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To All of Our Municipal Partners:

There have been several changes recently at the Department of Municipal Affairs, and we wanted to highlight some of the key changes for you.

Housing has moved to the new Department of Growth and Development (formerly, Economic Development) under Minister Colton LeBlanc and we would like to congratulate Vicki Elliot-Lopez on her promotion to Associate Deputy Minister responsible for strategic leadership on housing.

The Department of Municipal Affairs is now a standalone department which includes the Office of the Fire Marshal.

We are pleased to advise that Minister John Lohr will continue to be responsible for Municipal Affairs, and he has also taken on additional responsibilities as the Minister of Finance and Treasury Board, and the Minister of Labour Relations.

We are pleased to welcome Deputy Paul LaFleche back to Municipal Affairs, and we wish Deputy Byron Rafuse all the best as he transitions to retirement.

Valerie Pottie Bunge is delighted to continue to serve as Associate Deputy Minister for Municipal Affairs, and Josh Eisses will take on the role of Senior Advisor to Minister Lohr.

For information about additional changes to Cabinet and the Senior Civil Service, please click on the press releases below:

https://news.novascotia.ca/en/2024/12/12/new-cabinet-builds-victory-make-it-happen-nova-scotians

https://news.novascotia.ca/en/2024/12/19/changes-senior-public-service

We look forward to continuing our work together to make Nova Scotia a better place for everyone.

Sincerely,

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