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### **City of Murrieta Welcomes New Administrative Services Director**

**Murrieta, CA:** The City of Murrieta is pleased to announce the addition of Diego Chavez to its leadership team. Chavez joins the Murrieta executive team as the new Administrative Services Director. Previously, Chavez served as the Human Resources & Risk Management Administrator for the City of Rancho Santa Margarita where he oversaw human resources, risk management, and emergency management since 2015. He has 20 years of experience in personnel management and is passionate about the field.

Chavez expressed his excitement as he joins the Murrieta organization. "Murrieta is a thriving city with a rich history and shared values. I am humbled and excited to join the executive team as the next administrative services director. I want to thank the City's leadership for this opportunity, and I can't wait to contribute to the connected culture they have developed. Work quality and teamwork are essential to me, and I plan to be an approachable and positive leader for my staff and the organization as a whole," shared Chavez.

The administrative services director, plans, organizes, manages, and provides administrative direction and oversight for all functions and activities of the Administrative Services Department. This includes, human resources, risk management and information technology services. In his new role, Chavez will help formulate the departmental budget, policies, goals, as well as coordinate activities with other City departments, officials, outside agencies, and the public.

Chavez is bilingual and has a Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Idaho in Business Management and Human Resources and holds the professional designations of *Professional in Human Resources (PHR)* and is certified by the *Society for Human Resource Management (SHRM-CP)*.

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#### **About Murrieta**

Murrieta's more than 115,000 residents live in one of the safest cities in the U.S., with top-ranked schools, 52 parks, and a dynamic business environment. Central to all of Southern California, Murrieta is truly the gem of the valley. With a median age of 36 and an average household income of \$122,207, Murrieta boasts a well-educated population and a strong labor force. Ranked the fiscally healthiest full-service city in Riverside, San Bernardino, Orange, and Los Angeles counties, Murrieta's future is undoubtedly bright.

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