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Town of Bloomfield Announces New Leadership in Department of Building & Land Use

BLOOMFIELD, CT – The Town of Bloomfield has announced the addition of two leadership positions in the Department of Building and Land Use as Dennis Goderre joins the Town as the Director of the department, while Justin LaFountain joins Bloomfield as the department's Assistant Director.

"We are very excited to welcome Dennis Goderre and Justin LaFountain as the new Director and Assistant Director of the Town of Bloomfield's Department of Building and Land Use," said Stanley D. Hawthorne, Town of Bloomfield Town Manager. "Starting within just days of each other, I refer to them as the "dynamic duo" that will lead, manage, and organize the visionary and planning arm of the organization on behalf of the community."

Goderre brings over 25 years of experience to the Town of Bloomfield in land use planning, urban design, and site engineering. He is a landscape architect licensed in Connecticut and Florida and holds the credentials as a certified planner with the American Institute of Certified Planners, including their advanced credential of Certified Urban Designer. He has played leading roles as a staff member of the City of Hartford, the Town of Waterford and the City of Groton and senior manager for private consulting firms. His experience includes facilitating efficient land use and economic development initiatives, large and small scale land development projects ranging from housing, mixed use development and Brownfield redevelopment.

Goderre graduated from the University of Connecticut with a BS in Landscape Architecture and also holds an AS in Chemical Engineering.

LaFountain has been involved in Planning and Zoning since 2014. He is a certified planner with the American Institute of Certified Planners and is a certified zoning enforcement official with the Connecticut Association of Zoning Enforcement Officials. He has previously worked for the City of Hutchinson in Kansas, the Town of Wethersfield in Connecticut, and the Southeastern Connecticut Council of Governments.

LaFountain graduated from Central Connecticut State University with a BA in Geography with a Concentration in Planning.

“We have many opportunities on the immediate horizon that I am excited to see Dennis and Justin take charge of including long-term community visioning, the ten year state-required plan of conservation and development, an affordable housing study and its action planning, and positive change coming through the new development agency ordinance recently approved by Council to reinvigorate the center and other commercial areas of Bloomfield,” Hawthorne concluded.

About the Town of Bloomfield

Bloomfield is a picturesque Connecticut village, graced with rural beauty, abundant land, quality schools, dynamic commercial building projects, and a highly educated work force. Located just 10 miles west of the state capital of Hartford, the Town encompasses 26.4 square miles and has a population of 21,000 residents. Visit: www.bloomfieldct.gov