

THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF SAN JOSE
MEMORANDUM

TO: MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL	FROM: HARRY S. MAVROGENES
SUBJECT: ORGANIZATIONAL ANNOUNCEMENT	DATE: JANUARY 21, 2011

I am pleased to announce the appointment of Jim Forsberg as the Agency's Chief Operating Officer effective January 27th. He is returning to the Agency and will be helping me lead the organization through its current financial challenges. He served as Assistant Executive Director of the Agency from 1990 – 1999. Most recently, Jim served as the Director of Planning and Economic Development for the City of Concord. His experience managing a wide variety of programs for the cities of Concord, Inglewood, and Phoenix have given him a broad perspective on the importance of a multidisciplinary approach to solving City issues including economic development, redevelopment, affordable housing, code enforcement, neighborhood services, engineering, building and safety programs.

Having conducted a recruitment process several months ago, Jim emerged as the top applicant. We postponed the appointment for budgetary reasons. However, the recent departure of several Agency staff and the workload necessitated by the governor's budget announcement, has made it clear that Jim's expertise will be critical. As I have stated before, the position will no longer be a City position as it was prior. Jim will be an Agency employee with the commensurate Agency benefits, at significantly lower cost to the Agency.

I am sure that you join me in wishing him every success in his new role.



Harry S. Mavrogenes
Executive Director