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Engagement Begins for New Economic Development Strategy

Maple Ridge, BC: The City is inviting residents and business owners to provide their input on a new Economic Development Strategy. The document will serve as a blueprint to create and retain employment, while diversifying the local economy.

“This can be the one plan that answers the question: who is Maple Ridge in the future and why does it matter to us as residents, investors and visitors?” said Wendy Dupley, Director Economic Development. “We can embrace big ideas about the future, but we also need to focus on clear actions that generate progress toward our vision of the future.”

“We are not a small community anymore – it’s time for Maple Ridge to grow up and take our place in the region by building a sustainable city by 2050, where most of our residents will live, work and play within a 15-minute radius,” said Mayor Mike Morden. “We want you, our citizens and businesses, to have your say. Help us shape the future we all want, as we strive to become the best little city in BC.”

The following three surveys are now available online:

- Community (for residents)
- Business (for local business owners)
- Youth (for young people aged 16 to 30)

Business owners who reside in Maple Ridge are encouraged to submit both the Business and Community surveys.

The deadline for submissions is July 5. For more information, visit: makethefuture.mapleridge.ca.