

As you know from the updates provided over the past few months, our church's building expansion team and Pastor's Council have been waiting for tenders to come in for our facility expansion so we can determine our course forward.

The tender results are in, and Pastor's Council met last night to review that information. After much discussion and prayer, the Council is recommending to the Eaglemont Church body that we proceed with undertaking a debt load to permit construction of the building expansion.

That recommendation means we will be moving ahead immediately with two very important meetings that we ask you to make every effort possible to attend, whether you've called Eaglemont Church your home for a short time or for years.

Building Expansion Information Session

Tuesday, July 12th at 7:00 pm in the gym and via Zoom (If you wish to attend by Zoom, please register [here](#) by 6:30pm on the 12th. You will receive the Zoom link when you register).

An overview of the tender results and the process leading up to this point will be provided, and there will be an opportunity to ask questions. This meeting is open to everyone, regardless of how long you've been a part of Eaglemont Church or whether you're a Core Team member or not.

Special Congregational Meeting – Debt Load Vote

Tuesday, July 19th at 7:00 pm in the gym

This meeting is also open to everyone and we strongly encourage you to attend, especially if you are not able to be at the information session. According to our Local Church Constitution, only Core Team members are permitted to vote on the motion, but we value the input of everyone who calls Eaglemont their 'home church'.

Our required quorum for congregational meetings is 40% of Core Team members (to initiate the meeting and conduct business). For this debt load vote, the Pastor's Council has set 80% as the required percentage in favour of the motion before we will proceed with assuming the debt load. **So, once again, we ask Core Team members to please make this meeting a priority.**

Our preference is for Eaglemont Core Team members to be there in person, but we realize that if you're away on vacation, that won't be possible. We're working on ways to ensure every member has the opportunity to register their vote, even if you can't be here in person, so please watch your email for updates and instructions.

If you aren't a Core Team member and have been considering membership, there is a Core Course 101 course being held tomorrow, July 6th at 7:00 pm. It's not too late to sign up for that so please go to Eaglemont.info and click on the 'Core Course 101' button to register.

As we've mentioned so many times, this is a big decision for our church and though the timing of the information session and congregational meeting isn't optional, we hope you will engage in the process. This is your church, and we hope you will share in the vision of faith expansion for our community for generations to come.

Development Permit Note

While the required Development Permit from the City of Beaumont has been approved, it is being issued with a conditional requirement for a stormwater management system to be included in the project. This has just been requested and was not previously mentioned in any discussions between the City and the construction consultant and architects throughout the permit application process and review. The system would come at a significant additional cost and would also require significant changes in the facility design. The Building Expansion Lead Team will be appealing the request. However, if the City does not change this request, we will not be able to proceed with the facility expansion at this time and the Special Congregational Meeting will be cancelled. Please pray that God will remove this roadblock!

Prayer Needed

Please also continue to lift all other aspects of the building expansion up in prayer, particularly that we will have quorum for the vote. Pray for God's wisdom, direction and provision. And as we have been praying since we began our Faith Expansion Capital Campaign seven years ago, we want God's will to be done and for our church body to be united as we move forward.

If you have questions about either the Information Session or the Special Congregational Meeting, please call the office at 780-929-5111 or email Pastor Marlo Jenkins at marlo@eaglemontchurch.ca.

Pastor's Council