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SUNNYVALE NAMES NEW DIRECTOR OF FINANCE

SUNNYVALE, Calif. – Sunnyvale City Manager Deanna J. Santana has announced that Tim Kirby will be the City’s new Director of Finance effective Wednesday, May 25, 2016.

“Among Sunnyvale’s many strengths is its exceptionally strong budget management and financial profile which is largely influenced by our Finance Department,” said City Manager Deanna J. Santana. “Tim’s depth of experience in the department means he knows our systems inside and out. He’s also demonstrated all of the characteristics of a strong Finance Director by managing resources effectively and working well within the organization to balance all of our needs. I’m delighted to be able to promote from within and maintain our talented leadership team.”

Tim has worked for the City of Sunnyvale for 20 years, serving in various roles in both the Departments of Finance and Public Works, most recently as the City’s Assistant Director of Finance. Tim also has managed the City’s budget, accounting, utility billing and audit functions and has been intimately involved with Sunnyvale’s long-term financial planning in multiple business areas for 15 years. He is also the Vice Chair of the Peninsula Chapter of the California Society of Municipal Finance Officers Association, volunteers as the Vice President of the Cambrian Educational Foundation in San Jose and formerly served as an Early Care and Education Commissioner in San Jose. Tim holds a Bachelor of Science in Environmental Studies from San Jose State University.

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“I’m incredibly proud of my twenty years of service to the Sunnyvale community, and the instrumental role the Finance Department plays in support of our City departments and staff and the breadth and quality of services they provide,” stated Kirby. “We have a talented team here and I’m honored to continue supporting them as we uphold Sunnyvale’s long-standing reputation as well-managed and fiscally sound, especially in these exciting times for the city.”

On May 9, the City released its FY 2016/17 Recommended Budget and Twenty Year Resource Allocation Plan. The City remains on solid financial footing with the budget reflecting the benefits of a strong economy. However, because the City’s revenue sources are volatile or limited in the amount they grow even in response to a positive economy, the budget recommendations remain strategic, thoughtful and prudent. As detailed in the City Manager’s budget message, this budget reflects the City Council’s strategic priorities as well as investments in internal services and critical but outdated information technology systems, while establishing a foundation for future anticipated increases in pension and other personnel costs over the next 20 years.

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