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STEPHEN MANGANIELLO APPOINTED ACTING CITY MANAGER

NATIONAL CITY, CA – City Manager Leslie Deese announced the appointment of Stephen (Steve) Manganiello as Acting City Manager. This acting appointment will come into effect on Tuesday, April 2, 2019 to coincide with the retirement of current City Manager Leslie Deese.

“Steve has been an integral part of the City’s Executive Team,” said Ms. Deese. “He is a very talented professional, extremely knowledgeable of City operations, and is deeply dedicated to the National City community. Steve has the professional and leadership experience that we need for the Acting City Manager position, and with the support of exceptional employees, he will do a great job. This appointment will ensure continuity for the organization as the search for the permanent City Manager continues.” Mr. Manganiello is not a candidate for the permanent City Manager position.

Mr. Manganiello has been with the City of National City for 12 years and is currently the Director of Public Works/City Engineer, a position he has held since 2012. He holds both a Master’s Degree and Bachelor’s Degree in Civil Engineering from the University of Wisconsin, and has over 18 years of experience in the fields of engineering and public works. During Mr. Manganiello’s temporary assignment, Roberto Yano, Deputy City Engineer, will serve as Acting City Engineer. The following Public Works supervisors will rotate as Acting Director of Public Works: Don Jasmund, Streets & Wastewater Maintenance Superintendent; Victor Uribe, Parks Superintendent and Arturo Gonzalez, Facilities Maintenance Supervisor. This rotation furthers the City Manager’s commitment to employee development.

“The City Council and I wish the very best for Leslie on her retirement and are excited to have Acting City Manager Steve Manganiello, who is a familiar voice at the table, to help us continue to move City business forward. This transition period is essential to providing a level playing field for all candidates as well as create a timeframe to select the very best candidate for the role of City Manager,” says National City Mayor Alejandra Sotelo-Solis.

Steve Manganiello says, “It’s been an honor to serve the residents of National City in my capacity as Director of Public Works/City Engineer. On behalf of all the employees of the City of National City, I want to express our gratitude to retiring City Manager, Leslie Deese. She has been a true leader, mentor, and inspiration to all of us! We wish her all the best on her well-deserved retirement. With the support of Mayor Sotelo-Solis and the rest of the City Council, together with our team of dedicated City staff, I look forward to assisting with the transition to a new City Manager.”

A national search for the next City Manager is underway. The appointments will last until such time as the search for a permanent City Manager is concluded and that individual is able to assume the role. With the recruitment closing later this month, the City Council anticipates appointing a new City Manager in April/May 2019.

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