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Maple Ridge Walmart Development Process Underway

Maple Ridge, BC: On Monday, July 20, 2015 Council will be presented with the Development Application for the new Maple Ridge Walmart location at Haney Place Mall.

"This is great news for downtown Maple Ridge and we are glad to see this project move forward. It's critical to have a strong anchor tenant in the mall, and a retailer who will draw shoppers who have been leaving town to get the things they need for their growing families," said Maple Ridge Mayor Nicole Read "We all look forward to the ribbon cutting ceremony."

"We appreciate the proactive approach taken by Maple Ridge Council and staff in moving this project forward. As we worked through the legal issues relating to the wind down of Target Canada, Maple Ridge has been very supportive of our efforts to market this property and ensure that we can move forward with great efficiency to open this new Walmart location," said Chris Sherry, Principal of Narland Properties, owners of Haney Place Mall.

The development proposal calls for an opening in late 2015 or early 2016. In addition to the exterior branding of the location, Walmart will be doing some interior renovations to make the space fit their national branding profile and meet the expectation of their customers.

The development proposal will come before Council at Workshop on July 20, 2015 and for a formal vote on July 28, 2015. Copies of the proposal are part of the agenda packages for both meetings.

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