

MEMORANDUM
Office of
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
County of Placer

TO: The Honorable Board of Supervisors

FROM: Jack Duran, Supervisor District 1

DATE: November 20, 2012

SUBJECT: **COMMENDATION** – Approve a Commendation for Derrick Whitehead recognizing his 25 years of service to the City of Roseville, and congratulate him on his retirement.

ACTION REQUESTED

Approve a Commendation for Derrick Whitehead recognizing his 25 years of service to the City of Roseville, and congratulate him on his retirement.

BACKGROUND

Derrick Whitehead began his career with the City of Roseville in 1987 as an Assistant Civil Engineer with the Public Works Department. He was promoted to Associate Civil Engineer in 1989 and Environmental Engineer in 1990. The Environmental Utilities Department was formed in 1990, and Derrick was appointed Interim Director of the department in 1992 and, two years later, was named Director, a position he held through his remaining career at Roseville.

Throughout Derrick's career, he has been involved in many construction projects supporting utility services, including expansions of municipal treatment plants, groundwork and completion of environmental compliance for new regional facilities such as the Pleasant Grove Wastewater Treatment Plant, placement and maintenance of miles and miles of pipeline construction, and construction of pump stations and storage facilities.

Derrick has exhibited leadership through development of innovative approaches in managing common interests of partner agencies, including development of the South Placer Wastewater Authority Joint Powers Agency.

Derrick has worked diligently to monitor and manage the financial health of Roseville's utilities. As a result of his leadership, Roseville has a robust and well-thought-out program for planning and investing in infrastructure that is crucial for the long-term viability of Roseville's utilities.

Under Derrick's leadership, Roseville has worked to develop approaches to meet the dynamic needs of a growing community, including the creation of the Roseville Utility Exploration Center and development of a recycled water utility. A cornerstone of his forward thinking is the Aquifer Storage and Recovery program, which will improve water reliability within the city.

FISCAL IMPACT

None

NOVEMBER 20, 2012 IN THE MATTER OF A COMMENDATION FOR DERRICK WHITEHEAD REGONIZING HIS SERVICE TO THE RESIDENTS OF THE CITY OF ROSEVILLE AND THE COUNTY OF PLACER

WHEREAS, Derrick Whitehead began his career with the City of Roseville in 1987 as an Assistant Civil Engineer with the Public Works Department. He was promoted to Associate Civil Engineer in 1989 and Environmental Engineer in 1990. The Environmental Utilities Department was formed in 1990, and Derrick was appointed Interim Director of the department in 1992 and, two years later, was named Director, a position he held through his remaining career at Roseville; and

WHEREAS, throughout his career, Derrick has been involved in many construction projects supporting utility services, including expansions of municipal treatment plants, groundwork and completion of environmental compliance for new regional facilities such as the Pleasant Grove Wastewater Treatment Plant, placement and maintenance of miles and miles of pipeline construction, and construction of pump stations and storage facilities; and

WHEREAS, Derrick has exhibited leadership through development of innovative approaches in managing common interests of partner agencies, including development of the South Placer Wastewater Authority Joint Powers Agency; and

WHEREAS, Derrick has worked diligently to monitor and manage the financial health of Roseville's utilities. As a result of his leadership, Roseville has a robust and well-thought-out program for planning and investing in infrastructure that is crucial for the long-term viability of Roseville's utilities; and

WHEREAS, under Derrick's leadership, Roseville has worked to develop approaches to meet the dynamic needs of a growing community, including the creation of the Roseville Utility Exploration Center and development of a recycled water utility. A cornerstone of his forward thinking is the Aquifer Storage and Recovery program, which will improve water reliability within the city; and

WHEREAS, during his career, Derrick has received accolades from many organizations both individually and on behalf of his department. In 2004, he was honored as Water Statesperson of the Year by the Regional Water Authority; and

WHEREAS, the Roseville Utility Exploration Center received the 2008-09 Community Service Award for Resource Efficiency from the California Municipal Utilities Association and the Dry Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant was named 2008-09 Project of the Year by the California Water and Environmental Association. In 2008, the Roseville Water Treatment Plant Expansion was honored as Project of the Year by the Sacramento Chapter of the American Public Works Association.

NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE KNOWN, that the Placer County Board of Supervisors would like to thank Derrick Whitehead for his contribution to the City of Roseville and the County of Placer and congratulate him on his retirement and wish him well in the future.

Jennifer Montgomery, Supervisor District 5,
Chairwoman 2012

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