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## News Release

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### **CITY MANAGER SELECTED FOR SUNNYVALE**

SUNNYVALE, Calif. – On Tuesday, December 12, the Sunnyvale City Council announced their selection of Kent Steffens as Sunnyvale’s new City Manager following a national recruitment that included an interview panel of business and community leaders.

“Kent’s familiarity with the City organization, collaborative management style and proven track record on significant projects for Sunnyvale made him an ideal choice,” said Sunnyvale Mayor Glenn Hendricks. “Under his strong leadership, Sunnyvale will continue to deliver high quality services to our community as well as advance the City Council’s strategic priorities.”

Steffens’ appointment is pending the Council’s approval of his employment agreement, expected to be considered at a City Council meeting in January 2018. Steffens has been serving as Interim City Manager since October 2017 after previous City Manager Deanna J. Santana left Sunnyvale to become City Manager for the City of Santa Clara.

“I’m truly honored by the Council’s decision and am looking forward to working with them, our talented employees, and our community on the tremendous opportunities ahead,” said Steffens. “Sunnyvale’s services are unparalleled and we have exciting initiatives underway that will benefit the community for a long time to come.”

Steffens has more than 30 years of experience with public agencies including four Bay Area cities – Sunnyvale, Menlo Park, Palo Alto and Foster City. In addition to serving as department head responsible for public works, he has completed interim assignments as City Manager and Assistant City Manager. He also worked as a Senior Engineer for a Bay Area utility district and Construction Manager for the US Navy.

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Steffens joined the City of Sunnyvale in 2011 as Director of Public Works where he oversaw the City's capital improvement program, real estate services, transportation planning, and the maintenance of City parks, golf courses, trees, streets, sidewalks, traffic signals, buildings and vehicles. He was appointed as Assistant City Manager in September 2014 to oversee special projects that benefited from his public works experience, including the modernization plans for the Civic Center Campus and main Library.

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