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## **City and Police Hold a Joint Forum on Community Safety**

**Abbotsford, January 27, 2009** – “City Council and the Abbotsford Police Board will hold a Public Forum on Community Safety on February 2, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in the Mastqui Centennial Auditorium,” announced Abbotsford Mayor George W. Peary today.

“Residents are concerned about public safety issues in our community,” said Peary. “It is important that citizens have a proactive role in our public safety and crime reduction strategies.”

Abbotsford Police Chief, Bob Rich will give a presentation on crime reduction issues and priorities, followed by an introduction of the Task Force strategy by Mayor Peary.

“We are in the early stages of structuring our committees and task forces and it is extremely important that the residents of Abbotsford be a part of this process,” said Peary. “This community forum will give citizens an opportunity to be engaged in the development of our Crime Reduction Strategy from the very beginning.”

For more information about the Public Forum on Community Safety visit the City of Abbotsford website [www.abbotsford.ca](http://www.abbotsford.ca).

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