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City of Montebello Appoints New Department Directors

Montebello, CA – The City of Montebello today announced the appointment of two new department heads: Adrianna Kendricks as Director of Transit (Montebello Bus Lines) and Michael Chee as Director of the Public Affairs and Information Technology Department. Both appointments represent the City's focus on increasing internal efficiencies in an effort to improve operational oversight and management of critical functions and staff.

"I am pleased to be able to appoint both Mrs. Kendricks and Mr. Chee as leaders of these respective departments," said Montebello City Manager René Bobadilla. "These promotions demonstrate our commitment to increasing leader diversity and inclusion as well as acknowledging leadership skills and progress that help Montebello to improve as a City across our operational needs."

As Director of the Transportation Department, Mrs. Kendricks will oversee the day-to-day operations of Montebello Bus Lines (MBL), the third largest municipal transportation provider in Los Angeles County. MBL operates seven local routes, one express route, a semi-fixed-route feeder service and a Dial-A-Taxi service that has provided transportation services to more than seven million riders annually over the past decade.

Kendricks previously served as MBL's Assistant Director before being promoted to department Director. She brings more than 20 years of experience in the transit industry, having worked at a wide array of local transportation agencies. To this day, she still maintains a valid commercial driver's license.

As Director of Public Affairs and Information Technology Department, Mr. Chee expands his role overseeing all City external and public engagement communications, social and digital media and will take on vital projects to improve the City's technology infrastructure and all engagement through the City's social media, website and other digital and print platforms.

Mr. Chee's career spans more than 30 years serving in corporate and public affairs leadership positions. Prior to joining Montebello, he managed all external communications programs and strategies for a division of AECOM, one of the nation's largest infrastructure management firms. He has an extensive background in crisis and incident management as well as public and ethnic audience engagement.

The City of Montebello was founded in 1920 and is located eight miles southeast of downtown Los Angeles. Its history dates back to the days of the native Tongvan peoples and early Franciscan missionaries. Today it is a full-service City including police, fire public safety services and one of the region's largest public transportation systems, Montebello Bus Lines. The city's multi-cultural resident population is approximately 63,000 covering a footprint of approximately eight square miles. For more information visit www.MontebelloCA.gov or follow us on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter.