

## NEWS RELEASE

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### Outstanding Property Taxes and Penalty Dates

#### Summary

The 2016 Property Tax due date has passed and the City of Nanaimo wants to remind residents that a second penalty of 5 per cent will be applied to any outstanding current tax balance after August 11, 2016. If you are eligible and haven't already done so, don't forget to claim your Home Owner Grant. Penalties are applied to unpaid taxes or unclaimed Home Owner Grants in accordance to Provincial Legislation. With a potential Canada Post service disruption, the City may not be sending out Outstanding Property Tax notices.

Nanaimo residents are encouraged to sign up for MyCity in order to have online access to their tax accounts. You can even have your notices sent to you by email to avoid any Canada Post service disruptions. Sign up at [mycity.nanaimo.ca](http://mycity.nanaimo.ca)

*Strategic Link:* The City of Nanaimo wants to keep residents informed. This is one of the City of Nanaimo's Strategic Priorities to be an excellent municipal government.

#### Key Points

- With a potential Canada Post service disruption, outstanding tax notices from the City of Nanaimo may not be mailed.
- A 5 per cent penalty has been levied on any outstanding current tax balances, including unclaimed Home Owner Grants, and another 5 per cent penalty will be levied on August 12, 2016.
- Registering your tax account with MyCity will give you a 24/7 online access to your tax information.

#### Quotes

"Not claiming your Home Owner Grant by the due date is one of the main causes of incurring a penalty for unpaid taxes. If you are eligible and have not claimed the Grant yet this year, please claim it by August 11, 2016 to avoid the second 5 per cent penalty."

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