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MAY 12 – 18

## CALENDAR

### Monday, May 16

Council-in-Committee: 2 p.m.

Regular Council: 7 p.m.

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### Wednesday, May 18

Multiculturalism Advisory Committee Meeting: 7 p.m.

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## Public Works Week

May 15 – 22 is Public Works Week. We thank all of the City's hard working Public Works staff for their commitment to creating a safe and healthy community for us all.

### The Role of Public Works

Public Works plays an essential role in the day-to-day needs of our community. For example, they maintain and operate the City's water distribution system to ensure a constant supply of drinking water for residents, and a readily available supply for fire protection. They also maintain, operate and repair the sewer system to ensure proper collection and treatment, which supports the health and safety of residents and of the environment.

The work they do protects residents and properties from flooding during weather events by maintaining the drainage system, keeping the roads safe and in good condition and coordinating garbage, recycling and green waste collection.

Public Works maintains and repairs over 1,000 pieces of equipment and 300 vehicles, including the Coquitlam Fire Department fleet. A team of hardworking and dedicated staff provides 24/7 service to the City.



## Service Spotlight

Here is just a taste of some of the important work carried out by our Public Works crews.

### Capital Construction

This construction crew is installing a shoring box to keep their team safe from potential trench collapse while working. This is part of what happens when renewing a sanitary sewer in preparation for road paving.



### Sewer and Drainage

When there are extreme weather events crews work around the clock to check and clean intakes to prevent flooding, monitor key areas, and perform cleanups to keep roads clear.



### Water Services

The City has over 2,762 hydrants that require servicing twice per year. Our Public Works crews are diligent with the servicing schedule to ensure that hydrants are in working condition in the event of an emergency.



Crews are trained to use specialized tools, such as this radio detection device, to locate underground utilities. By using these tools, the crew can better detect the location of utilities, to avoid unnecessary outages for the community.