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City Managers with a San Diego Connection

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We have developed a random list of city management professionals with a connection to San Diego. Though some connections are extremely vague, we try to spread our acknowledgements of city management professionals throughout the great State of California. In our self-tasked mission to recognize those who practice in the city management craft we find unique ways of listing city managers. In this issue our list starts from the south in San Diego County. As stated earlier, this is a random list and not all inclusive.



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Gretchen S. Crowson is currently the Human Resources Manager for the San Diego County Water Authority. Gretchen began her working career in 2004 as a CPM Analyst for ICMA in Washington, D.C. In 2006 she was appointed to a Management Analyst post in Vista, where she worked until 2010. In 2010 she was selected to serve as the Assistant to the City Manager in Del Mar. Gretchen moved from city government in 2013 to accept the appointment for her current post: Human Resources Manager for the San Diego County Water Authority. She earned a BS at Cornell University and an MPA at New York University (NYU). Gretchen served on the Board of the Municipal Management Association of Southern California (MMASC) from 2011 to 2012.

Katie Lee Hearther is the New Miss Teen Coronado



Katie Hearther is a Sophomore at Coronado High School in the San Diego County City of Coronado. Coronado Chief of Police **Jon Froomin** presented Katie at the Miss Coronado/Miss Teen Coronado Pageant on Saturday, March 15, 2014

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Sandra L. Kerl is the Deputy General Manager of the San Diego County Water Authority. She began her public management career in 1982 as an Administrative Intern for the City of San Luis Obispo. In 1984 Sandra took an Administrative Analyst post with the County of San Luis Obispo, and in 1987 she moved south to San Diego County to become an Administrative Analyst with the City of La Mesa. She was promoted to Senior Management Analyst in 1990; Assistant to the City Manager in 1991; Deputy City Manager, Community Services in 1992; Deputy City Manager in 1997; and Assistant City Manager in 1998. Sandra was selected to serve as the La Mesa City Manager in 2003 and she worked in that position until she took her current job in 2009. Sandra earned a BA from California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo, and an MBA from the University of Redlands. In 2013 she received a 30-year ICMA Service Award.



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Paul A. Lanspery began a public management career in 1971 as a Senior Administrative Analyst in the Hartford, Connecticut's Finance Department. He was promoted to the Finance Principal Administrative Analyst in 1973 and became the Hartford Supervisor of Budget & Research from 1973 to 1976. His next assignment was the Budget Director post in Fort Collins, Colorado in 1976. He became the Fort Collins Assistant City Manager the next year (1977) and served in that position until 1981. After serving a short time as Deputy City Manager of Fort Collins in 1981, Paul came to California when he was appointed City Administrator in San Luis Obispo. He moved to the State of Washington in 1986 to serve as the City Manager of Mercer Island for the next 10-years. In 1996 he took a Senior Engineering Manager position on the private side. In 2002 Paul was appointed Deputy General Manager at the San Diego County Water Authority and served in that position until 2009. He earned an MPA from the University of Hartford. In 2007 he received a 30-year ICMA Service Award.



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Lifetime ICMA Member **James G. Marshall** began his public management career as an Administrative Intern to the City Manager of National City in 1972. [We enjoyed seeing Jim briefly at the 2014 League of California Cities City Managers Department Meeting in Long Beach.] Jim was hired on as a Junior Planner in National City in 1972, and in 1973 he took an Environmental Inspector post in Duarte. In 1975 Jim was appointed Planning Director in the City of Ceres, and he was selected to serve as the Ceres City Manager in 1978. Jim served as the Ceres City Manager for about 14-years, until he took the Merced City Manager position in 1992, where he served for the next 16-years. After retiring in 2008, Jim stayed on with Merced in an "interim" capacity for a time. He has served as an ICMA Range Rider since 2009. Jim provides Range Rider services in California's Central Valley Divisions of the League of California Cities. Jim earned a BA from California State University, San Diego. In 2007 he received a 35-year ICMA Service Award. In 2008 Jim was recognized as an ICMA Life Member.

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In 2006 Turlock formed two panels to help screen applicants for their then-open Chief of Police position. Ripon City Administrator **Leon Compton** and Merced City Manager **James G. Marshall** and others assisted expert recruiter **Bob Murray of Bob Murray and Associates** with the recruitment screening for then-Turlock City Manager **Tim Kerr**.

