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RE: Welcome City Administrator - Interim, Sandi Fowler



Sandi Fowler, MPA, ICMA-CM City of Atkins Interim City Administrator

Please welcome Sandi Fowler to the City of Atkins. The City Council approved Sandi's contract to begin Monday, February 19, 2024. She will be serving as the City's Interim City Administrator as we conduct our search for a permanent administrator to serve the community,

Sandi lives in northeast Cedar Rapids, just minutes away from Atkins. She retired in December 2022 following a 33 year career in public service with the City of Cedar Rapids.

In Cedar Rapids, Sandi began as an Assistant to the Public Safety Commissioner in 1990, then serving as Neighborhood Liaison in 2000, working directly with community members until 2008 when she became the City's first Assistant to the City Manager. She played a prominent role in that city's recovery and facility rebuilding as a result of the flood of 2008. In 2012, Sandi became the first Assistant City Manager and in 2018, the first Deputy City Manager. Sandi provided executive management to the departments of Public Works, Community Development, Building Services, Development Services, Human Resources, and Transit.

Sandi is a Credentialed Manager with the International Association of City/County Managers. She received a BBA in Management from Mount Mercy University in 1993, and a Master's Degree in Public Administration from Upper Iowa University in 2008. In 2015, Sandi attended the Senior Executives in State and Local Government Program at Harvard University, John F. Kennedy School of Government. The Iowa City/County Management Association named Sandi the 2023 recipient of the Joe Lukehart Professional Service Award, recognizing outstanding contributions to the development and support of the city management profession in Iowa.

Sandi and her husband Mo have two adult children, Abby and Peter, and two granddaughters, Daisy and Lily, all living in Cedar Rapids.

Regards,

Bruce Visser, Mayor, City of Atkins Iowa