

Media Release

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City announces new City Manager to start in February

The City of Campbell River will have a new City Manager in late February.

Andy Laidlaw will become the City's Chief Administrative Officer on February 21, 2011.

"We are very pleased to welcome Mr. Laidlaw and his family to our community," says Mayor Charlie Cornfield. "With his many years of well-rounded experience in municipal government and his understanding of Vancouver Island communities, he is set to lead our service to the citizens of Campbell River."

Laidlaw joined the City of Nanaimo's recreation department in 1976. He has been Nanaimo's General Manager of Community Services since April 1999, and has provided leadership and general management for a variety of Nanaimo's services including: public works; parks, recreation and culture; fire services; RCMP contract management; emergency operations; as well as economic development and tourism.

Laidlaw has diplomas in both public administration and business administration. He also has a bachelor degree in recreation education and a general certificate in municipal management.

"I am honored to be joining the staff team at this City and privileged that Council has offered me this opportunity to serve them and the residents of this community," says Laidlaw. "During the holidays, I have visited the community several times and continue be impressed with both its beautiful setting and the excellent services offered to its citizens."

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