



TOWN OF FORT SMITH

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PRESS RELEASE: FORENSIC AUDIT

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The Town of Fort Smith regrets to announce that the receipt of the Forensic Audit report has been delayed. Due to his appointment to the NWT Judiciary, Mr. Garth Malakoe of Peterson, Stang & Malakoe, Yellowknife was no longer able to continue to handle the case. Unfortunately, although the auditor had completed his investigations and submitted a draft report, Mr. Malakoe was not able to complete his review, prepare his legal advice and have the finalized report released to the Town.

As of February 2, 2010, Mr. Thomas Marriott of Brownlee, LLP in Edmonton was engaged to complete the necessary legal review, has been provided with the report and associated documentation and has discussed the matter with Mr. Malakoe. Mr. Marriott is a Partner in the Edmonton office of the firm, is a member of the NWT Bar and has extensive experience in the field of municipal law. Mr. Marriott is now in the process of his review and it is expected that the report will now be received by the Town in March, 2010.

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