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City of Campbell River Proceeds with the Creation of a New Airport Authority

The City of Campbell River is moving ahead with the creation of a new Airport Authority to oversee the growth and operations of the Campbell River Airport. Campbell River City Council gave third reading on Nov. 23 to bylaw #3444, which will establish a Campbell River Airport Authority. The final adoption of the bylaw is scheduled for Dec. 7.

"We are confident that the creation of an independent airport authority will help guide the economic growth of the Campbell River Airport by taking responsibility for the operation, marketing and development of the airport and City-owned surrounding lands," said Councilor Roy Grant, a long-time supporter of growth at the airport. *"I have always believed that the airport is a key driver of growth for the region. It deserves a dedicated, responsible and smart group of individuals to help guide it."*

The Campbell River Airport Authority will be responsible for setting the strategic direction for the Campbell River Airport. It is designed to act as an independent body that will oversee the long-term vision, growth and marketing of the airport. One of its duties is to operate and develop the airport to enhance the economic objectives of the City, as articulated in the City's Corporate Strategic Plan.

As part of the preparations for establishing a new Campbell River Airport Authority, the City is seeking qualified volunteers to act as directors. A director must have the skills, knowledge and experience necessary to be responsible for setting the authority's strategic direction, for making decisions for the authority, and for overseeing the management of the authority's business and affairs. Candidates should be able to demonstrate knowledge and experience in the aviation industry. Board positions are unpaid, and are open to local and regional candidates. Appointments are for a term of three years. Interested candidates should submit a resumé and covering letter by 4 p.m., Dec. 6 to City Hall.

"We know there is a significant amount of aviation knowledge in our community," said Campbell River Mayor Charlie Cornfield. *"I'm looking forward to seeing the calibre of candidates that apply, and I am confident that this new authority will help us maintain the positive growth path we're on at the airport."*

Appointments to the Campbell River Airport Authority are scheduled to take place at the Dec. 14 Council meeting.

For more information about the Campbell River Airport please visit: www.crairport.ca.

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