# COVID-19 Updates For all the latest information, follow us on social media and visit georgina.ca/COVID-19

#### **Virtual Council Meetings**

**Council Meeting for Public Planning Only** 

When: Wed. Feb. 10 7 p.m.

**Council Meeting** 

When: Wed. Feb. 24 9 a.m.

**Council Meeting** 

When: Wed. March 3 9 a.m.

Council meetings will be broadcast as usual through the Town's live streaming tool. Rogers TV Georgina will also broadcast the meetings. Public participation by phone is available. A preregistration form is required to be submitted to the Clerks Division by noon the day before the meeting. The form can be found at georgina.ca/CouncilMeetings.

## Town offers property tax deferrals for property owners

The Town is offering deferrals for the first instalment of the 2021 interim property tax bill for property owners who have been financially impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. Eligible applicants will have their Feb. 26, 2021 instalment deferred until April 26, 2021, meaning no penalty or interest charges. Eligible applicants may also have their quarterly water/ wastewater bill deferred penalty free until April 26, 2021 or until their next billing cycle after that. Property owners must apply to the Town of Georgina in order to receive the deferral. The application form can be found online at georgina.ca/taxes.

#### **Bag tag exemption**

With more people at home due to the provincial stay-at-home order, the Town has waived the requirement for bag tags. The bag limit of five bags/items remains in place. GFL will pick up bulky items such as a mattress. Remember, place items at the end of the driveway/curb so they are visible and do not place bins or garbage on top of or behind snow banks.

Questions? Contact customer service at 905-476-4301 or GFL at 1-866-421-5625. Visit georgina.ca/WasteandRecycling for more.



## **Recreation**Snow place like home photo contest

Do you want to build a snowman? Then take part in our Snow Place Like Home Community Challenge. It's as easy as 1, 2, 3.

- Build a snowperson
- 2. Snap a photo
- 3. Submit for a chance to win awesome prizes

There are three categories you can enter – traditional snowperson, most creative snowperson and business category snowperson. Prizes include a \$100 gift card to your favourite local business, or \$50 and \$25 Tim Horton's gift cards.

For details on the community challenge and how you can participate, visit georgina.ca/events. Let's embrace winter!

#### **Recreation at Home**

Did you know Recreation and Culture has lots of fun activities, crafts, recipes, workouts and more just for you? Check out Recreation at Home to find something fun for you and your family. The team will continue to add new content all the time. Learn more at georgina.ca/RecreationAtHome.

#### **Virtual Recreation Programs**

We cannot wait to see you - virtually!

Registration is open for a new lineup of online virtual recreation programming from cake decorating to photography classes and everything in between for kids to adults. Visit georgina.ca/recreation to register.



#### Black Saturday School - History Series

Brought to you by KendraYoga in partnership with the Georgina Equity and Diversity Advisory Committee

#### Saturdays in February 2021, 9 a.m. to noon Ages 9 to 13 yrs | All youth welcome | FREE Online via Zoom

Explore Black History in a safe, brave, open, co-creative and fun space! Each session includes a yoga practice.

Pre-register for each session at <u>georgina.ca/</u> <u>recreation</u>.

Session 1: Kings, queens, lifestyle

Session 2: Slavery, plantation life, freedom

Session 3: The civil rights movement, the Black

Panthers, the rights we enjoy today

**Session 4:** Systemic racism, the Black Lives Matter movement, the future

Facilitated by qualified subject experts, Ontario certified teachers and community leaders.



#### Stormwater Pond Safety

Stormwater management ponds are NOT to be used for skating. They are not intended or designed for recreational use as water levels can change rapidly and create unsafe conditions. This is extremely dangerous and poses many safety risks for residents. For more, visit georgina.ca/StormwaterPond.

## Georgina Fire and Rescue Services

#### Barbecue and portable heater safety

With everyone spending more time at home, Georgina Fire and Rescue Services is reminding residents of some safety tips to keep you and your family safe from fire and carbon monoxide poisoning.

