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Beyer Named the New Director of Public Works

City Also Fills Key Positions in Capital Projects and Stormwater Management

(Fredericksburg, VA) December 20, 2019 - The City is pleased to announce a change in leadership in the City's Public Works Department. The current Director, Dave King, will be retiring in January.

"After two broad searches since August, we have determined that our own Diane Beyer is the best candidate for the job," states City Manager Tim Baroody.

Diane Beyer was hired by the City as Assistant Director in 2017. She is certified as an ISA Arborist, Virginia Erosion and Sediment Control Inspector, Virginia Urban Nutrient Management Planner, and certified in 6 Pesticide Applicator categories. Her diverse background includes employment as: VDOT Contractor for State Roadside Management Division where she implemented the statewide Pollinator Habitat Program, member of the Commonwealth's DCR/DEQ team on the Chesapeake Bay Act/Stormwater/Nutrient Credit Trading programs, District Manager of the Tri-County City Conservation District, longtime Environmental Educator and Chief Historic Interpreter, and service as a National Park Ranger for 15 years.

Additionally, Ray Regan is being promoted to Assistant Director of the department. "Between Diane, Ray and Tim Slaydon (Assistant Director of Utilities) the Public Works Department will have leadership in hardscape, environmental services, utilities, and facilities that our growing community demands," says Baroody.

Ray Regan was hired by the City in 2015 as Manager Public Facilities. With a Bachelor in Business Administration and an Associate's degree in Heating and A/C, he was formerly Director of Facilities and Construction Services at Mary Washington Healthcare. Ray's significant experience in all facets of construction, handling many multi-million dollar

projects, with prior role as Director of Environmental Services at *Service Master*, have contributed to the City's overall efforts to maintain and cost-save in all of our city buildings.

Additionally, the City is excited to announce our recent selection for two more key positions. Tyler Gelles has been hired as our new Storm Water Manager and Chantz Ballard is our new Storm Water Administrator. Recruitment is now underway for two additional recently Council funded support positions.

"Our organization focuses on achieving the highest standards in service delivery, supporting our team members and helping make Fredericksburg the best place to live, work and play. I'm excited to bring in new talent as well as promote from within for these important roles," said Mr. Baroody. We look forward to the energy and expertise they bring to the City.

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