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GLENDALE ANNOUNCES NEW ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OFFICER

Christian Green brings a valuable combination of public and private-sector experience to the role

Glendale, Ariz. – The city of Glendale is pleased to announce that Christian Green has been selected as its new Economic Development Officer. Green has 25 years of experience leading teams in strategic development and communication. His resume includes the attraction of major capital investment and oversight of significant projects around the Southwest. He has been responsible for over \$14 billion worth of projects, ranging from commercial and industrial, to retail, aviation, healthcare and education markets.

He served as the Economic Development Manager in Scottsdale and as the Economic Development Project Manager in Goodyear. Most recently, he was the Director of Development for Sonoran Crest, a commercial construction company in Phoenix. There, he represented private clients through various phases of development, from site selection to design and construction.

"We are excited to have someone who is so well rounded bringing both private and public-sector expertise to the role of creating economic opportunity in Glendale," said Glendale City Manager Kevin Phelps. "Our city is in high-growth mode and his exceptional communication and business development skills make him uniquely qualified and valuable as we continue the momentum we have going as a growth leader in Arizona."

As Economic Development Officer, Green will assist the Economic Development Team with business attraction, development, retention and expansion in the city of Glendale. He will be a primary bridge between internal staff and the greater development community, building relationships, planning strategies and attracting high-quality commercial projects to the city. He will be closely involved with projects citywide, including along the fast-growing Loop 303 corridor, which is a global center for development.

"This team is poised to continue to make a big impact on the state with development projects which are bringing high-quality jobs to the city," said Christian Green. "I'm impressed with the way they do all they can to streamline the process for businesses and make it a supportive business environment. I jumped at the opportunity to represent this fantastic community and advance and promote this region."

Green was instrumental in the strategic planning efforts for development in both Goodyear and Scottsdale. As a longtime West Valley resident, he is already familiar with the area and the types of projects that make Glendale the city of choice for people to live, work and play.

"The key to success, in my opinion, is to be a conduit to my client's success," said Green. "It will be my prime objective to work with the team to ensure project success for our community."

Green holds a Bachelor of Business Administration degree with an emphasis on International Marketing and Finance from Washburn University in Kansas.

He begins his new role on Monday, September 12, 2022.

For more information about Glendale's economic development efforts and small business resources, visit www.growglendale.com.

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