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Maple Ridge CAO, Jim Rule, Retires After 40 Years of Public Service

Maple Ridge, BC: The Chief Administrative Officer for the City of Maple Ridge, Jim Rule, has announced that he will be retiring from the City in a couple of months with his last working day being Friday, May 29, 2015.

Jim has been the Chief Administrative Officer since 2002, when he and his family moved from Sudbury, Ontario to Maple Ridge, so that Jim could assume the duties of the CAO for the City of Maple Ridge. During that time he has been very instrumental in leading and managing many exciting initiatives and changes in the community in a period of very rapid growth. One of these initiatives has been the revitalization of the Town Centre as the vibrant hub and heart of the community. He has also been very active in promoting the interests of Maple Ridge with many external agencies.

Mr. Rule stated that "As I approach my 67th birthday it is time to turn the page and enter a new chapter so I can pursue other passions in life with my wife and family and retirement will allow me that opportunity." He further elaborated that "When there is fresh powder on the mountains, we will be off skiing; when it is a beautiful sunny day, we will be off kayaking or hiking; and in between, travelling to all the places we have been yearning to visit."

Mayor Read thanked Mr. Rule for his years of dedicated service to the community and said she has really enjoyed working with him in her capacity as Mayor. She further stated that Jim has been the ultimate professional in managing the business of the City over the past 12 years and she values his knowledge and the advice provided to her and Council. Mayor Read wishes him a healthy and happy retirement.

The Mayor and Council will be pursuing a competition for Mr. Rule's replacement in the coming weeks.