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MEDIA ADVISORY

On behalf of Nanaimo City Council I am pleased to announce that Mr. A.C. Kenning, previously the City's Deputy City Manager, has been appointed to the position of City Manager for the City of Nanaimo.

Mr. Kenning has been employed with the City since 1987 and has held the positions of Director of Finance, General Manager of Corporate Services and Deputy City Manager. Mr. Kenning is a Chartered Accountant and has a Commerce Degree from the University of British Columbia. Previous to his employment with the City of Nanaimo, Mr. Kenning held senior positions with the BC Lottery Corporation and the Thompson-Nicola Regional District.

Mr. Kenning's appointment will allow the community to benefit from his long experience with the City, his knowledge of the City's operations and his familiarity with the community's needs and expectations. I know that Mr. Kenning is anxious to get to work on the serious challenges facing the community and Council. First among these challenges will be making recommendations on the 2010 budget and seeking budget solutions that meet Council's identified need for fiscal responsibility with the important needs for the provision of a high level of community services.

Mr. Kenning will be paid an annual starting salary of \$200,109.00. Council believes this salary fairly reflects the value of the work performed and is consistent with the market for similar jobs. Mr. Kenning's previous full time position of Deputy City Manager will be eliminated. The Deputy's role in support of the City Manager will be assumed by other members of the City Management team. Mr. Kenning will be reviewing the City's overall management structure as part of his new duties.



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