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Marianna Marysheva-Martinez Joins City of Riverside Management Team

New Assistant City Manager with extensive municipal background will oversee key City departments

RIVERSIDE, Calif. – Marianna Marysheva-Martinez is joining the City of Riverside as an Assistant City Manager, overseeing several key departments, including Finance, Human Resources, General Services and Internal Audit. Her first day is Monday (10/19).

Marysheva-Martinez has served in high-level management posts at cities around California, including Oakland, Mammoth Lakes, Lynwood and Maywood. For the past two years, she has worked as Managing Director of FTI Consulting, where she was building the firm's public sector practice and advised government agencies on a range of public financing matters.

“Marianna Marysheva-Martinez has a great deal of experience in many areas of municipal government, but she really is exemplary on the financial front,” City Manager John A. Russo said. “Her commitment to fiscal discipline is backed up by very strong problem-solving skills, and she is very adept at finding long-term solutions in the face of competing priorities.”

Marysheva-Martinez is respected across the state for her extensive financial management skills. She served as Budget Director in Oakland, overseeing a \$2 billion budget, from 2001-2005. She was Assistant City Manager of Lynwood from 2005-2006 and assisted Maywood with financial and organizational management from 2007-2008. She returned to Oakland as Assistant City Manager in 2008-2011. From 2011-2013, Marysheva-Martinez led the turnaround of Mammoth Lakes following a bankruptcy caused by a 2006 development lawsuit.

While Budget Director in Oakland from 2001-2005, Marysheva-Martinez worked with current Governor Jerry Brown when Brown was Mayor of Oakland from 1999-2007. Her work in the Bay Area was recognized by the Oakland City Council and then-Mayor Brown, as well as then-Mayor Willie Brown of San Francisco.

“Riverside is a dynamic and growing community, and it is known around California as a leader in providing innovative approaches to municipal government,” Marysheva-Martinez said. “I look forward to joining the management team at City Hall that is charged with taking Riverside to the next level.”

Marysheva-Martinez graduated summa cum laude from San Francisco State University with a B.A. in Urban Studies. She obtained her Master of Public Policy degree from the Goldman School of Public Policy at UC Berkeley.

She is active with professional organizations and has been a presenter and trainer nationwide on local government finance and management issues.

Marysheva-Martinez replaces former Assistant City Manager Deanna Lorson, who left the City to pursue other opportunities. Her salary will be \$212,594