

## News Release

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### **City appoints new Chief Combative Officer** *Pat Reid hired to support the Combative Sports Commission*

**Edmonton, August 19, 2009** – The City of Edmonton has hired Pat Reid to be Edmonton's first Chief Combative Officer.

Reid will provide the Combative Sports Commission with administrative support and will be the commission's main liaison to the industry, as well as other City departments and the public. He will also be responsible for enforcing combative sport rules and regulations.

Reid has more than 30 years of sport administration experience at the municipal, provincial and national levels. He served as the Director General of the Sport Medicine and Science Council of Canada, as the Vice President of the Canadian Amateur Hockey Association, and as a Senior Sport Consultant with Sport Canada, the federal government's sport ministry.

In addition to his governance roles, Reid was the Director of Operations for the Canadian World Junior Hockey team that won back to back World Championship gold medals. He was also the Director of Operations of the Canadian women's team that won the first International Ice Hockey Federation World Championship and he is an accomplished Olympic coach, having coached at many Olympic, Pan American and Commonwealth Games.

For the past year, Reid was a valuable member of Edmonton's 2015 Universiade bid team, working with senior staff from the City, province and University of Alberta.

The Combative Sports Commission is responsible for the governance and regulation of professional boxing, kickboxing, mixed martial arts, full-contact karate and wrestling contents in Edmonton. It is made up of seven commissioners appointed by City Council.

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