



Two promoted in new Dept. of Planning, Neighborhoods and Development

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Two veteran City of Dayton employees are being promoted to division management positions in the newly established Department of Planning, Neighborhoods and Development.

Verletta Jackson, a 25-year City employee, will be Manager of the Division of Community Engagement. As division manager, Jackson will oversee staff members performing neighborhood outreach, communications and capacity building. The division will also include operation of the Welcome Dayton immigrant-friendly city program.

Jackson was previously Community Engagement Supervisor for the City of Dayton, with responsibilities for neighborhood outreach programs and special programs including the Neighborhood Leadership Institute. She earned an MBA in Management/Leadership Change at Indiana Wesleyan University (2020) and a B.S. in Management Information Systems at Central State University (1993).

Carl Daugherty will be Manager of the Division of Housing Services, which will perform housing inspection, nuisance property abatement and zoning code enforcement. The division's structure and employee cross-training will allow it to focus on reduction of neighborhood blight.

Daugherty was previously zoning administrator for the City of Dayton (since 2014) and held related positions with the City from 1990 to 2003. He has also served in administrative and planning positions with Harrison Township and the City of Trotwood. He earned a Master of Public Administration (2007) and a B.S. (1987), both at Wright State University.

"Dayton's residents and businesses can count on these professionals for continued customer service excellence and dedication to innovative community development," said City Manager Shelley Dickstein.

The new Department of Planning, Neighborhoods and Development was approved by the Dayton City Commission on June 16, 2021.

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