

## CONTENT & HIGHLIGHTS

**11:15 AM Coffee**  
**11:40 AM Call to Buffet**  
**11:55 AM Presentation**  
**12:30 PM Tour of EXPO**

### **LUNCHEON** | An update of Nanaimo's Economy & Development Status

A presentation by Amrit Manhas, Economic Development Officer and Jeremy Holmes of Development Services for Nanaimo, reprising their 2022 reports to City Council.

**Speakers:** City of Nanaimo

**1:15 PM  
Departure  
Bay Room**

### **BREAKOUT 'A'** | New World Collaborations & Partnerships

Tourism Nanaimo, Nanaimo Prosperity Corporation, Chamber and more – hear from the people who've been helping build these emerging partnerships.

**Moderator:** Corry Gervais

**Speakers:** Bill Corsan (City of Nanaimo), Jenn Houtby (Tourism Nanaimo), Kim Smythe (Nanaimo Chamber)

**2:15 PM  
Departure  
Bay Room**

### **BREAKOUT 'B'** | Investing in Our Future

Infrastructure, Development, Building Trends, Growth & Asset Management...

**Moderator:** Aaron Surkan

**Speakers:** Bill Sims (City of Nanaimo), Donna Hais (Nanaimo Port Authority), Rory Kulmala (VICA)

**3:15 PM  
Departure  
Bay Room**

### **BREAKOUT 'C'** | How We Live & Where We Work

Real Estate – Commercial, Residential, land, housing and development.

**Moderator:** Ian Anderson

**Speakers:** John Cooper (John Cooper Group), John Hankins (NAI), Mark Holland (Urban Planner)

**4:15 PM  
Departure  
Bay Room**

### **BREAKOUT 'D'** | Transportation & Industry

The future of the mid-Island's transportation and industrial hub.

**Speakers:** Jason Mitchel (Nanaimo Port Authority), Rocky Minhas (Seaspan), Brad McRae (Western Forest Products)

**5:00 PM** | **Happy Hour at Expo!**

*\*Speakers & moderators subject to change*