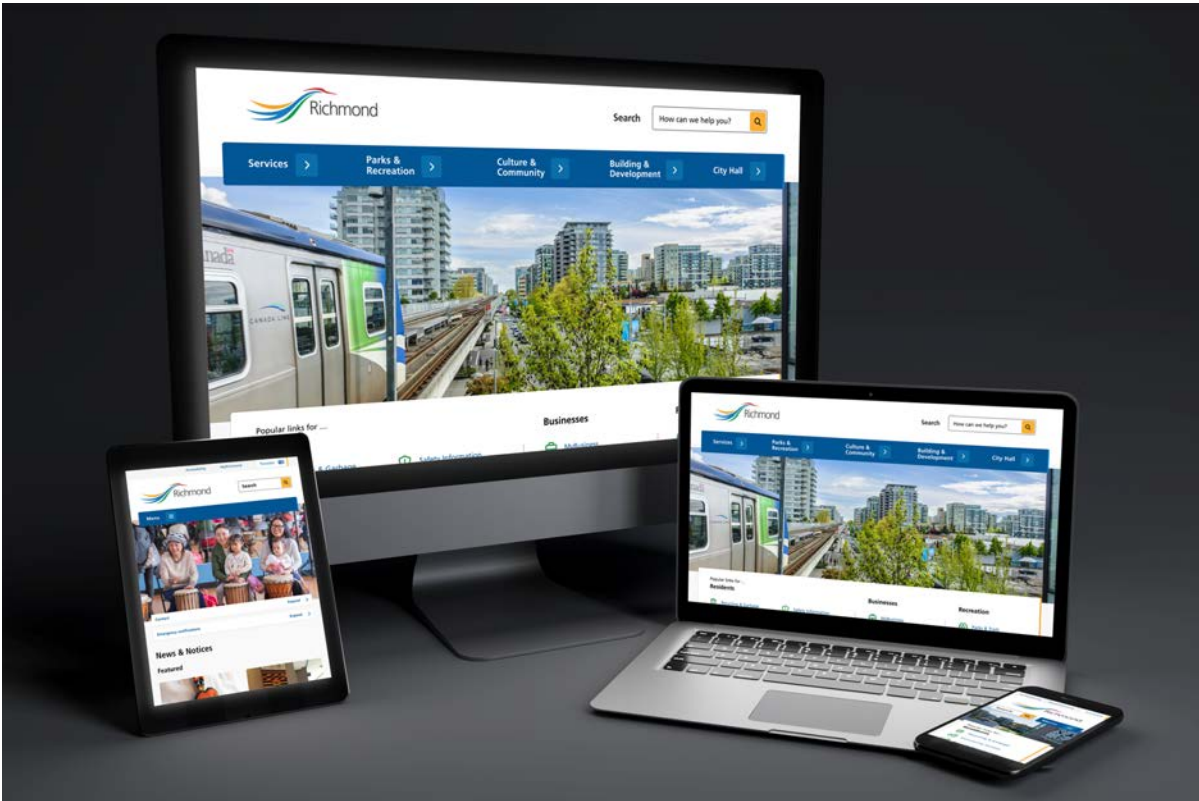


## Skimming the Fraser River

### Just launched!

From its location at Fisherman's Wharf in Steveston Village, the water based trash-skimmer will collect solid and liquid waste that floats on the Fraser River's surface including plastic bottles, packaging, microplastics and hydrocarbons. This device in Richmond is the first of its kind to be installed on the west coast of North America. To learn more visit [richmond.ca/SingleUse](https://richmond.ca/SingleUse)

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## Accessibility is Part of Sustainability

