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ATTENTION: Honorable Mayor and City Council

SUBJECT: Appointment of Department Information Officer, Metropolitan  
Wastewater Department

SUMMARY

THIS IS AN INFORMATION ITEM ONLY. NO ACTION IS REQUIRED ON THE PART OF THE CITY COUNCIL.

I am pleased to announce the promotion of Mr. Alan Watkins to the position of Department Information Officer (DIO) for the Metropolitan Wastewater Department (MWWD) effective October 13, 2001.

Alan joined the City in 1975 and spent his first 12 years working in law enforcement. In 1987, he joined the Special Projects Division of the Water Utilities Department in what was the beginning of the Clean Water Program and eventually evolved into MWWD. He developed the MWWD Information Systems Section from three people into a team of twelve IT professionals supporting over 900 department employees. In April 2001, Alan was asked to tackle the interim Information Technology (IT) Strategic Plan Program Manager assignment reporting to the Chief Information Officer (CIO) in the City Manager's office. In this role, Alan's responsibilities have included revising the City's new IT Strategic Plan to incorporate key elements related to the strategic partnership with San Diego Data Processing Corporation, and to ensure components related to the IT organization reflect the needs of all stakeholders. He has also begun the implementation of several strategic initiatives.

Alan is in the process of transitioning to his new responsibilities with the Metropolitan Wastewater Department. Please join me in congratulating Alan on his new assignment.

Respectfully submitted,

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City Manager