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Shane Moloney assumes duties as City of Renton City Attorney

Renton also hires Leslie Clark and Cheryl Beyer as senior assistant city attorneys

RENTON, WA -- The City of Renton is pleased to announce that Shane Moloney has assumed responsibilities as the city attorney, effective April 1, 2017. Moloney replaced Larry Warren, who retired after 43 years with the city.

"Shane has gained valuable experience working for the city the past two years," said Mayor Denis Law. "That will allow us to continue to provide the same high level of service. It's tough losing Larry's 43 years, but Shane is certainly the right person to take over."

Moloney joined the City of Renton as a senior assistant city attorney in 2015 after serving as the city attorney for Mill Creek. He came to Renton with an eye towards helping the department transition as Warren carried out his plan to retire at the end of March 2017. Moloney has also served as an assistant city attorney and city prosecutor for the City of Mercer Island and represented a variety of municipalities and other clients while working for a law firm in Seattle.

He was born and raised in King County and graduated from Thomas Jefferson High School in Federal Way, Washington. He attended Central Washington University, in Ellensburg, Washington, where he graduated summa cum laude with a degree in Law and Justice and dual minors in Business Administration and Sociology. He earned his J.D. from the University of Washington's School of Law. When he is not testing out the latest technological gadgets, most of his free time is spent with his family, including second and third grade boys.

The city has also hired Leslie Clark and Cheryl Beyer as senior assistant city attorneys to fill Moloney's former position and one vacated by the retirement of Zanetta Fontes at the end of March after 35 years of service. Clark and Beyer are experienced attorneys and bring a wealth of knowledge to the department.

"We look forward to continuing the work of Larry (Warren) and Zanetta (Fontes) and honoring their legacy," said Moloney. "It's our goal to continue providing the same high quality legal services to the city."

Clark worked for law firms in King, Pierce, and Thurston counties, focusing her practice on land use and environmental issues and related litigation. She has advised on land development and entitlement issues; negotiated environmental cleanup matters; analyzed rates and taxing authority of local government; served as counsel to several Washington special purpose districts; and litigated a broad range of civil matters including land use, environmental,

contract, employment, and civil fraud issues. Clark has published on land use and environmental topics. She is a native of Tacoma, Washington, and served as a land use planner for local governments in Washington, Utah, and Louisiana prior to becoming an attorney.

Beyer was raised and educated in Western Washington and has over 20 years of experience working for several law firms representing multiple cities and several Washington special purpose districts and municipal corporations. Beyer has also served as a judge pro tem in local district and municipal courts.

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, and the eternal resting place of Jimi Hendrix. More information can be found on our website (rentonwa.gov), Facebook page ([CityofRenton](https://www.facebook.com/CityofRenton)) and Twitter ([@CityofRenton](https://twitter.com/CityofRenton)).

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