



INFORMATION BULLETIN

Fraser Valley Economic Summit Coming This Fall

Abbotsford, May 5, 2014 – “The City of Abbotsford is pleased to be hosting a regionally focused Fraser Valley Economic Summit (FVES) on September 9th at the Abbotsford Centre,” announced Mayor Bruce Banman today. The purpose of the summit is to provide an event that focuses on the economic opportunities and challenges unique to small and medium sized businesses in the Fraser Valley.

“We are very excited about hosting this event and about making it a regional event that will intentionally focus on working together with our neighbouring municipalities,” said Banman. “The City gladly supports a regional, collaborative approach to this event and views it as an opportunity to share success across the dotted-lines of the Fraser Valley on an annual basis.”

Building on the success of the 2012 Abbotsford Economic Symposium, the summit has been restructured as a regional event drawing various levels of participation from the Township of Langley, City of Langley, District of Mission and the City of Chilliwack. With a full agenda, the event will include a networking breakfast and lunch, three keynote speakers, a series of breakout sessions, and a Mayor’s panel.

Justin P. Goodrich, Chair of the FVES Organizing Committee, says, “It is clear to me there is a growing desire for our communities to work together, and for Abbotsford to be intentionally addressing that desire is outstanding. One thing that was very encouraging was to have the District of Mission immediately come to the table as a Partner City and to have their Economic Development Officer sit on our organizing committee.”

“We are thrilled to see the support that industry and association representatives have already demonstrated and we believe that this year’s event will be better than ever”, says Jake Rudolph, Deputy City Manager.

For additional information, the event schedule and to register, visit www.fvsummit.ca. Seating is limited so make sure you take advantage of an early-bird rate before May 31st, 2014. Regular updates and announcements for the event will be posted on the website so stay tuned!

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