

Lake Oswego Hires New City Manager



The Lake Oswego City Council has selected Scott Lazenby as its new city manager. Mr. Lazenby, currently the city manager for the city of Sandy, OR, replaces Tom Coffee, who has been interim city manager since January 2013.

Mr. Lazenby brings over 30 years of solid city management experience. This experience includes larger cities (Vancouver, WA and Glendale, AZ), and most recently, the city of Sandy, OR – a city that has been on the cutting edge of innovative service provision and collaborative government.

As city manager for the city of Sandy, Mr. Lazenby was responsible for administration of city operations, staff, and managing the budget. He has extensive experience in management of large public improvement projects including construction of a sewer lagoon in Vancouver and expansion of a 400 million gallon-per-day sewage treatment plant in Arizona. In addition, in Sandy, he has overseen major upgrades to a water treatment plant, construction of a new sewage treatment plant, police station and field operations center, and a complete remake and expansion of the library. He has also been active in regional issues including urban and rural reserve issues, regional trail planning, green space, transit coordination, economic development, and transportation planning and has extensive experience working with state legislators on intergovernmental issues and lobbying.

“It’s a real honor to be selected for this position,” Lazenby said. “Professionally, I’m looking forward to working with the city council and staff. And personally, my wife and I are eager to get to know, and be a part of, this outstanding community.”

“After a thorough recruitment process that involved members of the community and staff, we have selected Scott to be our new city manager and I am very excited.” said Mayor Kent Studebaker.

Prior to his 21 years as City Manager of Sandy, Mr. Lazenby served as Assistant to the City Manager for the city of Vancouver, WA, and then Management and Budget Director for the city of Glendale, AZ. His educational achievements include a B.A. in Physics (Phi Beta Kappa) from Reed College in Portland; an M.S. in Public Management and Policy from Carnegie-Mellon University in Pittsburgh, PA; and a Ph.D. in Public Administration and Policy from Portland State University.

Mr. Lazenby will begin his duties Monday, August 5, 2013. Council approved his employment contract on June 25,

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