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Peter Sparanese named City Manager for Abbotsford

ABBOTSFORD March 20, 2018 - Abbotsford City Council is pleased to announce the appointment of Peter Sparanese as City Manager for the City of Abbotsford effective March 26, 2018, said Mayor Henry Braun today.

“Council was unanimous in supporting Mr. Sparanese in assuming the role of City Manager for Abbotsford,” said Braun. “Out of the 41 applications the City received from across North America in response to our international executive search efforts, Mr. Sparanese stood out as the best candidate for our City from a local government experience and local community understanding perspective.”

In taking on the position of City Manager for Abbotsford, Sparanese brings with him more than 25 years of executive leadership experience in local, regional and provincial government environments, including the past 3 years as General Manager of Engineering and Regional Utilities with the City of Abbotsford. He has an extensive background in all facets of municipal and region governance and has a demonstrated track record in providing leadership in achieving Council’s goals and objectives.

“Mr. Sparanese has a solid reputation as a leader in local government and possesses an in-depth understanding of current municipal and regional matters, as well a solid grasp on broader government issues,” said Braun. “We are extremely excited about the experience and opportunity he brings to the position of City Manager for Abbotsford.”

Sparanese will be responsible for the management of the City of Abbotsford’s \$260 million budget and more than 1,000 employees.

The City of Abbotsford is British Columbia’s fifth largest city and one of Canada’s fastest growing communities

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