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Paul C. Boyer named City Purchasing Director

Former Columbia City Manager overseeing Murfreesboro procurement needs

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MURFREESBORO, Tenn. – City Manager Rob Lyons has named Paul C. Boyer as Director of Purchasing for the City of Murfreesboro. As the principal procurement official, Boyer reports directly to the City Manager and is responsible for the purchase of all quality equipment, services, and supplies in compliance with state laws and procurement policies.

Boyer accepted the appointment after serving as interim purchasing director following retirement from the City of Columbia, Tennessee where he served as City Manager from July 2007 to November 2012. As City Manager of Columbia, Boyer oversaw a budget of \$60 million with 380 employees and a City population of 33,000. Accomplishments included re-writing the City's Charter and consolidating the planning, engineering, and code enforcement functions into the newly created Department of Development Services.

Before serving as City Manager in Columbia, Boyer served as City Manager of Lake Worth, Florida from 2003-2007 and as City Manager of Oak Ridge, Tennessee from 1999-2003.

"We are delighted to welcome a manager of Paul Boyer's experience to oversee the City of Murfreesboro procurement needs," said City Manager Rob Lyons. "The goal of a full-fledged Purchasing Department is to continue to improve efficiency and effectiveness in citywide purchasing. Managing cost-efficient purchases is effective for both vendors and for the taxpayers."

In Lake Worth, Florida Boyer managed an operating budget of \$120 million coupled with a \$14.4 million annual capital improvement program. CIP projects included the issuance of \$70 million of revenue bonds for the construction of a reverse osmosis water plant, and the upgrading and improvement of the electric distribution system without an increase in customer rates. Boyer began his public service career as a Budget and Personnel Analyst for the Office of the Chief of Staff of the Army at the Pentagon in Washington, D.C. from 1976-1979.

Boyer will serve as procurement advisor to the administration and recommend policies to the City Attorney and City Council. Boyer holds a Master's of Science in Public Administration from

George Washington University in Washington, D.C. and a B.A. in Sociology from Millersville State College in Pennsylvania. Boyer has been a member of the International City/County Management Association for more than 35 years.

Boyer assumes the responsibilities of Althea Pemsel who served as the City's first Purchasing Director beginning in November 2014.

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1. Paul Boyer.jpg

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