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BEAVERTON HIRES NEW COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

- Don Mazziotti Brings More Than 35 Years of Development Expertise to the Role -

Beaverton, Oregon (September 16, 2009) – Mayor Denny Doyle announced today that planning and community development expert **Donald F. Mazziotti** has been selected as Beaverton’s new Community Development Director. Mazziotti was tapped to lead the 38-person Community Development Department following an extensive recruitment and selection process. The Community Development Director serves as advisor to the Mayor, City Council and staff on development issues and is a key member of the Mayor’s executive team. Mazziotti will join the City of Beaverton on or before September 28, 2009.

“Don Mazziotti brings the leadership skills and depth of experience in urban planning and community development that I feel we need to create a vibrant central core in Beaverton,” said **Mayor Denny Doyle**. “We’re putting together a great team that I’m confident will make that happen.”

“I’m looking forward to joining the team and working closely with the talented staff at the City of Beaverton to help make the community an even better place to work and live,” Mazziotti said.

A former executive director of the Portland Development Commission (2001-2005), Don Mazziotti brings more than 35 years of economic and community development, public administration, planning, real estate and finance expertise to his new role as Community Development Director. An independent real estate development consultant since 2005, Mazziotti was the Senior Vice President, Urban and Mixed Use Development for Harsh Investment Properties from 2005 to 2007. Previously, he served as the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Delta Development Group, Inc. (government relations, economic planning and management consulting), as chief technology officer to Governor Kitzhaber, as Deputy Assistant Secretary of Transportation in the United States Department of Transportation, and as chief planner for the City of Portland’s Bureau of Planning. A graduate of Drake University, he holds a master’s degree in urban planning and a law degree, both from the University of Iowa. He also served as a professor of planning at the University of Iowa teaching development law, advocacy planning and citizen participation. He has served as an adjunct professor of planning at Portland State University and Pennsylvania State University.

About the Community Development Department

The Community Development Department performs four primary functions that are vital to the economic prosperity and livability of Beaverton: **Planning Services, Building Services, Economic Development, Urban and Downtown Redevelopment**. The department is responsible for updating the Comprehensive Plan and other long-range plans as directed by City Council and the Planning

Commission; reviewing public and private physical development proposals; participating at the local, regional and state levels regarding long-range land-use issues; issuing building, plumbing, heating/cooling and electrical permits; managing the City's federally funded grant programs, **Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)** and **HOME** and oversight of downtown revitalization and business development in partnership with the **Business Development Services** staff. The Community Development Director role has been filled on an interim basis by Steven Sparks since April 2007.

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