

ARCADIA PUBLIC WORKS SERVICES DIRECTOR ANNOUNCES RETIREMENT

September 30, 2021 – Arcadia’s Public Work Services Director Tom Tait has announced his retirement from a 38-year career in public service. Mr. Tait has been Director of Public Works Services since 2010.

“It’s been my greatest honor to serve as the Director of Public Works Services,” said Mr. Tait. “I’ve enjoyed helping shape the built environment for this community and supporting its development over the past 20 years. I want to thank the Arcadia City Council, City Manager Lazzaretto, the entire Public Works Services Department, and my colleagues and friends for their support.”

Mr. Tait began his career with the City of Alhambra Water and Sewer Department. He has held several positions with the East Pasadena Water Company, City of Downey, and Santa Clarita Water Company prior to his arrival in Arcadia in 2001 as Field Services Manager. Mr. Tait’s extensive knowledge and experience in the field of water utility management and environmental safety have been instrumental to not only Arcadia but to regional water utilities throughout the San Gabriel Valley. For the past 15 years, Mr. Tait has served as an Advisory Member on the Main San Gabriel Valley Watermaster Administrative Committee.

“On behalf of the City of Arcadia, I want to congratulate Tom on his retirement,” said Mayor Sho Tay. “For the past 11 years, Tom has led the Public Works Services Department with passion and integrity. He has helped support Arcadia’s exceptional quality of life and his impact on the Arcadia community is immeasurable.”

During his tenure, Mr. Tait helped implement a wide range of improvements to the City’s built infrastructure, including the Eisenhower Park Renovation, establishing the City’s first Citywide Lighting District, and the construction of a 4 million gallon per day treatment system for the Live Oak Well along with the construction of two additional drinking water wells, ensuring the City’s water production capacity for future generations. Under Mr. Tait’s direction, the City of Arcadia has also achieved the San Gabriel Valley Energy Wise Partnership Gold Level status for the City’s extraordinary commitment to completing numerous energy efficiency projects throughout the City.

“Tom’s presence in Arcadia will be missed,” said City Manager Dominic Lazzaretto. “He’s been a steady hand at the helm of a very complex department that is instrumental to this community. I wish Tom the very best that retirement has to offer. He’s definitely earned it,” he added.

Mr. Tait’s last day is November 8, 2021. An announcement on his replacement is expected soon. For more information about the Public Works Services Department, please visit ArcadiaCA.gov/publicworks.



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About Arcadia Nestled along the rolling foothills of the San Gabriel Mountains and Angeles National Forest, Arcadia is a charming, family-oriented community with a population of just over 57,000. Located only 13 miles east from downtown Los Angeles, regional transportation networks like the Metro Gold Line connect Arcadia as a premier residential, shopping, and entertainment destination in the San Gabriel Valley. Arcadia is known for its top-rated schools, iconic landmarks, and serene neighborhoods. Arcadia is an award-winning community having been twice named as the Best City in California in which to Raise Kids and the 2017 Most Business Friendly City in Los Angeles County. With the conveniences and amenities of a full-service, mid-size city, Arcadia's "Community of Homes" provides a quality of life that will go Above & Beyond your expectations. For more information, please visit ArcadiaCA.gov or follow us on Twitter by texting DISCOVER to 33222: 很想知道这里讲的是什么吗? 我们也希望你们了解这些信息。阿凯迪亚市向公众免费提供文件翻译服务。请致电 (626) 574-5455, 向市书记官办公室了解详情。