City Council Regular Meeting AGENDA ITEM

	NUMBER: 19			
SUBJECT:				
Appointment of Wilson Ramos as Community Services & Engagement Director. (Citywide) (For Possible				
Action; Recommendation – Ratify)				
REQUESTED BY:	WARD:			
Wilson Edgell, Director of Human Resources	(Citywide)			
RECOMMENDATION OR RECOMMEND MOTION:				
Ratify the Appointment of Wilson Ramos as Community Services & Engagement Director.				
FISCAL IMPACT:	ACCOUNT NUMBER:			
Amount: \$137,504.90 + Benefits	00100-140616-400110			
Explanation: New Community Services & Engagement Director				

STAFF COMMENTS AND BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Salary: \$137,504.90 + Benefits

Appointment of Wilson Ramos as Community Services & Engagement Director

Service Date: 5/30/2023 Date Appointment: 5/30/2023

Wilson Ramos is a dedicated and passionate professional with extensive experience in community services and engagement. As the Community Services and Engagement Director, Wilson brings his exceptional leadership skills and unwavering commitment to making a positive impact on the communities he serves. Wilson has spent over 17 years working in various nonprofit organizations, government agencies, and community-based initiatives. He possesses a deep understanding of the challenges faced by marginalized populations and has consistently strived to implement innovative services.

Born from Humble beginnings in Brooklyn New York and raised in a low-income neighborhood/projects, Wilson experienced firsthand the challenges that individuals and families face when they lack access or awareness to supportive services.

Determined to make a difference, Wilson pursued higher education, earning a full ride scholarship to play Football at Fresno State University. There, Wilson represented his family as the first to graduate from higher education and earned a Bachelor's degree in Criminology with an emphasis on Victims. Post graduation, Wilson worked for several years in community-based organizations, providing case management and support services to individuals experiencing homelessness and those at risk of becoming homeless due to lack of resources, mental health/substance abuse.

Throughout his career, Wilson has successfully designed and implemented numerous community engagement programs, fostering strong partnerships between organizations, government entities, and local residents. His ability to build and maintain collaborative relationships has resulted in effective community-driven initiatives that have improved access to essential services, increased community participation, and enhanced overall well-being.

In 2010, Wilson helped establish the YouthBuild Las Vegas program servicing At-Risk youth by offering education and paid work experience developing affordable housing. This program is now recognized as the premier DOL program Nationally. In 2018, Wilson transitioned to Chicanos Por La Causa (CPLC) and worked to advance policies and initiatives that promote supportive housing, Workforce Initiatives, services for people experiencing homelessness, and programs that support community development. He has testified before local and state legislative bodies, written articles and op-eds for local media outlets, and served on various advisory boards and task forces overall directly impacting thousands of lives.

In recognition of his work, Wilson has received numerous awards and accolades, including the 2013 outstanding leader award. Now, father of 3 outstanding young ladies and Husband to a wonderful wife, Wilson is blessed to maintain his legacy as a community advocate developing innovative ways to interlink programming and development creating more equitable and inclusive communities for all.

CIP No.		Related Item:		
LIST CITY COUNCIL GOAL(S): Responsible Fiscal Management				
PREPARED BY:	Respectfully Submitted		MEETING DATE:	
Wilson Edgell, Director of Human Resources	Ryann J City Ma		August 2, 2023	