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Jim Proce Promoted to Assistant City Manager



ROWLETT, TX – City Manager Brian Funderburk has promoted Managing Director of Public Works and Development Services Jim Proce to Assistant City Manager, effective immediately. Mr. Funderburk vacated this position in December 2013, when he accepted the appointment to City Manager by the Rowlett City Council. Mr. Proce has been with the City of Rowlett, leading the Public Works and Development Services Department, since 2011.

“I am excited and energized to continue serving this great community that I call home,” said Mr. Proce. “With the development strategies, staff, City Council and the community vision all now in place, I look forward to this expanded leadership role, assisting Rowlett to reach the potential that our citizens have desired for so many years.”

As Managing Director of Public Works and Development Services, Mr. Proce was responsible for the administration of the Public Works, Utilities and Planning Departments, overseeing a staff of 60. Under his leadership, the department:

- Completed Utility analysis providing solid basis for rate proposal, established Utility Fund CIP/CASH CIP, and project delivery efficiency.

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- Created one-stop customer and developer friendly shop for permitting services functions.
- Established realistic construction standards and processes to provide protections for the City and developers alike with a focus on form-based codes for specific areas.
- Established regional mutual aid agreement for Public Works Agencies in the Metroplex.
- Established a regional presence with several funding agencies; leveraging funds for City projects.
- Completed a Departmental Strategic Plan.
- Oversaw the two-year *Realize Rowlett 2020* community vision (comprehensive plan) update.

“Jim Proce is a seasoned professional with over 30 years of leadership and experience”, said Brian Funderburk, City Manager. “He has outstanding leadership qualities and skills that will serve our organization very well in the years to come. His passion for service with an absolute commitment to his community is at the core of our citizen-centered mission.”

A Rowlett resident, Mr. Proce has over 32 years of experience in municipal government in Florida and Texas, 12 in the position of Director of Public Works. He has a Master of Business Administration from the University of Central Florida and is a graduate of the Harvard University State and Local Government Executive Training Program. During his career, he has accumulated many honors and awards including the National Community Involvement Award by the American Public Works Association (2011), and was named the State of Florida Public Works Employee of the Year by FACERS (2010). Jim is a Designated Public Works Leadership Fellow by the Donald C. Stone Center for Leadership through the American Public Works Association and is a member of the International City Management Association.

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