City Welcomes New Director of Sustainability

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VICTORIA, BC — The City of Victoria is pleased to announce Roy Brooke as the new Director of Sustainability. Mr. Brooke will start in his position on Wednesday, September 14, 2011.

As Director of Sustainability, Brooke will lead the development of the City’s sustainability initiatives as the city continues to moves towards their vision of ecological integrity, livability and social well being, and economic vitality.

Brooke has led a wide range of sustainability initiatives in Canada and internationally over the past 17 years, most recently working for the United Nations in Switzerland. As a Humanitarian Affairs Officer at the United Nations, Brooke worked with governments in countries such as Iran, Yemen and the Ivory Coast to strengthen resilience to climate change and disaster risks. Brooke also led United Nations Environment Programme country activities in Rwanda.

Brooke is now returning to Victoria where he started his career working on local and regional environmental, social and economic development issues for Member of Parliament David Anderson. He has also served as Senior Policy Advisor to the federal Minister of Fisheries and Oceans (1997 – 1999) and Minister of Environment (1999 – 2000) and led a federal initiative to promote corporate social responsibility.

Brooke is excited to move back to Victoria, where his parents and numerous other family members live and is proud to soon be serving the City of Victoria.

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