

STATEMENT

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Weather Update: Monday, February 3, 2025

With the combination of snow and near zero degree temperatures, roads are extremely slippery today. All commuters are asked to plan their route appropriately, be careful and stay patient out there.

Council Meeting Tonight's Open Council Meeting, originally scheduled for 7 p.m., has been cancelled due to snow and unsafe roads. The closed portion of the meeting, scheduled at 3:30 p.m., will be going ahead virtually.

Snow Plows City crews are working on clearing (and keeping clear) priority one routes. These are the main traffic arteries within Nanaimo and include bus routes and roads that lead to the hospital. Crews will move to second and third priority routes only once these first priority routes are clear and staying clear.

Please also remember that City trucks may slip and slide in these conditions, and some of these are extremely heavy vehicles. Give plenty of space for everyone's safety.

Garbage / Recycling Collection Garbage and recycling pick up have been cancelled for today as roads are extremely unsafe for the City's sanitation trucks.

Residents that had a scheduled pickup are asked to keep their carts in. Collection will be delayed until the next scheduled pickup day for those same materials (in other words, two weeks plus a day for Family Day).

Residents missing garbage pickup, on their next scheduled garbage collection day, may place extra, securely tied bagged garbage out with their carts. Extra garbage bags must be placed one metre away from the carts to allow the automated truck arm room to operate.

Residents missing recycling pickup, on their next scheduled recycling collection day, can place additional blue cart recyclables loosely in an open container one metre away from their carts at the curb.

Parks, Recreation & Culture

- Oliver Woods Community Centre, Nanaimo Aquatic Centre, Beban Pool, Beban Social Centre, Nanaimo Ice Centre, Frank Crane Arena, Cliff McNabb Arena, Bowen Complex are open.
- Oliver Woods evening drop-in programs are cancelled.
- All drop-in sessions are available at Nanaimo Aquatic Centre (pool and weight room).
- All registered programs scheduled to start at 3 p.m. or later are cancelled for the rest of the day.
- Rentals of facilities are at the renter's discretion.

All cancelled programs will be refunded or rescheduled. Check back tomorrow by 7 am on the City of Nanaimo website and Facebook page for Tuesday's updates.

Find more information on the City's response to [Snow and Ice](#).

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