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City Manager Alexander Nguyen Appoints Michael Wolfe as Public Works Director

OXNARD, Calif. – The City of Oxnard announces the appointment of Michael Wolfe as the new Director of Public Works. Wolfe, a prior Oxnard resident and graduate of E.O. Green and Hueneme High School, joins the City with more than 20 years of experience serving communities at the federal, county, and city level. He most recently served as the Assistant City Manager – Development Services, Director of Public Works and the City Engineer for the City of Moreno Valley, Calif.

“Mr. Wolfe is the leader Public Works needs now,” said City Manager Alexander Nguyen. “His experience from similar-sized cities will be an asset for us. We welcome his expertise as we continue to focus on City Council priorities, make Measure E investments, and utilize the one-time funding from the American Rescue Plan Act, as well as managing Oxnard’s annual Capital Improvement Program.”

Said Wolfe, “I am very excited to join the City of Oxnard as the Public Works Director. It’s a homecoming for me. I have the privilege to serve the community that I grew up in.”

In Moreno Valley, Wolfe was responsible for the oversight and policy implementation of development services Departments and Divisions in the City. He oversaw more than 175 City employees plus contract personnel while serving a community of 205,000 residents.

Wolfe managed more than \$75M in active Capital Improvement Program (CIP) projects, which included environmental clearance, planning, design, and construction. Under his guidance, Moreno Valley was awarded grants totalling \$16.8M in Transportation Corridor Enhancement Program funds and \$8.4M in Active Transportation Program funds. He also was instrumental in Moreno Valley’s general plan update and completed several engineering, planning, and construction projects as part of the City Council’s “Momentum MoVal” strategic plan.

In Oxnard, Wolfe will oversee the department with an annual budget of \$300 million, in addition to a \$600 million five-year capital improvement program. Wolfe will report directly to City Manager Alexander Nguyen. His first day with the City is Monday, October 4, 2021.



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