

City of Maple Ridge News Release

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City of Maple Ridge Receives Financial Award for 27th Straight Year

Maple Ridge, BC: On Tuesday, February 13, Patrice Impey, Chief Financial Officer for the City of Vancouver and Canadian Committee Member for the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA), presented the City of Maple Ridge with the Canadian Award for Financial Reporting (CAnFR).

"The GFOA established the CAnFR program to encourage local governments to go beyond the minimum requirements of financial reporting and prepare comprehensive annual reports to foster a culture of transparency and accountability for citizens. Maple Ridge has been a leader in Canada exceeding the guidelines by which this award is judged. In fact, this is Maple Ridge's 27^{th} consecutive year achieving this recognition," said Ms. Impey. "It is clear from the work that your City has done with your Open Government Portal and the other GFOA awards Maple Ridge has received, the Distinguished Budget Presentation and Outstanding Achievement in Popular Reporting, that Council is committed to ensuring citizens have access to information they need to understand your community's finances. Congratulations on behalf of my colleagues with GFOA."

Our Council has a strong commitment to transparency and accountability in City finances and decision making. Staff, across all departments, are committed to ensuring citizens have information that is accurate, accessible and understandable which requires a continuous effort by our team," said Chief Administrative Officer Paul Gill. "We are honoured to accept this award from the Government Finance Officers Association."

The City's Financial Reports are published in print and digital editions each year. The reports can be viewed online at *mapleridge.ca*/853.

For more information about the CAnFR award or the City's financial reports please contact Paul Gill, CAO, by email at pgill@mapleridge.ca or by phone at 604-467-7398.