

## CAMA BOARD REPRESENTATIVE FOR MEMBER-AT-LARGE (FOR MUNICIPALITIES WITH A POPULATION UNDER 100,000) 2024-2025 NOMINEE



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## **BIOGRAPHY**

Born and raised in Brandon, Manitoba, I was always the one student who knew exactly what they wanted to be when they grew up. I just never imagined that I would do that for the entirety of my career in the same city.

While attending the University of Manitoba in Engineering, I worked for the City of Brandon in the Engineering section. Upon graduating, in what was a tough employment market at the time, I was able to transition my employment into a permanent role. Over the last 30 years, I have had

the incredible fortune to participate in a wide variety of roles most recent of which includes the General Manager of Development Services and, currently, the General Manger of Operational Services. If I was asked, I would characterize my management style as employee centric while embracing the impact of politics on the services we provide.

As a result of having been so fortunate, I have always believed in giving back to the community that has given me so much. Whether it be at the local, provincial, or national level, I have volunteered my time to share my values and life wisdom so others can learn and grow. And honestly, this goes both ways as I have taken away as much as I have given. Having recently attended the CAMA Executive Leadership Program, it was a great opportunity for all the attendees to interact and learn from their peers. My takeaway is this: as much as we are different, we are all the same and hence the importance of programs such as this.

As I head into the twilight of my career, I look back at everything I have accomplished from my success in my career to being the father of two boys who are just now embarking on their own life path. It is in my nature to continue to learn and, more importantly, to share in hopes of making the world just a little bit better.

## WHY AM I INTERESTED IN THIS BOARD POSITION?

The stigma attached to CAMA is that it is an association for CAOs or City Mangers's. Having recently attended the Executive Leadership Program, it solidified for me the belief that CAMA is and can continue to be much more than that. Understanding the roles, responsibilities, and interactions between Council, CAOs and senior administrators is critical in overcoming the ever-increasing challenges we face as communities in this country. Having been a part of that environment for the last 30 years, I believe that it is now time for me to contribute for the greater good of communities across this country.