

## **NEWS RELEASE**

## Herndon Town Council Adopts Resolution to Appoint Interim Town Manager

Herndon, VA (August 14, 2024) – The Herndon Town Council has adopted a resolution to appoint Christopher Martino, former county executive for Prince William County, as interim town manager to replace departing Town Manager Bill Ashton. Ashton has resigned his position with the town to accept the county executive position in Stafford County. His last day as Herndon's manager is September 10, 2024.

Martino's appointment was facilitated by the Bridgewater, VA-based Berkley Group and is in effect from September 3, 2024, until a permanent replacement for Ashton is named, likely in the first quarter of 2025. The town will be working with an executive search firm to conduct a national search for the town's next manager.

Additional interim management changes include the appointments of two town department heads to Acting Deputy Town Manager positions. Scott Robinson, the town's director of Public Works, will have oversight for the Community Development, Golf, Parks & Recreation, Police and Public Works departments. Kirstyn Jovanovich, currently serving as Town Clerk, will have oversight for the Communications, Economic Development, Finance, Human Resources, Information Technology and Town Clerk departments. Robinson and Jovanovich will report to Martino and move into their new interim roles effective immediately.

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