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**HASTINGS CITY ADMINISTRATOR MELANIE MESKO LEE
NAMED BURNSVILLE'S NEXT CITY MANAGER**

Anticipated Start Date is Monday, Jan. 14, 2019

The Burnsville City Council approved a contract with Hastings City Administrator Melanie Mesko Lee during their Nov. 20 meeting, naming her Burnsville's next City Manager. Mesko Lee will be Burnsville's eighth City Manager, replacing Heather Johnston who resigned in June after more than five years as Burnsville's top administrator. Mesko Lee is expected to begin in her new position Jan. 14, 2019.

Mesko Lee has been City Administrator for Hastings since May 2013. Prior to that, she had served as Hastings' Assistant City Administrator since 1999.

During her time in Hastings, she has served as a member and past president of the Minnesota City/County Managers Association (MCMA) and the Association of Public Management Professionals of Minnesota (APMP). She has also been an active member in the International City/County Managers Association (ICMA), the League of Minnesota Cities and Metro Cities.

Mesko Lee holds a Master of Arts in Public Administration from Hamline University; and a Bachelor of Science in Public Administration with a Minor in Urban and Regional Studies from Mankato State University.

The City Council interviewed three candidates for the position including Mesko Lee, Shakopee Assistant City Administrator Nathan Burkett, and Burnsville Director of Administrative Services Dana Hardie.

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