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ATTENTION: Honorable Mayor and City Council

SUBJECT: Appointment of Risk Management Director

## **SUMMARY**

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

I am pleased to announce the appointment of Bill Lopez to the position of Risk Management Director. This position is responsible for directing the administration of the City's Public Liability Program, Workers' Compensation Program, and various other employee benefits, savings, and support programs.

Bill is currently the Deputy Director of the Operations and Maintenance Division of the Metropolitan Wastewater Department (MWWD). He started his career with the City in 1986 as an Administrative Trainee in the Personnel Department. After advancing through the analyst series, he was appointed to a management position in the Labor Relations Office in 1992, as a Labor Relations Representative. In 1997 he was appointed to the Metropolitan Wastewater Department as an Assistant Deputy Director, and was promoted to Deputy Director in April of this year. Bill's instrumental role in developing and implementing MWWD's Bid-to-Goal Program provided him with valuable experience in measuring and optimizing performance and managing organizational change.

Bill is a native San Diegan and a graduate of San Diego State University. Please join me in congratulating Bill on his appointment.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael T. Uberuaga City Manager