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Kenmore City Council Appoints City Manager

Kenmore, Wash. – Kenmore City Council announced at a regular meeting on Monday, December 8 that Frederick Stouder will join the City of Kenmore as City Manager, effective January 1, 2009. Mr. Stouder has served as the Interim City Manager since August 2008. Mr. Stouder comes to the City of Kenmore with more than 30 years of governmental professional experience.

“The Council feels very fortunate in finding a city manager with his qualifications and dedication to the city,” Mayor David Baker said. “We look forward to the growth of Kenmore under his guidance.”

The employment agreement states that Mr. Stouder will serve as city manager, effective January 1, 2009 and continuing through the close of business on January 1, 2011. At the end of this term the parties may consider renewing the employment agreement.

Mr. Stouder said he felt honored to be asked to continue as the City Manager after his interim services, and stated he is looking forward to being part of the community and supporting it and the City Council in meeting community goals.

Mr. Stouder has held several administrative positions in local government, including roles as a Planning and Community Development Director and Assistant City Manager in Yakima, Wash. He served as the first City Manager in the then newly incorporated City of Burien, Wash. in the 1990s during its first five years of incorporation; later served as City Manager in Petaluma, Calif., a full service city of 60,000 inhabitants; and for the City of Goleta, Calif., a city with a population of 30,000. Mr. Stouder also operated his own consultant business for seven years, assisting public, private, and non-profit clients in five states in planning, community development and management. His clients included more than a dozen cities in Washington state, as well as the Association of Washington Cities, and the State of Washington; the states of Michigan, Iowa, Virginia, and Alaska; and a two-year White House Rural Initiatives Demonstration

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Program assessing and addressing impacts in rural areas from large scale development and construction.

Mr. Stouder is a graduate of Indiana University, and completed graduate studies in Community Development at Southern Illinois University. He completed the University of Virginia Senior Executive Program for City Managers at the Darden School. He also served as a Peace Corps Volunteer in Costa Rica in Urban and Rural Community Development.

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