



# City of Peterborough

## Media Release

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Peterborough, ON --

Mayor D. Paul Ayotte has announced that his assistant, Doris Neufeld, has decided to transfer from the Mayor's Office to undertake new responsibilities in the City Administrator's Office. After working in the Mayor's Office for twenty-three years, Mrs. Neufeld decided she would like to concentrate on a few key special projects with Chief Administrative Officer, Linda Reed.

Mrs. Neufeld has worked alongside four Mayors: Bob Barker, Sylvia Sutherland (twice), Jack Doris and Paul Ayotte. "For many people, Doris is the face of Peterborough", said Mayor Ayotte. "I have been very fortunate to have administrative assistance from Doris during my first year as Mayor. She is very knowledgeable about the City and the role of the Mayor's Office."

Mrs. Neufeld is looking forward to her new responsibilities in the CAO's office. "I have thoroughly enjoyed my years in the Mayor's Office, but I welcome the opportunity for a new challenge," said Mrs. Neufeld. "I've had the privilege of working with four fine Mayors and was in a position to meet and get to know many interesting people from all walks of life during the past twenty-three years. I'm not ready to retire, but the new job will offer me a little more flexibility so I can spend more time with my grandson."

From Linda Reed's point of view, the change is of great benefit to all concerned. "We appreciate the fact that Doris continued to provide such strong support in the Mayor's Office during the transition period from the previous Council. Doris' experience and advice have been invaluable during the past year, as I am sure it was to earlier Mayors and Councils. The CAO's office works closely with the Mayor's Office, and the experience that Doris brings from her work with many Mayors and Councils, along with her background in the Human Resources Division and as a Deputy Clerk, make her a key resource. I am looking forward to the opportunity to work with Doris on a daily basis."

Recruitment for a new assistant to the Mayor will begin immediately. Mrs. Neufeld has agreed to remain in the Mayor's Office until her successor assumes full responsibilities.

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