


Office of the City Manager

January 8, 2015

To: Honorable Mayor and Councilmembers  
From: Christine Daniel, City Manager   
Subject: Deputy City Manager Appointment

I am pleased to inform you that I have appointed Dee Williams-Ridley as the new Deputy City Manager for the City of Berkeley.

Ms. Williams-Ridley is currently the Deputy City Manager for the City of Modesto, where for the past four years she has overseen Human Resources, Public Information, Information Technology, Public Works, and the Community and Economic Development Departments, in addition to working closely with the Modesto City Council on city-wide strategic planning.

The City conducted an extensive recruitment for this position and Ms. Williams-Ridley's commitment to public service, community engagement, and cultivating strong team environments made her the clear choice to join the Berkeley team.

Previously in Modesto, Williams-Ridley served as Human Resources Director, after working as Assistant Director of Human Resources for San Mateo County and Personnel Services Manager for Sacramento County.

Among the management experiences Ms. Williams-Ridley brings to Berkeley are strategic planning, labor relations, budgeting and performance measurement. She is the chair of the Committee on Diverse Communities for the League of California Cities. She received a Bachelor's degree in Government from California State University, Sacramento.

Please join me in welcoming Ms. Williams-Ridley to her new position as Deputy City Manager, starting February 9, 2015.

cc: Ann Marie Hogan, City Auditor  
Department Directors  
Matthai Chakko, Public Information Officer