

SeaTac Mayor Steps Down from Council Seat

SeaTac, WA (September 13, 2018) - SeaTac Mayor Michael J. Siefkes announced he was stepping down from the City Council during the September 11, 2018 Regular Council Meeting.

"I am proud of the work we have done as a City Council over the last two-and-a-half-years," said Siefkes. One example of his legacy during his tenure is the successful signing of an interlocal agreement between the City of SeaTac and the Port of Seattle that he described as a "model of relationship with the Port." In addition, Siefkes spoke about further accomplishments of this Council, "We have cut taxes by millions of dollars by not raising property taxes...we have been able to save the citizens and I think truly, we have made the City a better place."

"During his tenure, the Mayor has made a significant impact to the City," says City Manager Joseph Scorcio. "During his term, the City has gone from a projected budget deficit to a healthy reserve fund and also improved relationships with our neighboring cities and community partners such as the Port of Seattle."

At the end of the Council meeting, Siefkes praised his fellow Councilmembers and stated," I am really happy with the Council as I leave, I feel the City is in great hands."

Siefkes is a long-term resident of SeaTac, and is married with six children. Following the meeting, he shared that he and his family are planning to move out-of-state.

Siefkes' term began in January 2016 and runs through December 2019. In addition to his current responsibilities as the Mayor, Siefkes also served and chaired multiple City and regional committees.

In the interim, Deputy Mayor Erin Sitterley will serve as the Acting Mayor. At the next Regular Council Meeting on September 25, the City Council will elect the Mayor and Deputy Mayor and discuss the process of choosing a replacement for the unexpired term for Council position #5 vacated by Siefkes.

About the City of SeaTac:

Incorporated in February 1990, the City of SeaTac is located approximately midway between the cities of Seattle and Tacoma. The City of SeaTac is 10 square miles in area and has a population

of 29,140*. The City is a vibrant community, economically strong, environmentally sensitive, and people-oriented. The City boundaries surround the Seattle-Tacoma International Airport, (approximately three-square miles in area) which is owned and operated by the Port of Seattle. *July 1, 2017 (US Census Bureau)

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