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Council Approves Development Permit for Phase One of Transformational Downtown Development

Maple Ridge, BC: On September 25 2018 Council approved the development permit for Phase One of a seven stage development that will see the transformation of the property between Dewdney Trunk Road and Brown Avenue between Plaza Street and 224 Street to a mixed commercial and residential development. Phase One includes development of eight commercial retail spaces fronting on Dewdney Trunk Road and 154 apartment units, including 49 units of market rental housing.

“It’s exciting to see Phase One coming to fruition,” said Mayor Nicole Read. “This is truly a transformational development for our downtown. It embodies all of the aspirational goals of our Town Centre Area Plan to bring people and commercial activity to the heart of the community. Council was encouraged to see the rental component of this development. This project is impressive”

“As future phases of the larger development concept come before Council over the next decade we will see over 800 new dwellings as well as new retail, commercial and office space emerge in the downtown as the site is rezoned,” said Christine Carter, Director of Planning for the City of Maple Ridge. “This represents over \$200 million in construction investment and up to \$2 million in community amenity contributions for our City over the life of the project.”

The full concept proposes 14 buildings ranging from five storey mid-rise buildings to residential buildings 19 storeys in height. The overall development concept includes additional affordable housing options in future phases of the development. The proposal also envisions an adaptive housing component, electric vehicle charging stations, public art and a major public plaza. The size and scope of this multi-phase development will have a transformational effect on the downtown over the next decade.

Construction of Phase One is expected to begin in the spring of 2019.

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