

PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

<u>CITY IMPLEMENTS ADDITIONAL LIVE STREAM VIEWING FOR A SMARTER AND SAFER CITY</u>

Welland, ON - The City of Welland is implementing additional live stream webcam viewing of public spaces on the city's website. The Welland BMX & Skateboard Park can now be viewed in real-time at https://www.welland.ca/parks/skatepark.asp. Other public spaces are also being considered for webcams.

Having visual access to public areas allows viewers to connect with a public space when visiting the space is not an option. Live webcam viewing also provides a safety factor and is a surveillance tool for crime and vandalism.

Live webcam viewing was first initiated in 2015 with the opening of Welland Civic Square, giving website visitors access to 24-hour observation of the Front Plaza at Welland Civic Square.

For more information on City of Welland Smart Cities initiatives, visit Welland is Getting Smarter, or for more information on the City of Welland, visit www.welland.ca.

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