Dana M. Smith got her professional career started in various positions between 1979 and 1985. In 1985 she took a Senior Staff Analyst position with the San Diego County Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO). In 1994 Dana was appointed to the Executive Officer position of the Orange County LAFCO where she worked until 2004 when she was appointed Assistant City Manager in Chula Vista. Dana move to Northern California in 2007 when she was recruited to serve as the Napa Assistant City Manager. She returned to Southern California in 2010 and joined the Newport Beach staff as the Assistant City Manager. Dana left that post in 2012 and became a Partner in a San Diego consulting group. She earned a BA and an MCP from San Diego State University. In 2011 she received a 25-year ICMA Service Award.

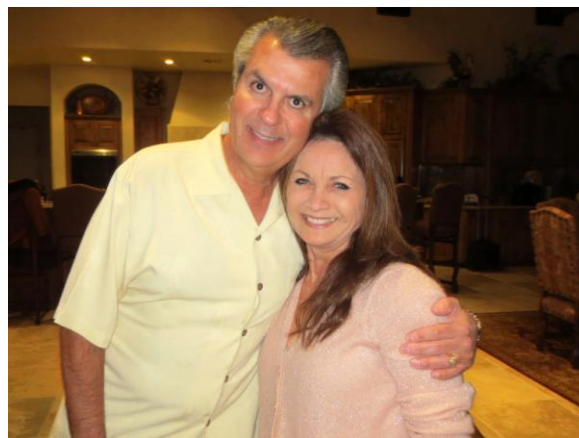


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In 1974 **Maureen A. Stapleton** began her public service career as a Recreation Specialist in the City of Covina. In 1976 she took a Recreation Supervisor position in Fontana and worked there for about four-years. In 1980, the same year that **Len Wood** was appointed City Manager, Maureen was hired to serve as an Administrative Assistant in Claremont. She was promoted to Assistant to the City Manager in 1981 and then became the Claremont Assistant City Manager in 1984. Maureen left Claremont in 1987 to become accept a Deputy City Manager appointment in San Diego. In 1991 she was selected to serve as the San Diego Assistant City Manager. Maureen left the employment of the City of San Diego in 1996 when she was appointed General Manager of the San Diego Water Authority, where she continues to serve. She is a past Chair of the Board of both the Western Urban Water Coalition, and the California Urban Water Agencies organization. Maureen earn a BA from California State Polytechnical University, Pomona, and an MPA from California State University Consortium, Long Beach. In 2009 she was the recipient of a 35-year ICMA Service Award.



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Former City Manager **Robert Hinderliter** started the company as a sales tax auditing consultant firm. Retired City Manager **Lloyd de Llamas** joined Bob, to help develop the firm to its current capabilities.

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Lyle Defenbaugh, CalTrust
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Joe Tanner, Interim City Manager, Rio Vista
Dave Carmany, Manhattan Beach
Ken Bayless, Greater L.A. Vector Control District
Kevin O'Rourke, KOLGS/PARS & Santa Ana Interim CM
Richard Ramirez, Retired City Manager, American Canyon
Vern Lawson, Lancaster
Don Penman, Interim City Manager, San Fernando
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Jan Perkins, Management Partners/ICMA
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Ken Caresio, Retired Duarte City Manager
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Wade McKinney, Indian Wells CM & President of CCMF
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John Keisler, Long Beach
Sam Olivito, California Contract Cities Association
Jack Lam, Retired Rancho Cucamonga City Manager
Larry F. Pennell, Retired Wasco City Manager
Gary Chicots, Retired City Manager
Rod B. Butler, Patterson
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Anthony Lopez, Retired City Manager
Dr. Bill Mathis, Mathis Group
Linda Lowry, Pomona
City of Cerritos
Roy Pederson, ICMA Past-President
Bruce Williams, Retired City Manager
Troy Butzlaff, Placentia
Rod Foster, Laguna Niguel
Gerald Forde, Huron
Dale Geldert, Retired CDF Director
Rita Geldert, CCMF Exec. Director & retired Vista CM
Gene Rogers, Moreno Valley Retired City Manager
Chuck Robinson, Deputy City Manager, Tustin
Gary Milliman, Brookings, Oregon
John Gillison, Rancho Cucamonga
Laura Behjan, Retired CM, Simi Valley
Doug Dunlap, Retired City Manager, Pomona
Richard Rowe, Interim CM, Canyon Lake
Robert Dickey, Former CM & retired DPW, South Gate
Randy Bomgaars, Bellflower, Past CCCA President
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Stan Morgan, Winners Ink & Toner/former Mayor & ACM
Jeff Mathieu, Big Bear Lake
Clay Curtin, Menlo Park
Jim Lewis, Pismo Beach
Kevin Duggan, ICMA & retired City Manager
David Jinkens, Retired City Manager
Charles G. "Guy" Huffaker, Retired City Manager

