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Subject: Upcoming news release: New pump station coming to Strathcona (May 9, 2023)

Dear Mayor and Council,

I am writing to inform you that the City will be issuing the news release below today, May 9, 2023 regarding Raymur Pump Station construction, which begins this week in Strathcona. Pump stations are critical pieces of public infrastructure that move sewage from low points in the system uphill to sewer mains ultimately flowing to the Iona Island Wastewater Treatment Plant. This pump station is one of four pump station across the city that are currently being replaced or upgraded.

Best, Paul

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City of Vancouver News release May 9, 2023

New pump station coming to Strathcona

Starting this week, the City will begin construction on the new Raymur Pump Station in Strathcona located in the southeast corner of Strathcona Park at the intersection of Raymur Avenue and Malkin Avenue.

Constructed in 1962, the existing pump station is beyond its useful service life and is undergoing a \$7.8 million dollar replacement as part of the City.s Capital Plan which maps out significant investments in Vancouver s infrastructure and amenities. Work will be underway until fall 2024.

This is one of four pump stations across the city that are currently being replaced or upgraded to meet new safety requirements. Planning and design for new pump stations at Dunbar, Jericho, and Thornton is currently underway.

"Vancouver's pump stations are critical for safely and reliably managing sewage 'round-the-clock for our residents and businesses," said Mayor Ken Sim. "This and other capital-funded pump station upgrade projects are key to ensuring our infrastructure is well-managed and resilient into the future."

The City owns and manages 24 pump stations, which are critical pieces of public infrastructure that collect and transport sewage from low points in the sewer system and move it uphill to gravity sewer mains ultimately flowing to the Iona Island Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Each new pump station is uniquely designed to fit into the neighbourhood's overall character. Once built, the Raymur station will be seismically resilient ensuring it is prepared to help serve this growing area while minimizing the risk of service disruption or sewage spills into waterways.

Plan ahead

- During construction, access to Strathcona Park will be available from all areas, except the southeast corner. There will be no impact to park amenities including running track, tennis courts, baseball diamond, basketball court, and washrooms.
- To safely accommodate construction, Raymur Avenue will be closed to vehicle traffic at Malkin Avenue with access for pedestrians retained at all times. Find out about ongoing construction work using our <u>road ahead map</u>.
- · If you are walking or rolling nearby, traffic control staff will be on site to manage traffic and assist pedestrians around the construction site.
- Residents and visitors to the area can expect parking restrictions along Raymur and Malkin Avenues including limited street parking outside the City's Animal Shelter located at 1280 Raymur Street. Visitors are asked to park on neighbouring streets.
- Construction will generally take place Monday to Friday, from 7 am to 5 pm and on weekends as needed. <u>Learn more about sewer</u> <u>pump station upgrades</u> or <u>email us your questions</u>.

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