City announces new Information Technology Department and Chief Technology Officer

Ventura, Calif. - After a competitive, nationwide recruitment, the City of Ventura has selected Mitchell Cameron as the new Chief Technology Officer in the Information Technology (IT) Department.

"The City of Ventura recognizes the essential role information technology plays in connecting public services to our employees, residents, businesses, and community stakeholders," said City Manager Alex D. McIntyre. "I'm glad to welcome Mitchell as the director of our newly formed information technology department."

Mitchell was selected to lead the newly formed 23-member IT Department in implementing the City's strategic plan. This includes managing new and replacement software, identifying emerging technologies, and ensuring strategic business investments are customer-focused and deliver the highest value to the public.

"I am truly excited to continue my work with the City of Ventura in this new capacity. I look forward to leading the organization's effort to leverage technology and enhance the way we provide services to the community," said Chief Technology Officer Mitchell Cameron.

Mitchell brings over 12 years of public and private sector experience to the position. He previously working for the Pleasant Valley Recreation and Park District, GEICO, and the United States Navy. He began his career with the City in 2017 as a Management Analyst in the then Finance and Technology Department. Soon after, he was promoted to Senior Analyst in the City Manager's Office and was appointed the City's Business Innovation Manager in 2021. He holds a master's degree in Management Information Systems from National University, a master's in Business Administration (MBA) from California Lutheran University, and a bachelor's degree in Management from American Military University.

Although the City has long had an Information Technology Division within its Finance Department, Council approved the creation of an Information Technology Department in June 2021.

For more information about the City of Ventura's Information Technology Department, visit www.CityofVentura.ca.gov/InformationTechnology.

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