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Steve A. West began his public management career in 1969 as an Administrative Analyst in San Diego, and in 1970 he was appointed to serve as a Financial Operations Supervisor there. Steve became the Executive Assistant to the San Diego Chief of Police in 1974, and in 1977 he took an Executive Assistant position with one of the San Diego City Council Members. Later that year (1977) Steve served the city as a Legislative Analyst, and in 1979 he was selected to serve as the Assistant to the City Manager. Steve left San Diego in 1988 when he was selected to serve as the City Manager in the City of Lancaster where he served until 1990. In 1991 Steve was recruited to serve as City Manager in California City. In 1998 he moved to the Hesperia city organization as City Manager, and he served in that position until 2000. In 2001 Steve was appointed General Manager of the San Gabriel Valley Mosquito & Vector Control District. He served in that position for about a dozen years until he retired in 2012. Steve earned a BA from the University of California. In 1999 he received a 30-year ICMA Service Award.

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In 1994, former City Manager **Jim Barisic** founded Brandywine with a business plan to help revitalize established neighborhoods and to convert existing underutilized space into needed housing.

Jack Ratelle, II, who was appointed City Manager in Barstow in 1994, currently lives in San Diego. He started his career in 1964 in San Diego County. He became the Assistant to the City Manager in San Diego in 1967, and he move to Chula Vista in 1970 as the Assistant City Manager. Jack was appointed to the Fontana City Manager position in 1973 and served there until 1987. After a brief stint in private business he went to **Barstow**. He earned a JD from the University of San Diego. He also has an MPA from California State University, San Diego. He has a 35-year ICMA Service Award. Jack is still listed as a consultant.



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Santee is a community in San Diego County with a population of 53,413 at the 2010 census. The Santee corporate limits include 16.53 square miles. City Manager **Keith R. Till** has served as the Santee City Manager since 2000. Keith began his public management career as an Intern in New York City in 1983. In 1984 Keith was hired as an Administrative Assistant in Lancaster. He became the Administrative Services Officer in San Marino in 1987. In 1990 he was selected to serve as the City Manager in San Marino, and he served in that position for the next 5-years. In 1995 Keith was appointed to the Seal Beach City Manager post, and he worked there for the next 5-years until 2000 when he became the Santee City Manager. Keith earned a BA at Humboldt State University and an MA from the University of Chicago. In 2009 Keith received a 25-year ICMA Service Award.

Vista is a community with 18.68 square miles located in northwestern San Diego County. The 2010 census puts the Vista population at 93,834. Vista City Manager **Patrick K. Johnson** started his public management career as an Administrative Intern in the City of Solana Beach in 1995. He also worked as a Management Intern in Encinitas in 1995 and 1996. He was hired as a Management Assistant in Encinitas in 1996. Pat joined the City of Vista staff as a Management Analyst in 1998 and that began his climb upward in the Vista organization: Senior Management Analyst, 2000; Assistant to the City Manager, 2003; Deputy City Manager, 2006; Assistant City Manager, 2007; and City Manager in 2012. Pat earned a BA in Public Administration and an MPA from San Diego State University.

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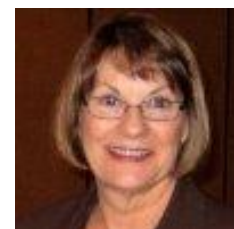
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Stephen Heaney, Managing Director, Public Finance, Stifel at Stifel Financial Corp. is a longtime former member of the CCMF Board. He previously worked for Stone & Youngberg, EF Hutton, and Crocker National Bank. He earned degrees from Texas Tech University and Syracuse University.

