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City of Riverside Names Rene Goldman as Human Resources Director

RIVERSIDE, Calif. – Rene Goldman has been named Human Resources Director for the City of Riverside. Her first day will be Monday (9/28).

Goldman has been Interim Human Resources Director since Aug. 24, when she replaced Stephanie Holloman, who took a job with the Orange County Fire Authority

“I have the utmost confidence in Rene Goldman’s ability to lead our Human Resources Department,” City Manager Al Zelinka said. “Her knowledge, resourcefulness and work ethic have been very evident during her time with the City of Riverside, especially during the past six months of the COVID-19 pandemic.”

Goldman has become an integral part of the Human Resources Department’s leadership team since joining the City of Riverside in October 2016 as a principal human resources analyst. She has directly overseen Employee Relations, Safety, and Workers Compensation. Prior to taking on the role of Interim Director last month, Goldman had served as Deputy Director since October 2017.

Before coming to the City of Riverside, Goldman worked for the Riverside County District Attorney’s Office for nine years, rising to the title of Human Resources Director for that agency. She provided high-level human resources services to a 900-person department with offices throughout Riverside County.

Goldman previously served as Human Resources Director for Robinsons-May department store in Riverside. She served as the bridge between the local store, which employed as many as 500 associates, and the corporate human resources office.

A graduate of California State University, San Bernardino, with a degree in psychology, Goldman has taken extensive continuing education coursework in the human resources field. She volunteers often in the community, including with booster clubs and parent organizations at Gage Middle and Poly High schools.

“The City of Riverside is a wonderful organization, and I am honored to take on a leadership role in the Human Resources Department. I have a strong commitment to this community and value the public’s trust,” Goldman said. “I am dedicated to cultivating an equitable and diverse high-performing workforce and am passionate about employee relations. A strong employer/employee relationship is key to any organization’s success. I look forward to working with the professionals in the office, and across the City organization, to make an outstanding organization even better.”

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