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Subject: Chief Engineer and General Manager of Engineering Services announcement

Dear Mayor and Council,

I would like to share with you that Jerry Dobrovolny, Chief Engineer and General Manager of Engineering Services, has informed me of his departure from his role at the City of Vancouver. He has accepted an appointment with Metro Vancouver as Chief Administrative Officer and Commissioner starting in early October.

Jerry was instrumental to organization-wide efforts to bring new, talented staff into Engineering fostering a new culture of diversity and inclusion for the department. He leaves behind a legacy of developing leadership within his department which in turn has impacted many cross-city initiatives, such as the Broadway Subway, Broadway Plan, False Creek, Chinatown, the new St. Paul's Hospital and many more initiatives. He was always interested to listen to different views about what people care about, and regularly attended both large and small meetings with residents and stakeholders.

Jerry has given so much of his time and career to the City, almost 31 years. Before his role as Chief Engineer, Jerry held several posts within Engineering, including Director of Transportation, Manager of Equipment Services, a member of the Transport Planning Project, and his first role out of university in 1988, as Assistant Waterworks Engineer. Jerry has previously demonstrated his commitment to civic affairs in his role as a City Councillor in New Westminster from 1996 to 2005 as well as holding a variety of roles on various boards and committees in the city and Lower Mainland. All of this was preceded by an esteemed career as an offensive lineman in the CFL from 1983 to 1987.

Jerry's last day will be Friday October 4th. Over the next week, we will confirm the interim leadership of the Engineering portfolio while we initiate the search for a permanent City Engineer.

Jerry has made an indelible mark on the City and leaves the Engineering department in a strong position for the future. Although Jerry is leaving the City, I am reassured that we will have occasion to work with him in his new role at Metro, through our involvement in shared projects and goals in the region.

Please join me in thanking Jerry for his valuable contributions and leadership during his tenure here at the City. We wish him all the best in his new role at Metro Vancouver.

Best,
Sadhu

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