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**MAYOR APPOINTS MARGARET A. (PEGGY) STEENO
AS THE CITY OF FRANKLIN DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION**

Mayor Steve Olson has appointed and the Franklin Common Council has confirmed Peggy Steeno as Franklin's Director of Administration, effective July 5, 2020.

Following Mark W. Luberda's resignation after 13-1/2 years with the City, the Common Council authorized hiring an executive search firm to guide the City in a national search for a replacement. Over 75 applicants were received, which is a strong turnout for such a position. Following an extensive review and interview process, Mayor Olson and a selection committee chose Ms. Steeno.

Ms. Steeno comes to us with more than 28 years of public sector experience, including positions with the State of Wisconsin, the Cities of Waukesha, Oshkosh, Menasha, and, most recently, the City of West Allis, where she has served in various roles. Her varied experience makes her the ideal candidate for Franklin's top staff executive.

Steen's educational background includes an undergraduate degree in Accounting and German; an MBA, focusing on Human Resources and Training & Technology; and she is a Certified Public Accountant.

Mayor Olson desired to find a candidate who sees "the big picture", will function as a strong leader, and can be an innovative problem solver with strong finance and communication skills. Mayor Olson noted that "The detailed process and my conversations with Peggy make me confident that she is the right person to help move the City forward in this important position. I believe she will be an exceptional leader and a policy innovator and will serve the Council, the staff, and citizens well through these challenging financial times," explained Mayor Olson.

Steen and her husband are residents of West Allis, Wisconsin, and are avid sports fans and enjoy the outdoors. They have two grown children.

Steen's first day of work will be July 6, 2020.

For additional information on Director of Administration Peggy Steen's appointment, please contact Dana Zahn, Human Resources Coordinator, City of Franklin at 414-427-7505 or at dzahn@franklinwi.gov.