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Westminster City Council appoints Marwan Youssef to city manager

WESTMINSTER, Calif. - The Westminster City Council has unanimously appointed Marwan Youssef, the city's public works director, as the new city manager. Effective 1 p.m. on Feb. 12, Youssef will serve as the city's top executive.

Youssef began his career in government as a civil engineering assistant for the City of La Habra. In 1988, Youssef was hired as an associate civil engineer for the City of Westminster and later promoted to city engineer. He has served as the public works director/city engineer since 2005.

"Throughout his career with the city, he has demonstrated an understanding of the community and the needs of the city," said Mayor Tri Ta. "He is an experienced leader and is committed to this organization."

Youssef will replace Sherry Johnson, who has been serving as the interim city manager since February 2020 and previously in the Finance Department as a senior staff accountant, accounting manager, and finance director.

"I am deeply honored for this opportunity to serve this council and the Westminster community," said Youssef.

Youssef holds a Bachelor of Science and Master of Science in Civil Engineering from University of Louisiana, Lafayette; and a Ph.D. in Civil Engineering from University of California, Irvine.

At its Feb. 10 meeting, the City Council also approved a contract amendment with the city's legal service provider, Jones and Mayer, to appoint Christian L. Bettenhausen as the city attorney, replacing retiring city attorney Richard D. Jones.