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Concord Names Justin Ezell as Assistant City Manager
Public Works Director promoted to new leadership role

Concord, Calif. (July 7, 2021) -- Concord's Public Works Director Justin Ezell has been named the new Assistant City Manager for the City of Concord, the largest city in Contra Costa County. In his new role, Ezell will assist City Manager Valerie Barone in leading the organization as a whole, and he will specifically oversee three departments, including the City Manager's Office, Parks and Recreation, and Information Technology.

"For nearly a decade, Justin has demonstrated his commitment to the City of Concord," Barone said. "His hard work and dedication to our organization has resulted in stronger community connections, service efficiencies, and improved customer service. I am grateful to have his continued partnership, and I look forward to seeing him flourish in this new leadership role."

As Assistant City Manager, Ezell will also lead several major projects, including efforts to seek community input related to redrawing district boundaries based on 2020 Census data, advocating to state lawmakers in support of City priorities, updating the City's solid waste regulations, and continuing the City's work to help the community recover from the COVID-19 pandemic.

"I have tremendous respect for the Concord employees, my colleagues and our City Council. I am grateful for the opportunity to help advance our city priorities and continue making Concord a city of the highest quality," Ezell said. "Serving my community in partnership with the whole City team brings me great pride and a deep sense of purpose."

Ezell began his career with the City of Concord in 2012, serving as the Director of Public Works. In this role, he led the management, operation and implementation of all five operating divisions within the department, including administration, infrastructure, park maintenance, fleet operations and facilities maintenance.

Previously he served as the Public Works Superintendent for Redwood City and a Water System Operator for the City of Sunnyvale. He started his career in local government as a Water System Maintenance Worker for the City of Paso Robles.

Ezell is a graduate of the University of San Francisco where he earned his bachelor's degree in organizational behavior and leadership. He is currently enrolled in an executive MBA program through California State University, Sacramento. Ezell proudly resides in Concord with his wife, Denise, and their three children: Vivienne (7), Juliette (4), and Conrad (2).

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