



City manager Ed Halliday bid farewell to the city after a 30-year service in various municipal positions.

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# City chief retires after 30 long years

"I've always looked forward to council meetings — especially this one," said city manager Ed Halliday as he bid farewell at his final council meeting.

Halliday, who has been with the City of Mississauga, Town of Mississauga and the Township of Toronto for a total of 30 years, is retiring after spending eight years as city manager.

In his farewell address to council, Halliday estimated he had attended more than 500 council meetings since taking over as city manager.

He counts as his career highlights the formation of the city's park system while he was commissioner of recreation and parks and his negotiation of the "big three" developer agreement while city manager.

Mayor Hazel McCallion praised 59-year-old Halliday as "a man of integrity" and said she appreciated his "calm way of dealing with things."

When the mayor jokingly asked Halliday if he was interested in filling Ward 2 councillor Margaret Marland's soon-to-be-vacated council seat, Halliday replied, "Not in the least."

The first thing on Halliday's calendar after retirement is a canoe and fishing trip to Quetico Provincial Park. He plans to tackle other canoe routes even farther north later in the year.

Halliday is married to wife Ann and has three children.

The City is currently interviewing to fill Halliday's position but deputy city manager Keith Cowan will take over until the new appointment is made.