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CITY SELECTS NEW FINANCE DIRECTOR

Jeffrey Wood to Relocate to Texas from Michigan

TAYLOR, Texas –Following a national search for a new Finance Director, Interim City Manager Jeff Jenkins is pleased to announce that the City of Taylor has hired Jeffrey Wood. Mr. Wood, who will be coming to Texas from Michigan, has served as the Treasurer of the Muskegon Charter Township since 2008. He will begin his new duties with the City of Taylor on March 18, taking over the reins from long-time Finance Director Rosemarie Dennis, who has held the position since 2006. Ms. Dennis, who submitted her resignation in October 2018, will retire at the end of March.

Mr. Wood holds a Bachelor's degree in Business Administration from Grand Valley State University and completed the Seidman Financial Planning Certificate Program from Grand Valley State in 2004. Mr. Wood is a Certified Financial Planner, and has served on the Planning Commission for the Muskegon Charter Township since 2010.

Mr. Jenkins said that Mr. Wood stood out from the other candidates because his background and experience seemed well suited to the City of Taylor. "I think that Mr. Wood's financial perspective will allow him to not only maintain our finances, but also help us manage our financial picture effectively and efficiently as our City continues to grow. He has a lot of great experience working with a tight budget, and I feel confident that he will do a good job of helping us stay on track. I'm looking forward to welcoming him to Texas."

Mr. Wood will be responsible for managing the day-to-day operations of the Finance Department, including budget preparation, policy development and interpretation, and preparation of financial reports. He will also provide assistance on strategic and tactical matters related to budget management, cost benefit analysis, financial forecasting, long range financial planning, utility billing, and securing new funding, as well as monitoring the financial status of the City.

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