

# Press Release

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## Windsor Heights Names New City Administrator

Windsor Heights, Iowa (August 5, 2016) – The City of Windsor Heights hired Elizabeth Hansen as their new city administrator, filling a position vacant since May. Hansen currently serves as administrator in Nevada, Iowa and was named City Manager of the Year in 2014 by the Iowa City/County Management Association. She begins in Windsor Heights on October 10.

Hansen has 15 years of experience as a city administrator, serving the City of Nevada since 2007 after Jefferson, Iowa and Elk Point, South Dakota.

“I’m thankful to our Council for their vision and leadership which led to this outstanding hire from a field of 31 candidates,” said mayor Diana Willits. “We’re thrilled to have Elizabeth join us.”

Hansen was hired by a unanimous vote in an August 3 City Council meeting. Mayor Diana Willits has been serving as interim administrator since early May when the previous administrator separated from the post to accept a position in Johnston. Willits continues to serve as acting city administrator until Hansen arrives.

“Hansen’s expertise in creating long-term financial sustainability is going to serve us well,” said Willits. “She has amazing communication skills and a proven ability to manage growth, including community and economic development, and she will develop a strong team including retaining staff with effective training and professional development.”

Hansen has a Bachelor of Science degree in Paralegal Studies from National American University in Sioux Falls and a Master’s in Public Administration from the University of South Dakota. She is a credentialed City Manager per the International City/County Management Association and an Iowa Certified Municipal Clerk.

Hansen is relocating with her husband and two children. She can be reached at [ehansen@windsorheights.org](mailto:ehansen@windsorheights.org).

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