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City of Renton Names New Airport Manager

RENTON, WA - The City of Renton is pleased to announce that Harry Barrett, Jr. has been appointed as Airport Manager for the Renton Municipal Airport. Barrett has served as the airport's assistant manager since June 2015. He officially assumed his responsibilities today.

"We are very fortunate to have Harry, a dynamic professional with hands-on experience in aviation and the transportation industry," said Mayor Denis Law. "He is a collaborative team player with a strong focus on building customer relationships and the ability to enhance airport operations. He is a great asset to our management team and the Renton airport."

Barrett brings more than six years of airport management experience to his new position. In addition to his experience at Renton Municipal Airport, he has worked as an airport operations supervisor at SeaTac International Airport, airport operations specialist at the Port of Bellingham and as the chief of aviation management for the United States Air Force.

During his time at Renton Municipal Airport, he has been responsible for implementing master plan updates, including working with the Boeing Company. He has worked with state and federal regulators, customers, tenants, and the community to ensure regulations compliance, improve services and develop sustainable economic practices. His background also includes oversight of commercial ground transportation, budgeting, contract negotiations, permitting, safety and incident response.

Barrett is a native of Kansas City, Missouri, and served in the Air Force as a mission crew aviator aboard the E-3 AWACS. He received his Bachelor of Science in Aeronautics from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University in Daytona Beach, Florida, and holds two Master's Degrees: Public Administration, with a concentration in Disaster and Emergency Management, from Park University in Kansas City; and Global Management from the Thunderbird School of Global Management at Arizona State University. His hobbies include international travel, cooking, bowling and tennis.

The Renton Municipal Airport ranks as the fourth busiest in the state of Washington and had over 127,000 operations from October 2015 to October 2016. All maiden flights of Boeing's 737, which is manufactured in Boeing's plant adjacent to the runway, take-off from the Renton Municipal Airport. The airport is also home to three flight schools, two seaplane operators and over 200 aircraft.

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About the City of Renton

The City of Renton, Washington, with a population of 101,300 (2016), is located on the southeast shore of Lake Washington, just south of Seattle. Renton's strong economic base, diverse marketplace and favorable business climate have attracted the attention of nationally recognized companies that are providing employees and their families an outstanding quality of life. Renton is the home of Boeing, PACCAR, IKEA, the Seattle Seahawks,

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