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City Promotes Tracy Coleman to New DPW Post

FREDERICK, MD – June 14, 2019: Tracy Coleman has been promoted to the position of Deputy Director of Public Works for Engineering and Operations, filling a new position approved earlier this year by the Mayor and Board.

After the Deputy Director of Public Works (DPW) for Operations position was vacated on Oct. 31, 2018, Public Works Director Zack Kershner reviewed the organizational structure.

“I realized an opportunity to streamline functions between Engineering and Operations,” he said. “These departments interact, collaborate and cooperate in their daily efforts to plan for, study, design, construct and maintain infrastructure. To improve overall department functionality, I proposed creating a new position of Deputy Director of DPW for Engineering and Operations.”

The new position required a change in the City Charter, which the Mayor and Board approved Feb. 21, 2019.

Coleman has more than 25 years of progressively responsible engineering experience in both the public and private sectors. She has been an engineer with the City since 2014, and has managed several infrastructure projects. In 2018, she retired from the US Army Reserve as a lieutenant colonel and has served in both Iraq and Afghanistan as an engineer, managing and leading large teams to complete complex construction projects.

“Her education, experience and exceptional communication skills make her the ideal candidate for this position,” Kershner said.

Mayor Michael O’Connor said, “Frederick has been very fortunate to have Tracy leading our Engineering Department, and she is bringing outstanding experience and knowledge to this new position. I am confident that Tracy’s leadership will bring new opportunities and ideas for the benefit of public works, and the City as a whole.”

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