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Park City Municipal Announces Assistant City Manager Selection

Matthew Dias will begin work on August 26

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Matthew Dias, the current Director of Traffic and Parking for Somerville, Massachusetts, has been selected as the Assistant City Manager for Park City Municipal Corporation. As the Director of Traffic and Parking, Dias is responsible for managing a staff of 65 and an operating budget of \$3.5 million. During his tenure he has implemented new technologies, enhanced customer service and overall department performance. Dias held two other positions with the City of Somerville prior to his current position. He first served as the City's Budget Director where he was responsible for an annual operating budget of more than \$175 million. He later served as the Mayor's Aide and was accountable for the performance of 10 city departments. Located just north of Boston, Somerville has a population of approximately 75,000 within 4.2 square miles.

In making the selection, City Manager Diane Foster cited Dias' impressive financial and organizational management skills in municipal government. *"Matt brings a strong resume of municipal government successes including closing budget deficits and organizational turnaround through enhanced performance management and customer service."* Dias' prior experience as a Financial Analyst for the Bureau of Labor Statistics and a Legislative Correspondent in both the U.S. House of Representatives and the U.S. Senate brings what Foster described as a unique combination of local and federal legislative and budget experience. Foster added that Dias' public transportation experience in Somerville will be *"a great resource as Park City continues to expand its multi-modal transportation network. Matt will be a great addition to the Park City Municipal team."*

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Park City conducted a nationwide Assistant City Manager recruitment this spring. Dias was selected from a field of 130 applicants from across the United States. From the initial applicant pool, 17 candidates participated in telephone interviews. Five finalists were interviewed in Park City in a process that included a mock Council staff report and presentation. Dias was vetted through rigorous reference and background checks prior to his appointment.

Dias earned a Master of Public Administration from American University in Washington, DC and a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from the University of Vermont. He was a volunteer for the 2002 Salt Lake Winter Olympic Games and later worked in the hospitality industry in Park City. Dias fills the vacancy created earlier this year following Diane Foster's appointment as City Manager.

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