

WATERFRONT DEVELOPMENT CORP.--New Chair Appointed

John Holm has been appointed chair of the Waterfront Development Corporation board of directors the province announced today, Nov. 24.

"Mr. Holm brings the right skills and experience gained as a member of the WDCL board to the chair position," said Economic and Rural Development Minister Percy Paris. "He is committed to redeveloping and revitalizing land surrounding the Halifax Harbour, and in Lunenburg -- the two most visited destinations in the province."

Mr. Holm is a former educator and MLA who retired from public office in 2003 after 19 years that included serving on most committees of the House of Assembly. He currently volunteers at a Dartmouth food bank and sits on the boards of the Dartmouth Non-Profit Housing Society and the Dartmouth Work Activity Society.

"Nova Scotians want to see the potential of our unique waterfront resources maximized," said Colin MacLean, president and CEO of Waterfront Development Corporation Limited. "Mr. Holm shares WDCL's vision to create memorable spaces and experiences on our waterfronts that enrich Nova Scotia's cultural and economic opportunities, year-round."

Mr. Holm's term as chair begins Dec. 1 and extends through March 1, 2014. He is replacing George Archibald, whose term expires on Nov. 30, after serving as chair and a director since 2006.

Waterfront Development Corporation Ltd. is a provincial Crown corporation that manages provincially owned land along the waterfronts from Halifax, Dartmouth, Bedford and Lunenburg. WDCL recently launched a 4-stream public spaces recycling project, created free wireless for internet users, and supports Car ShareHFX, an alternative transportation company.

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