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Rita L. Geldert served as the Vista City Manager from 1997 until her retirement in 2011. Rita served as the Personnel Director in Vacaville between 1978 and 1982. In 1984 she was appointed Assistant City Manager in Merced and she worked in that post until 1992. That year (1992) she moved to Southern California to serve as the Director of Finance & Administration in Dana Point. She relocated to Vista as the Assistant City Manager in 1995. Rita was then appointed to the Vista City Manager position in 1997. Rita served on the Cal-ICMA Board between 2004 and 2007, and again between 2010 and 2011. She is a past President of CCMF and she served as the CCMF Executive Director following her retirement. Rita earned an AA degree from Shasta Community College, a BA from California State University, Chico, and an MBA from the University of California, Davis. Rita is married to **Dale Geldert**, a career firefighter and former Director of the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection. Rita and Dale have three children and three grandchildren.

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California Contract Cities Association Executive Director **Sam Olivito** flanked by veteran Lakewood City Manager **Howard Chambers**, and **Frank Tripepi** of Willdan at the CCCA March 19 meeting in the City of Artesia. The **55th Annual Municipal CCCA Seminar** is **May 15-18, 2014** at the Renaissance Esmeralda, Indian Wells. The program promises to be excellent. Contact the CCCA office at telephone No. 562-622-5533
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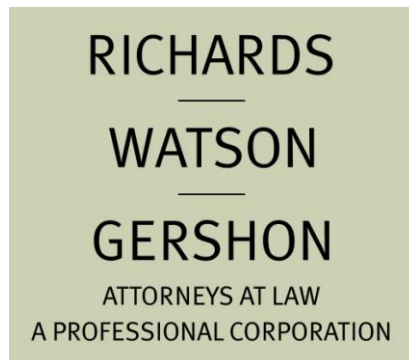
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Longtime ICMA Range Rider **Vernon G. Hazen** began his public service career in 1961 as an Administrative Analyst in Contra Costa County. In 1963 Vern took an Administrative Assistant post with the City of Mountain View where he was promoted in 1968 to Assistant to the City Manager. Vern became the Mountain View Assistant City Manager in 1970. In 1975 he left Mountain View to accept the appointment to serve as the City Manager of Mill Valley. In 1982 he moved to San Diego County as the City Manager in Escondido. Vern took the General Manager position for Chula Vista San Diego Planning in 1989. He returned to the city manager ranks in 1990 when he was appointed City Manager in Oxnard where he worked until 1993. After working a year as a consultant with his own firm, Hazen Associates, in 1994, Vern was appointed City Manager in Cathedral City in 1994. Vern has served as a Range Rider since 1997 working to serve cities in Imperial and San Diego Counties. Vern earned a BS from San Jose State University. In 1997 he received a 35-year ICMA Service Award. He currently lists Ramona, an unincorporated community in San Diego County, as his residence.

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Harvey Englander is a graduate of **UCLA**, and is a member of the Board of the **UCLA** School of Public Policy. Harvey also serves on George Washington University's Council on American Politics. **Matt Knabe** is a graduate of Pepperdine University. Matt serves on the LAEDC Board of Governors, and as President of the Paramount Education Project, among other service assignments.



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Kevin is a Past President of the City Managers Department of the League of California Cities; and a former ICMA Regional Vice President; a retired City Manager who served Stanton, Buena Park and Fairfield. He also served as Interim City Manager in Stockton, Woodland and Santa Ana.

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Laura Biery Minnich, recently seen on the new and improved Big Thunder Mountain Rail Road Ride in Disneyland with her husband Vayden, started her public service career as an Intern in the City of Encinitas in 2002. Laura worked as an Administrative Trainee for the County of San Diego in 2003, and then served as a Local Government Analyst for the San Diego County Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) from 2003 until 2005. In 2005 Laura joined the Palmdale city staff as an Administrative Analyst II and she worked in that post until 2008. In 2008 Laura was appointed to an Administrative Analyst position for the City of Santa Clarita. She left Santa Clarita in 2013 to join the West Hollywood staff as an Economic Development Analyst. Laura earned a BA from the University of California, San Diego and an MPA from San Diego State University. She was recognized by ICMA in 2009 with a Workplace Diversity Scholarship. Laura is a past President of the Municipal Management Association of Southern California (MMASC). She also served as the Cal-ICMA Chair in 2010. Among other assignments, Laura served as a member of the ICMA Task Force on Financing ICMA (2012-2013).

