



Cole Hetman to join City of Dayton as development coordinator

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Cole Hetman will join the Office of the City Manager as development coordinator, effective Aug. 11, 2025.

As development coordinator, Hetman will pursue large-scale economic development opportunities throughout the city and work to attract investment in the greater downtown area by interacting with developers, funders, business and property owners, government agencies, and City of Dayton staff.

Hetman will collaborate with community partners including CityWide Development Corporation, the Downtown Dayton Partnership, the Dayton/Montgomery Port Authority, the Montgomery County Land Bank, the Dayton Development Coalition, and others.

Hetman joins the City of Dayton after serving as economic development program coordinator for Greene County, where he focused on economic development incentive programs and business retention. He has also served Washington Township and the City of Gahanna, Ohio, in resource management and administrative capacities.

He earned a Master of Public Administration degree at Ohio University and a B.S. in Biology and Spanish at Heidelberg University. He also earned the Ohio Certified Economic Developer credential from the Ohio Economic Development Association.

"We are happy to welcome Cole to Team Dayton," said City Manager Shelley Dickstein. "His interpersonal and technical skills, as well as his enthusiasm for Dayton, will support the continued growth of investment and development in our region's core."

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