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GARY WHATCOTT APPOINTED INTERIM CITY MANAGER
SOUTH JORDAN, UT – January 8, 2014

During the South Jordan City Council Meeting on Tuesday, January 7, 2014, South Jordan City Assistant City Manager Gary L. Whatcott was appointed as Interim City Manager following the recent resignation of City Manager John H. Geilmann. Mr. Whatcott will begin his duties effective immediately.

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Mr. Whatcott and his wife are long-time residents of South Jordan City, where he has worked in various capacities since July of 1991. Whatcott retired in 2003 from 25 year career in public safety after becoming the first full-time fire chief in the history of the South Jordan Fire Department, after which he was hired to work as a senior city administrator. Mr. Whatcott also previously worked as a police officer for West Jordan Police Department. He has over two decades of municipal management experience, having worked most recently as an Assistant City Manager since 2003. Mr. Whatcott holds a Masters in Public Administration from Brigham Young University and a Bachelors of Science in Business Administration from the University of Phoenix. Mr. Whatcott and his wife are the parents of four children and grandparents of 11 grandchildren.

“I am grateful for the trust and confidence of the Mayor and City Council, and look forward to continuing to serve the residents of South Jordan. I appreciate the opportunity to continue to work together with our dedicated city employees as we continue to move South Jordan forward” Whatcott said.

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The City of South Jordan, one of the fastest growing cities in the United States, is located 20 miles southwest of Salt Lake City, and home to 58,000 residents. In 2010 and 2012, South Jordan was named the #18 “Best Place to Live in America” by Money Magazine.