Perhaps we can expand on this San Diego connection list in a future newsletter. As you can see this is simply a partial list. We hope you enjoy the information. It is meant to be entertaining as well as informative. An attempt was made to include folks that touched a wide range of places throughout California. We apologize to anyone who we missed. Please believe it is nothing personal. Best wishes to all. Cheers from Trackdown!

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Sandi Ruyle



Longtime employee and former Assistant City Manager **Sandi Ruyle** passed this past month. Sandi began her career in Lakewood as a part-time intern in 1979, later taking a full-time position as Administrative Assistant. She advanced to Executive Assistant, then Deputy City Manager in 1997, and finally

Assistant City Manager in 2007. She retired in 2010 after 31 years with the City of Lakewood.

"In 30 years of a professional relationship with Sandi, and many years as my friend, Sandi was a superlative manager, a trusted colleague, a valued counselor, and a leader who devoted herself to the interests of our city," said City Manager Howard Chambers.

"Lakewood's public safety was her specialty, and our sheriff's station captains and deputies knew that Sandi was a passionate protector of our community. Lakewood benefitted tremendously from her many years of service. My heart is very heavy today, and I will sorely miss her."



Picking Up the Pieces: Steven R. Sarkozy,

60, is the new City Manager in the City of Carlsbad. Steve has served as City Manager in Bellevue, Washington; Roseville, Minnesota; and Geneva, New York. He served as Assistant City Manager in Wyoming, Michigan; and Beverly Hills, Michigan; and prior to that he served as an Administrative Analyst in Syracuse, New York in 1978. In 2012 he received a 35-year ICMA Service Award. He earned a BA from Miami University, and an MPA from Syracuse University. Steve was the recipient of a 2005 ICMA Program Excellence Award for Outstanding Partnerships: Intergovernmental Cooperation. Sacramento City Manager **John Shirey** was selected to receive the 2014 National Public Service Award presented by the American Society for Public Administration and the National Academy of Public Administration. John was presented with the award at their annual conference in Washington, D.C. on March 17. Prior to joining the Sacramento staff, John was the Executive Director of the California Redevelopment Association for 9-years. He served as the City Manager in Cincinnati, Ohio prior to that. Temple City has appointed retired Arcadia City Manager **Don Penman** to serve as Interim City Manager while the recruitment to replace former City Manager **Jose Pulido** proceeds.

Last year Don served as the Interim City Administrator in San Fernando. He previously served as the San Fernando City Administrator and later as the City Manager in Baldwin Park. Carlsbad Assistant City Manager **Kathy Dodson** has been serving as the Carlsbad Interim City Manager since November when she assumed the "interim" post following Fire Chief **Kevin Crawford**, who took the position briefly following City Manager **John Coates**, who resigned subsequent to being placed on paid leave for an undisclosed "personnel matter." John recently was appointed to the Napa Parks and Recreation Director position. Retired Anaheim City Manager **Dave Morgan** of Ralph Andersen & Associates was retained to assist the city with the recruitment of a new City Manager. West Des Moines, Iowa City Manager **Greg Sparks** has been appointed to serve as the next Eureka City Manager. Greg previously served as the Town Manager in Mountain Village, Colorado. He earned a BA from the University of Northern Iowa and an MPA from the University of Nevada. Greg's tentative start date in Eureka is May 1, 2014. Tracy City Manager **Leon Churchill** has been terminated. Leon was appointed to the Tracy City Manager post in May, 2008. Assistant City Manager **Maria Hurtado** will serve in an Interim City Manager capacity for the immediate future. Leon's employment agreement with the City of Tracy was terminated effective Wednesday, March 5, 2014. Cypress veteran City Manager **John B. Bahorski** has been terminated effective March 3, 2014. Director of Finance & Administrative Services **Richard M. Storey** has been appointed to serve as the Cypress Interim City Manager. John was appointed to the Cypress City Manager post in 2007. He previously served as the Seal Beach City Manager (2001-2007), Dana Point City Manager (1997-2001), Grover Beach City Manager (1995-1997), and the Calistoga City Administrator (1992-1995). He earned an MPA from Ohio State University. Former Coronado, Upland, Westminster and Huntington Beach City Manager **Ramon "Ray" Silver**, who has been retired, will assume the Interim City Administrator post in Ketchum, Idaho. Ray earned a BA from California State University, Los Angeles, and MPA from California State University, Fresno. His first day in Ketchum was March 4, filling the position vacated by City Administrator **Gary Marks**, who left for another position in Oregon. Ray is a past President of the City Managers' Department of the League of California Cities (2002-2003). **Justin Hyer**, Editor of PublicCEO.com attended the March CCA meeting in Artesia.





