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CITY OF SIGNAL HILL APPOINTS THOMAS BEKELE AS PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

SIGNAL HILL, CA - After conducting a rigorous executive search, the City is pleased to announce the appointment of Thomas Bekele as its newest Public Works Director. Mr. Bekele has a Bachelor's in Civil Engineering from the University of Minnesota, Twin Cities and a Master's in Structural Engineering from California State University, Northridge. With his experience in both the public and private sectors, Mr. Bekele brings a unique skill set and perspective having served previously as an engineer, construction contractor, manager, and small business owner. Prior to joining the City of Signal Hill as Contracts Manager in 2020, Mr. Bekele served as Construction Manager for the City of Anaheim as well as Project Manager for the Kitchell Corporation. Mr. Bekele looks forward to continuing to improve the City's infrastructure while providing residents and businesses superior customer service. Mr. Bekele will begin his tenure in his new position effective February 28, 2022.

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