



Media Release

Town of Midland Council and CAO David Denault Announce his Early Retirement

For Immediate Release

(January 17, 2023, Midland ON) Town of Midland Chief Administrative Officer David Denault is leaving the role after accepting an early retirement package, effective January 20, 2023. Mr. Denault leaves after nearly three years with the Town, having joined the Administration just after the start of the pandemic in April 2020.

“David and Council have agreed it is advantageous to announce a new CAO early in this Council’s term as a new strategic roadmap is developed for the next four years.”, said Mayor Bill Gordon. “David is a leader who quickly understood the Town’s needs, our financial pressures, and the challenges we face as a community that provides vital economic and social services for the entire North Simcoe area. He was an advocate for the Town at upper levels of government and our success in securing funding for several community projects during his tenure here is reflective of that commitment.”

“On behalf of Town Council, we thank David for his mentorship, guidance, and dedication to the Town’s residents, and especially for his unwavering leadership during the pandemic. We wish him well in his retirement after a long career as a dedicated public servant.”

Prior to joining the Town, Mr. Denault served as Associate Deputy Minister and CEO of Service Ontario, one of the largest public service organizations in Canada. Before that, he was President of Global Services Canada and Executive Director of Global Operations Strategy with AT&T.

“I’d like to extend my gratitude to everyone in Midland and our surrounding communities who help to serve and assist the residents and businesses in North Simcoe,” said David Denault. “Through a pandemic and with ongoing pressures affecting so many lives we have all responded with a spirit of cooperation that has allowed us to continue to make this Town a very special place with a bright future.”

Mr. Denault looks forward to spending more time with family and friends and seeing his beloved Toronto Maple Leafs host a Stanley Cup Parade in Toronto this year.

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“David is known for being a caring and compassionate leader who fostered and encouraged a customer-centric culture across the organization,” said Andy Campbell, Deputy CAO. “He is a great supporter of recognizing the entire Town team and took every opportunity to thank our staff both individually and as an organization for their hard work, for their perseverance during difficult times, and for their dedication to making the Town a better place for the community”.

The Town’s Deputy CAO, Andy Campbell, will step into the role as Interim CAO while Town Council begins their discussions to explore strategic leadership options for the Town.

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