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MISSION REGIONAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE WELCOMES NEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, PAULA KENT



The Mission Regional Chamber of Commerce is excited to announce that as the month of March commences, so does the beginning of a new leadership role at the Chamber. Paula Kent will be joining the team as Executive Director.

Paula Kent is a highly motivated and selfdirected leader who combines her passion for people and community

development with concrete business strategies and excellent communication skills. Her twenty-seven career with TD Canada Trust honed her business, operational and management abilities. At TD Canada Trust Paula gained career breadth working at both the retail and corporate levels, establishing herself as a collaborative leader possessing critical and strategic thinking abilities. After her retirement in 2017 from TD Canada Trust, Paula pursued her Master of Art in Tourism Management and is the current Administrative Chair for the Tourism Mission committee. She obtained her Master of Arts degree through Royal Roads University. Upon graduation, Paula was awarded The Founders Award for outstanding leadership and nominated for the Governor General Gold Medal. She is the author of Heroic Choices, examining the universal pattern of personal transformation by exploring how breaking through fear leads to meaningful and lasting personal change. Paula has lived in Mission for twenty years, and you may catch sight of her running on the streets in the early morning or hiking and exploring the natural beauty of the parks and trails in and around Mission.

To reach out to our new Executive Director, you can email: Execdir@missionchamber.bc.ca



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The Chamber started off the year celebrating the many wonderful businesses in Mission at our virtual Business Excellence Awards. We would like to acknowledge all the nominees for their resilience, hard work and excellence in their categories. Congratulations to all the winners! It was also an exciting year as I had the honour of presenting the President's Award to our first woman recipient, Lesa Lacey of Lacey Developments Ltd.

Spring is in the air and there is a sense of anticipation and hope as BC moves to Phase 2 of the COVID-19 Immunization Plan. The Government has also announced new foods hubs to strengthen food security by expanding the food hub network in the Fraser Valley and beyond. Additionally, three more **Abbotsford-Mission organizations** will get an infrastructure and jobs boost through B.C.'s Economic Recovery Plan.

Funding is going to multiple projects, including:

- The Mission Museum Rehabilitation Project
- HAS Applied Heritage Preservation Project
- A new greenhouse facility at Leq'a:mel

To hear more of what's happening from our MLAs Pam Alexis and Bob D'Eith, join us for our virtual coffee on April 7th at 10am. Change is afoot at the Chamber as well with the election of our Board of Directors at our Annual General Meeting on March 11th. In Mission, our By-Election for a new Mayor will be April 24th. Be sure to join us for our All-Candidates Meeting on April 8th at 7pm to hear from our mayoral candidates. You can find all the information for these events at www.missionchamber.bc.ca



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MISSION ALL CANDIDATES MEETING





Date: Wednesday, April 8th 6:30PM - 8:00PM

Location: LIVE Online -MissionChamber.bc.ca & Facebook Page

Submit questions* to connect@missionchamber.bc.ca

*These will be reviewed by the Government Affairs Committee

Election day for the 2021 municipal by-election will be Saturday April, 24th.

Information on the election can be found at mission.ca

Organized by the Mission Regional Chamber of Commerce - 604 826 6914

MISSION CHAMBER ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Join us to vote in the Mission Regional Chamber of Commerce 2021 new Board of Directors **Date:** Thursday March 11th 2021 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM

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Upcoming Events

Must-attend Events Coming Soon!

Virtual Coffees

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This extremely popular series of events from 2020 will be returning in early 2021. The Chamber will be bringing back the "Virtual Coffee" sessions that featured presentations (followed by Q & A sessions) that covered a wide variety of important topics. Sessions were held with local government officials as well as representatives from service Canada Services, Work BC, and the Canada Revenue Agency.

Business Excellence Awards Event Dates to be determined

Be sure to follow us to receive information on the upcoming dates of our business workshops! These workshops will cover some of the following topics:

- Google for Business
- Business Succession Planning
- Website Effectiveness
- Social Media Algorithm Update

And more!

All-Candidates Meeting April 8th 6:30pm - 8:00pm

The Mission Chamber is getting prepared to host an All-Candidates forum once a by-election is officially called. This forum will be held online and open to both members and non-members. There will be a Q & A session during this event.

Final dates, times, and registration links will be on the Chamber's website. www.MissionChamber.bc.ca

Welcome to our New Members **Carolyn Carson Personal Real Estate**

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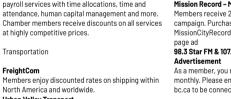
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