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## **CITY'S NEW INDUSTRIAL PARK IS SHOVEL-READY AND OPEN FOR BUSINESS**

**Welland, ON** - The City of Welland has opened its fifth Industrial Park on the north end of the city. The new Industrial Park is located on River Road and Downs Drive and has quick and easy access to Highways 406 and 140. In 2018, Welland City Council declared the 38 acres of property as surplus land, had it rezoned to fall under the Gateway Economic Zone and Centre Community Improvement Plan, and began servicing the land to make it shovel-ready for investors.

City of Welland staff have created a very efficient development process by streamlining and expediting planning approvals. This process is building successful relationships between the city's Economic Development team and current investors and developers, as highlighted several times in provincial and national media publications.

"Dan, Lina and the development team have done a great job over the past few years, which has resulted in a need to add more serviced industrial land to our inventory," said Mayor Frank Campion. "Our new Industrial Park is now serviced and ready for the market. It is our fifth Industrial Park, and I anticipate that there will be a great deal of interest from prospective industries."

"With the recent sale of our last lot in Enterprise Industrial Subdivision I'm pleased that our River Road and Downs Drive Industrial Park is open and ready for investment," said Dan Degazio, Director of Economic Development. "The lots vary in size and can accommodate a variety of industrial sizes and uses and with the availability of the Gateway Economic

Zone & Centre CIP this park makes for a very attractive location. The Economic Development team looks forward to working with anyone interested in expanding or locating to Welland."

Home to more than 52,000 residents, Welland is located in the heart of Niagara, is a quick 1.5-hour drive from Toronto, and 45 minutes from Buffalo. Welland is also home to Niagara College and a short drive to Brock University. For more information on the City of Welland, visit welland.ca or madeinwelland.ca.

Photo: Left Dan Degazio, Right Mayor Frank Campion



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