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Rosli replaces Mohd Sayuthi as MPKj president.

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DATUK Rosli Othman is now the new Kajang Municipal Council (MPKj) president, replacing Mohd Sayuthi Bakar who has been transferred to Petaling Jaya City Council (MBPJ) to take up the post of mayor.

During the swearing-in ceremony witnessed by MPKj councillors, department heads and assemblymen, Rosli said he would practise an open-door policy in terms of leadership style.

"I will listen to all sides and promise to weigh each person's opinion before making a decision. When a decision is made, it should be accepted by all parties," he said.

He urged staff and councillors in MPKj to regard themselves as a large family unit.

"Teamwork, not individual interest, will be the driving force to spur the council to achieve its goals as a local authority," he said.

Touching on the issues of illegal hawkers and development in Kajang, Rosli said it was crucial that decisions must fall in place

with the Local Draft Plan 2021.

On the complaints received by residents regarding development projects, he said there was a need for developers to achieve a balance between progress and conserving the environment.

On the problem of illegal hawkers, Rosli said it was a pressing issue due to health and safety concerns, however, sending the council's enforcement team to chase them away was not the answer.

"It will be a never-ending problem if we continue to rely on enforcement. What we need is a

long-term solution like (building) hawker centres so they can earn a living," he said.

Rosli, who was Hulu Langat district officer, reported for work at MPKj on April 1, coinciding with his birthday.

Before this, he worked with the Selangor Islamic Department, Higher Education Ministry and Sepang District Office.

He is married to a retired school teacher and likes to play golf and has a Masters in land resource management from Universiti Putra Malaysia.