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### **Gilroy City Council Selects Interim City Administrator**

GILROY, CA – The Gilroy City Council has selected former Morgan Hill City Manager Ed Tewes as the Interim City Administrator to provide day-to-day administrative management until a permanent replacement is found for Tom Haglund, who will be leaving his post in mid-October to assume duties as the General Manager of the Tuolumne Utilities District. Haglund has been the Gilroy City Administrator since 2008.

Tewes, 65, retired as the City Manager of Morgan Hill, California in December, 2012 after more than 13 years in that position. Since his retirement from Morgan Hill, Tewes has worked with CPS Consulting, which specializes in executive search for local government and nonprofit organizations. Tewes was also the City Manager of Modesto, California from 1991 to 1999 and previously served as the Clovis, California city manager. Tewes has held many positions in local government during his 40+ year career.

Mayor Don Gage indicated that Tewes has the breadth and depth of experience to lead the organization while the city conducts a recruitment for the permanent position. Gage stated, “I have known and worked with Ed over the years and believe that he has both the professional experience and knowledge of South County issues that will be an asset to the city during this interim period.”

Gilroy City Administrator Tom Haglund is pleased with the council’s selection. Haglund complimented Mr. Tewes on his collaborative approach to South County issues over the years. “Ed Tewes will serve Gilroy well and will continue the work of carrying out the city council’s Action Agenda and vision for the community. He has very successfully collaborated on many issues of mutual interest to both Gilroy and Morgan Hill over the years,” Haglund stated.

Mr. Tewes earned a Bachelor of Arts in political science from Claremont McKenna College in 1972, and a Masters in Public Administration from the University of Southern California in 1974.

Mr. Tewes will start his interim service with the City of Gilroy on October 19<sup>th</sup>.

The city council will consider the hiring of a professional recruiting firm on Monday, October 5, 2015, to oversee the recruitment process for a permanent city administrator. The recruiting firm will assist the city in defining the recruitment parameters including a community input component for the nationwide search. It is anticipated that the process will take about six months to complete which is a typical timeframe for such positions.

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