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To: "Direct to Mayor and Council - DL"
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Subject: FW: Staffing Update - Chief Building Official

Dear Mayor and Council,

Please see the below for an update on appointment changes that I sent to staff in DBL this morning.

Should there be any media interest in the changes in this appointment, we ask that you refer to media@vancouver.ca.

Kindly,

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From: Okell, Corrie <Corrie.Okell@vancouver.ca>
Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2026 10:52 AM
To: DBL All Staff - DL
Subject: Staffing Update - Chief Building Official

Good morning,

I am writing to let you know that, effective immediately, Saul Schwebs has left the organization and is no longer serving as Chief Building Official and Director – Inspections & By-law Services. I would like to acknowledge Saul's contributions to the City of Vancouver over the past 12 years, and I know many of you will share this sentiment.

As we work through this transition, Kevin Lau and Leighton Williams will report to me.

In addition, Kevin Lau has accepted a temporary appointment as Chief Building Official and Grahame Hamilton has accepted a permanent appointment as City Electrician. There will be no change to the Deputy CBO roles.

For any matters requiring immediate direction or approval, please bring them directly to my attention and copy Kiana Lee.

I recognize that leadership changes can create uncertainty. If you need support or have any concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me directly at any time. You may also access Homewood Health, our Employee and Family Assistance Program (EFAP), which provides confidential support services.

Thank you for your continued professionalism during this transition period.

Kindly,

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