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<u>City Manager Alexander Nguyen Announces Appointment of Vytautas "Vyto" Adomaitis as Oxnard's Community Development Director</u>

OXNARD, Calif. – The City of Oxnard announced this week the appointment of Vytautas "Vyto" Adomaitis as its new Community Development Director.

Adomaitis has served the City of Goleta for nearly 19 years, arriving just after the City's incorporation in 2002. As Goleta's Director of Neighborhood Services and Public Safety, he led an award-winning department known for its leadership and collaborative approach to addressing community needs in Goleta and the Santa Barbara County region.

"I am extremely pleased and excited to have been chosen to be the City of Oxnard's new Community Development Director," said Adomaitis. "I'm looking forward to joining a very dedicated group of professionals at the City who are seeking to provide the highest level of public services to the residents of Oxnard."

Adomaitis' nearly 34 years of government and private-sector experience includes Community Development/Redevelopment/Planning, Downtown Revitalization, Economic Development/CDBG/Housing, Capital Projects, Building & Safety/Code Compliance, Public Safety Administration/Emergency Operations, Grants Writing, working on homelessness issues, Process Improvements/Customer Services and conducting significant community outreach efforts.

His broad expertise will benefit Oxnard residents and businesses as the City focuses on revitalizing Downtown, supporting and expanding local businesses, and continuing to streamline the permit processes.

"Vyto's local government leadership experience across many departments will be a tremendous asset to Oxnard," said Assistant City Manager Ashley Golden. "His innovative and collaborative approach to securing program results is exactly what the City needs as we focus on updating the City Council's five-year priorities and major projects including the continued development of Sakioka Farms Business Park, RiverPark, Wagon Wheel, and the Downtown."

Adomaitis' professional highlights include serving as the current Chairman of the Executive Board for the Goleta Entrepreneurial Magnet, a partnership between the City of Goleta and the University of California Santa Barbara that seeks to promote economic development activities in the Goleta area. He also led the project team for Goleta's Fire Station 10 Project, a City Council priority, which received unanimous California Coastal Commission approval last September and created a long-awaited public safety facility for the City's residents.

Adomaitis will start on February 22, 2021.