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City Names New Planning and Community Development Director

New Braunfels, Texas — The City of New Braunfels has announced that Mr. Christopher J. Looney has been selected as Planning and Community Development Director. A resident of New Braunfels, Mr. Looney will assume his duties beginning May 11th.

"There was an in-depth application process that included senior City management and also a panel of staff representatives from the department," said City Manager, Robert Camareno. "Numerous applications for the position were received, both from in and out-of-state, and we believe Mr. Looney's practical planning knowledge and customer-centered focus approach to successful development will bring innovative ideas and solutions to our growing City."

Most recently in his sixteen year career, Looney has served as the Development Services Policy Administrator for the City of San Antonio, after also holding the title of Assistant Planning Director with that municipality. His earlier career was spent in planning and transportation development for the City of San Angelo.

He holds a B.S. Degree in Urban and Regional Planning and is currently completing his Masters of Business Administration with a concentration in Ethical Leadership. He also serves as a section officer for the American Planning Association.

The Planning and Community Development Director is charged with assuring the effective coordination of multiple programs and strategies required to meet the City's land use and development planning strategies and also directs building inspections and code enforcement functions, among other duties.