

Let me begin by thanking the North Bay Civic League for continuing to increase the public's participation in our city.

To be "the best it could be", I believe that for a community to remain sustainable, we need the right mix of business, environment and social support... a balanced approach. We must continue to enhance our quality of life and create a climate to attract new business. We must strive to be a safe and vibrant community for our youth, a great place to earn a living, and to retire in.

To get there we must continue to invest in our parks, beaches, trails, playgrounds and recreational facilities, for all our citizens and visitors alike. We need to continue to invest and replace our aging underground infrastructure, and deliver safe drinking water under the guidance of the conservation authority's source water protection plan. We must maintain and strive to enhance delivering the everyday services that our citizens require, and continue to look for affordable and efficient ways of delivering these services. Continue to invest in our Airport Industrial Business Park, and by partnering with Canadore's aviation complex we will be successful in attracting many new companies and creating the next generation of jobs. In partnership with Canadore, the Regional Hospital, the municipalities and Cassellholme we will revolutionize our long term care, add more assisted living accommodations, and create an academic learning center.....thus bringing our young and old together.

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