- BBQs, including gas, propane or charcoal, should only be used outside, away from all doors, windows, vents, and other building openings.
- Never use BBQs inside garages, even if the garage doors are open. If used in an enclosed space (garage, house, shed), carbon monoxide (CO) – an odourless, colourless, poisonous gas – will gather and reach dangerous exposure levels, which can lead to serious health effects, or even death.
- Propane cylinders may not be used or stored inside any structure.
- Ensure all portable fuel-burning heaters are vented properly, according to the manufacturer's instructions.
- Ensure all portable fuel-fired heaters are equipped with a safety tip-over shut-off feature and bear the mark of an accredited testing agency.
- Keep portable heaters at least one metre (three feet) away from anything that can burn, including curtains, wall coverings, upholstery, clothing and people.
- Keep all doorways and halls clear. In case of fire, a heater should not be blocking your escape.
- Place heaters in areas where they will not get bumped or knocked over.
- Prevent burns by keeping children away from portable heaters which can reach extremely high surface temperatures.

For more on fire safety, visit georgina.ca/fire.

#### **Waterfront Parks Master Plan**

The Town of Georgina is preparing a Waterfront Parks Master Plan and we need your input. Take some time to complete an online survey and tell us what you think about the concepts, and what you think should be included or changed in our waterfront parks. To learn more and take the survey, visit georgina.ca/WaterfrontParksPlan.



#### **Taste of Georgina**

Georgina is heating things up with an exciting take-out event to support and promote Georgina's diverse dining establishments. Residents are invited to experience the Taste of Georgina, a prix fixed food series, between Feb. 6 and Feb. 19. Bring some excitement to your table and feel good about supporting local. Learn more at georgina.ca/TasteofGeorgina.

## Notice of Public Information Centre - Georgina Sanitary Sewer Model and Master Plan Municipal Class Environment Assessment

The Town of Georgina has started a Sanitary Sewer Master Plan to evaluate wastewater infrastructure and determine its capacity to accommodate future population growth. This Master Plan will also support capital improvement programs and assist with the preparation of the Town's development charge by-law.

#### How is the study being done?

This study is being done in accordance with Approach #1 of the master planning process as set out in the Municipal class Environmental Assessment (EA) (October 2000, as amended in 2007, 2011 and 2015), which is an approved process under the Ontario Environmental Assessment Act. This approach involves the preparation of a master study document at the conclusion of Phases 1 and 2 of the Class EA process.

#### How can I participate in this study?

### Residents are invited to participate in a virtual Public Information Centre (PIC).

The Town invites residents to view the study's evaluation results and preliminary preferred recommendations through a virtual public consultation centre. This is an opportunity to learn more about the project and submit comments to the project team. The virtual PIC

will present the following:

- Project overview
- Existing and future sanitary system issues
- Preliminary sanitary sewer system improvement alternatives
- Recommended sanitary sewer system improvement options
- · Preliminary capital program

The virtual PIC presentation, with video narration, will be available at <u>georgina.ca</u> as of Feb. 1, 2021. The slides and transcript will be available for download on the Town's website. You may also complete a short survey on the website to provide comments.

Survey completion date: Feb. 26, 2021

**Location:** View the virtual public consultation centre at <u>georgina.ca/SanitaryMasterPlan</u>.

If you would like more information about the Town of Georgina Sanitary Master Plan, please contact:

Carol Liu, Development Engineering Technologist, Town of Georgina at <a href="mailto:chliu@georgina.ca">chliu@georgina.ca</a>, 905-476-4301 ext. 2226 or mail Town of Georgina 26557 Civic Centre Rd., Keswick, ON L4P 3G1.

Julien Bell, P. Eng. Infrastructure Planning Partner, GM BluePlan Engineering Limited, julien.bell@gmblueplan.ca, 519-748-1440 ext. 4264 or mail 330 Trillium Dr., Unit D, Kitchener, ON N2E 3J2.

All comments and information received from individuals, stakeholder groups and agencies regarding this project are being collected under the authority of the Municipal Act to assist the Town of Georgina in making a decision. Under the Municipal Act, personal information such as name, address, telephone number and property location that may be included in a submission becomes part of the public record. Questions regarding the collection of this information should be referred to Carol Liu at the Town of Georgina.

The notice was issued Feb. 1, 2021.



