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Subject: Fact correction opportunity - CoV staffing levels

Good morning Mayor and Council,

You may be aware that a radio news show continues to seed inaccurate information about City of Vancouver staff levels, despite our attempts to correct this information. Specifically, the host continues to present an erroneous assertion that the City's staff complement has grown from 1800 to 9000 people since 2008. We have provided below accurate information on this matter.

In instances where you may have an opportunity to correct this detail in media interviews, we would appreciate you taking this into consideration.

Myth: the City had 1200 employees in 2008, which has grown to 9000 employees.

Fact: the City had ~7000 employees in June 2008. The City had ~9500 employees as of June 2024.

If you have any questions about the foregoing, please reach out to Maria at maria.pontikis@vancouver.ca or me.

Best,
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The City of Vancouver acknowledges that it is situated on the unceded traditional territories of the xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam), Skwxwú7mesh (Squamish), and səlilwətaʔ (Tsleil-Waututh) Nations.