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Lompoc Names Jim Throop As City Manager

Throop set to start in new role on July 30

LOMPOC, CA, June 12, 2018 – The City of Lompoc is pleased to announce the selection of Jim Throop as Lompoc City Manager.

Throop, who most recently served as Chief Financial Officer for the City of Oxnard, was selected by the Lompoc City Council through an involved recruitment process that incorporated a community survey.

Throop is scheduled to begin his role as Lompoc City Manager on July 30. He is set to be introduced to the community at the Lompoc City Council meeting on June 19.

Interim City Manager Teresa Gallavan has served in that role since the departure of former City Manager Patrick Wiemiller on Jan. 5, 2018. Gallavan is the Economic Development Director/Assistant City Manager, and will return to those positions with Throop onboard.

Lompoc Mayor Bob Lingl said Throop was among a talented field of city manager candidates. "Throop's experience in finance and problem-solving abilities made him a stand-out," Lingl said. "Our city council looks forward to welcoming Jim to the city, and moving forward with Jim's leadership in these challenging financial times."

Throop, who was born in Orange County, has family roots on the Central Coast and served as Director of Administrative Services for the City of Paso Robles from 2007 to 2016, when he joined the City of Oxnard.

Throughout his career, Throop has more than 30 years of financial management experience in the public as well as private sectors

Throop has a Bachelor of Arts in Economics from the University of Southern California and a Master of Business Administration from Chapman University.

Throop said he is thrilled to return to the Central Coast.

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"I'm looking forward to serving the wonderful Lompoc community, and putting my experience in finance to work for the city. I'm confident that working together with the city council, city staff and the community, we can help Lompoc shine the way it deserves to," he said.

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City of Lompoc

The City of Lompoc was founded as a town in 1874 and incorporated as a city on Aug. 13, 1888. Prior to the City's establishment, the building of La Purisima Mission in 1787 marked the earliest European settlement in the Lompoc Valley. Growth in the Lompoc Valley was sparked by the 1901 completion of the coastal railroad between San Francisco and Los Angeles, which included the extension of a spur into Lompoc. The Lompoc Valley is home to Vandenberg Air Force Base, the first missile base of the United States Air Force. Today, the City of Lompoc is a travel destination known for its downtown mural program, local wines and acclaimed cuisine, historic landmarks, parks and nearby beaches. For more information, visit:

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