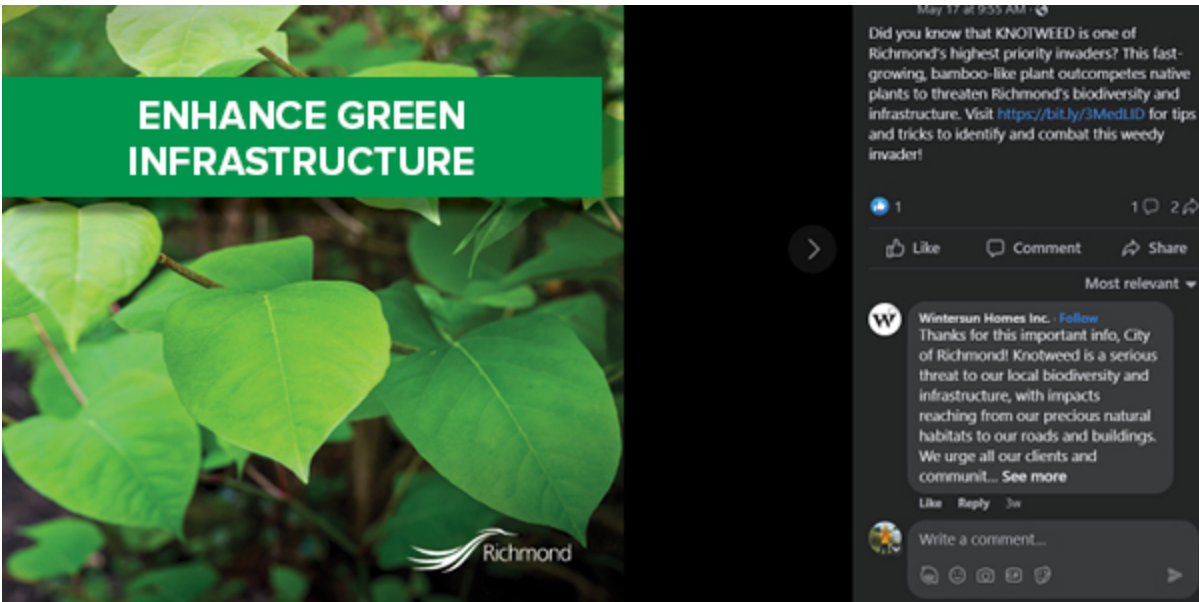
### New look: City of Richmond's website

Richmond's website has a new look and feel with a number of new features, including:

- An easy-to-use multilingual translation tool
- One click access to MyRichmond and LetsTalkRichmond
- Accessibility enhancements
- Streamlined navigation through a simplified menu structure focused on user need
- The City's Plans & Strategies gathered in one section for ease of access
- A more mobile friendly/responsive site

Our new look website is constantly evolving and appreciate your patience as staff continue to update and improve the site.

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## Richmond Celebrates Invasive Species Action Month

### Highlighting proper invasive species management

May was Invasive Species Action Month across the province, and the City took part promoting the importance of invasive species management for ecological health. Staff connected with residents at the Public Works Open House, and provided education via social media on priority species like knotweed and hogweed, as well as native gardening practices.

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## Heat Pumps on Tour

### At our public works open house

Residents wilting from mid-summer warmth at the Public Works Open House chilled out at the Sustainability booth, which hosted BCIT's fully-functioning heat pump exhibit. Like all heat pumps, they provide both super-efficient,

near zero emission cooling and heating on demand, and in a single appliance. Thanks to CleanBC rebates, and recent summer 'heat domes', consumer demand for heat pumps has never been greater!

Want a cost estimate for operating a heat pump in your house? Click the button.

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## We Heard you Richmond

### Richmond is going circular

The City has developed a proposed Circular City Strategy to set Richmond on a path to achieve 100% circularity by 2050. The Strategy is guided by 6 directions and 84 actions that reimagines the flow of resources, materials, nutrients, products and energy. Watch for a new animated video series on the updated strategy that includes public feedback.



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## Stepping up on Bulding Step Code

### Summer builders' breakfast

On June 27, Richmond hosts the first in-person Builder Breakfast since 2019 for local homebuilders, energy advisors, architects and designers. City staff will engage discussion on draft recommendations for adopting BC's new Zero Carbon Step Code, and how this will integrate with our current Energy Step Code requirements. The Zero Carbon Step Code is key to achieving the City's 2030 and 2050 GHG reduction targets.

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