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**Milpitas City Manager Announces Appointment of New Public Works Director**

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Today, City Manager Steven G. McHarris announced the appointment of Christian Di Renzo as the City's next Public Works Director.

Christian has more than 12 years of combined public works-related experience having served in managerial positions with the cities of Watsonville, Benicia and Beverly Hills. As the Director of Public Works and Utilities in the City of Watsonville, he led a department of over 190 employees providing services through the Wastewater, Water, Solid Waste enterprise utilities, as well as fleet, engineering, streets, field services, utility billing and customer service, outreach and environmental sustainability operations. During his time serving the City of Benicia, he oversaw the completion of an \$8 million smart water meter replacement project, launched in-house CCTV and mobile CMMS (Computerized Maintenance Management System) operations, and oversaw the design and construction of several large-scale water and wastewater utility capital projects.

"Christian's extensive background made him the right choice to assume leadership of our Public Works Department," said City Manager Steven G. McHarris. "We will be leaning on his wealth of experience with managing the delivery of critical public works and utilities services and management experience working with a team of professionals engaged in complex and detail-oriented work. I'm happy to welcome him to the City's executive team and confident that he'll be a great asset to the Milpitas community."

Christian is highly versed with California's complex water issues and possesses in-depth experience in various facets of labor relations. "I am excited to work with an incredibly talented and hard-working team. I am very eager to start collaborating on a variety of pivotal issues facing the Milpitas community," he stated as he looks forward to his Monday, December 12 start.

Christian has a Master's degree in Public Administration from the University of Southern California and a Master's degree in Political Science from St. John's University in New York. He completed his Bachelor's degree in English and Political Science from the University of Utah. Christian was born in Rome, Italy, is a life-long fan of the Italian soccer team Juventus and enjoys reading 19<sup>th</sup> century English and French literature in his spare time.



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### **About the City of Milpitas**

Located at the southern end of San Francisco Bay, Milpitas is a progressive community that is an integral part of Silicon Valley. A full-service city with water utility, sewer utility, police and fire services, Milpitas is a flourishing community with a very diverse and inclusive resident population of nearly 80,000. Often referred to as the Crossroads of Silicon Valley, the City is situated between major thoroughfares in the Bay Area and considered a highly desirable location for world-class technology companies seeking to build a central base of operations. With the addition of the new Milpitas Transit Center offering BART, light rail, and bus service, and multiple new mixed-use development projects, along with a host of new City Plans and Programs in support of an inspiring and sustainable future, the City is at the forefront of building the next generation economy. For more information, visit: [www.milpitas.gov](http://www.milpitas.gov)

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