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Building Official Torres to assume construction manager job

Building Official Al Torres assumes the duties of the City of San Angelo's construction manager effective Monday, July 2. Deputy Building Official Charlie Kemp will serve as the interim building official, managing the Building Permits and Inspections division.

The construction manager designs, coordinates and manages the City's construction projects. That includes developing designs, bid specifications and contracts; working with consultants and contractors; evaluating bid proposals; managing contracts; inspecting projects; and performing general contractor and project manager duties.

Among the projects that have involved the construction manager are the renovations of City Hall, Murphey Performance Hall and the Business Resource Center, revitalization of the Concho River, and construction of Love Municipal Pool and the dog park.

"This will be an interesting new challenge," Torres said. "I'm looking forward to working on projects that are meaningful not just to our city government but to our citizens."

Torres succeeds David Knapp who accepted a private-sector job in Austin in May. A licensed architect, Torres joined the City as its building official in 2009.

"The projects on which the construction manager works greatly impact San Angelo's quality of life," Assistant City Manager Rick Weise said. "We're fortunate to have in Al Torres a known quantity with extensive architectural and construction experience who is willing to take on those responsibilities."

The building official manages the Building Inspection and Permits division, overseeing the review of building plans and specifications, the issuance of building permits, the inspection of new construction, and the enforcement of building and safety codes.

Kemp has 26 years experience with the City in planning and development. That has included serving as the coordinator for 911 addressing, for geographic information systems (GIS) and for development, as a plans examiner, and, since 2015, as the deputy building official.

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