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Town announces new personnel reorganization chart

PROSPER (March 9, 2020) Keeping pace with the residential and commercial growth in Prosper and, most importantly, ensuring that the Town's personnel structure, both in size and expertise, is adequate to represent and safeguard the interests of residents, the Town Manager has announced an organizational reconfiguration.

Whereas in previous years the Town's structure may have successfully operated with fewer employees, each undertaking several duties, the complexities inherent in a growing organization, dealing with an ever-expanding myriad of specialized requirements, necessitate a more responsive and agile workforce and organization.

Town Manager Harlan Jefferson has implemented an organizational structure that includes a cabinet of five direct reports, including Police Chief Doug Kowalski, Fire Chief Stuart Blasingame, and three Executive Directors who administer various portions of the organization; Administrative Services; Community Services; and Development and Infrastructure Services.

Chuck Springer, Executive Director of Administrative Services, oversees Information Technology, Human Resources, and Finance. Springer, a Certified Government Finance Officer who previously served as president of the Government Treasurers' Organization of Texas, was the Director of Finance for the City of Denton prior to joining Prosper.

He has served as Assistant Town Manager/Chief Financial Officer for Flower Mound; served the City of Arlington for 18 years as Interim Chief Financial Officer, Treasury Manager, and Cash and Debt Administrator. In addition, he served the City of Denton managing Accounting, Budget, Customer Service, Purchasing and Materials Management, Municipal Court, and Treasury Operations.

Springer earned a Bachelor of Arts from Indiana University and a Master of Public Administration from the University of North Texas.

Rebecca Zook has accepted the position of Executive Director of Development and Infrastructure Services which oversees Development Services, Public Works and Engineering Services. She will begin work in late spring. Zook counts on a quarter century of municipal experience. Most recently, she was employed as the Engineering Director for the City of Goodyear, Arizona where she oversaw a variety of teams including capital projects, development, inspections, streets, and traffic and permitting.

The City of Goodyear is home to Amazon, Nike and Microsoft campuses and, like Prosper, has experienced tremendous growth. With a population of 18,000 in 2000, Goodyear now serves nearly 85,000 residents.

Promoted as Executive Director of Community Services is current Town Secretary Robyn Battle. She will supervise the Community Library, Parks and Recreation, Communications, and the Town Secretary. Battle will oversee efforts to actively support the Council's priority to strengthen community relationships. She joined the Town in 2013 as the Town Secretary and has held the joint title of Town Secretary/Public Information Officer since 2015.

Battle was instrumental in developing several new community engagement programs, including a speaker's bureau, quarterly HOA Presidents Meetings, and the State of the Community event. Battle is a Texas Registered Municipal Clerk, she has a bachelor's degree in Psychology from Texas A&M University, and a Master of Public Administration degree from the University of North Texas.

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ABOUT THE TOWN OF PROSPER – The Town of Prosper is a fast-growing suburb with small town charm, located 30 miles north of Dallas at the crossroads of U.S. 380, Preston Road and the Dallas North Tollway in Collin and Denton Counties. Prosper sits on 27 square miles and is home to more than 25,000 people. A home-rule municipality, governed by a council-manager form of government, the town has full-time fire and police departments, including its own dispatch service. As the Town grows to its projected build-out population of 70,000 residents, Prosper's vision is to remain a "Place Where Everyone Matters."