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ADDITIONAL BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION

Education

Gaetan Royer has a bachelor degree in architecture from Laval University. His craft was put to a test when he recently volunteered his time to design the Mossom Creek Hatchery after the old building was destroyed in a fire. The new building is already under construction, on budget and ahead of schedule.

Gaetan has a Masters degree in Urban Planning from Queen's University. He participated in writing Official Community Plans in several cities. He wrote Port Moody's Parks & Recreation Master Plan which became the blueprint for the Recreation Centre renovation and expansion, twin ice arena, Aspenwood Park, Heritage Woods Park, and the popular rejuvenation of Rocky Point Park.

Gaetan also studied engineering and later became a leadership instructor at Canada's School of Military Engineering.

Gaetan often leans on these three disciplines, architecture, urban planning and engineering to resolve municipal issues. For example he proposed the new Fire Hall's construction site, reclaimed from a road and utilities corridor, and drafted the concept plan for the new Fire Hall building.

Experience

Gaetan left the military as a senior officer in 1995, shortly after returning from Sarajevo. He held management positions in the cities of Surrey, Whitehorse then Port Moody.

He was recruited by the Chief Administrator at Metro Vancouver (population 2.5 million) to merge the Regional Planning and Regional Parks departments. Gaetan worked on a variety of regional plans including the Metro Vancouver Regional Parks Plan and the Air Quality Management Plan.

Gaetan left Metro Vancouver in January 2013 to do research for his next book and form CityState Consulting Services. CityState clients include governments, locally and internationally, non-profit organizations and private firms including Ernst & Young International.

Gaetan also owns Twindo.ca and is a partner in a property management company with assets in the Okanagan.