More Pieces Picked Up: **Deanna Santana**, 43, Oakland's City Administrator, has been replaced by Deputy City Administrator **Fred Blackwell**.

Deanna was recently an unsuccessful candidate for the Dallas and Phoenix City Manager positions. Fred joined the Oakland staff three years ago as the Assistant City Administrator. He previously was on the executive staff of the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency. Previous to coming to Oakland, Deanna served as the San Jose Deputy City Manager. Pismo Beach City Manager **Jim Lewis**, 39, celebrated his one-year anniversary as City Manager on Saturday, March 1, 2014. He took over from retired City Manager **Kevin M. Rice**. Jim is the former Assistant City Manager in Atascadero. Santa Rosa City Manager **Kathy Millison**, 62, has announced that she will retire in September after 3 and a half years at the helm in Santa Rosa. She joined the Santa Rosa staff in 2010 after a long tenure as the City Manager of Clovis. She work for Clovis for 27-years, 19-years as City Manager. Kathy is a member of the CCMF Board. Norwalk City Manager **Mike Egan** addressed a State of the City gathering indicating that Norwalk sees a strong economic resurgence. Norwalk is Los Angeles County's 15th largest city. Mike presented Norwalk's "2020 Vision" strategic action plan to the gathering. Sacramento City Manager **John F. Shirey** is a former City Manager in Cincinnati, Ohio...home of the Cincinnati Reds of Major League Baseball's National League. Previous to going to Cincinnati John served as the Assistant City Manager in Long Beach. He was the Executive Director of the California Redevelopment Association from 2002 until his appointment to his current Sacramento post in 2011. **Adolfo Reta**, former Monterey Park Director of Development Services (1991-2009), who served as the Monterey Park Interim City Manager between July, 2007 and June, 2008, is the new Principal Community Development Planner for Willdan Engineering. Adolfo earned an AA at East Los Angeles College, a BA at California State University, Los Angeles, and an Juris Doctorate from Western State University College of Law. Four King City police officers, including the recently retired Police Chief and the Acting Chief of Police, have been arrested in a scheme to steal impounded vehicles.



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City Manager **Michael Powers** of King City said that the Monterey County Sheriff's Department and officers from the nearby Cities of Gonzales and Soledad have volunteered to help police King City now that so many of its officers have been taken off duty. Selma City Manager **D-B Heusser**, 70, began his public service as a volunteer firefighter for the San Bernardino County Fire Department in 1961. He has served as the Selma City Manager for the past 13-years. He attended Orange Coast College in Costa Mesa, and he earned a BA in American history from California State University, Fullerton. He earned a Master's degree in religious education and American church history from the American Baptist Seminary of the West in Berkeley. He has served as a minister, a newspaper writer, and as the Executive Director of the Selma Chamber of Commerce. **Eric Lardy**, a Staff Officer in the CAO's office of the County of San Diego from 2007 to the present is an MPA graduate from the University of Southern California (USC). Galt City Manager Jason **Jason Behrmann** presented a "State of the City" report that highlighted the City's festivals and new commercial project, including a WalMart set to open this summer, according to News-Sentinel staff writer **Jennifer Bonnet**. The event was sponsored by the Galt Chamber of Commerce at Brewster's Bar & Grill. Brawley City Manager **Gary Burroughs** was terminated in 2011, following a 2008 termination of City Manager **Oscar Rodriguez**, and **Rosanna Bayon Moore** was appointed to the post. She became the first woman full-time City Manager in the City's 103-year history. Previous to her City Manager appointment Rosanna served as a Regional Affairs Officer with the Southern California Association of Governments. She previously served a four-year term as a member of the El Centro City Council. **Yoko J. Igawa** of Foothill Transit and **Arabo Parseghian** of La Cañada Flintridge Co-Chaired the MMASC Winter Forum Committee.

