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## VILLAGE ANNOUNCES NEW PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR MONICA SARNA

Following a nationwide recruitment process which resulted in an outstanding group of candidates, Village Manager Phil Kiraly announced the appointment of Monica Sarna as the Village of Glencoe's next Public Works Director. Ms. Sarna will start in her role as Public Works Director on October 23, 2023. The recruitment effort was conducted by GovHR USA and the interview process involved community partners, elected officials, Public Works Department staff and members of the Village's senior leadership team.

Ms. Sarna joins the Village with 13 years of experience as a Professional Engineer, and a degree in Civil Engineering from Bradley University. She is currently serving as Assistant Engineering Director for the Town of Wake Forest, North Carolina where she has worked since March 2020. Among her many duties, she oversees a team of engineers tasked with managing the town's Capital Improvement Projects and assuming the role of Floodplain Administrator where she successfully updated Wake Forest's municipal separate storm sewer system and its stormwater maintenance program. Before starting her career in municipal government, Ms. Sarna worked as an engineer for several private engineering firms, Rummel Klepper & Kahl (Raleigh, NC), Milhouse Engineering & Construction (Chicago, IL), and Kudrna & Associates (Chicago, IL) overseeing millions of dollars in utility investment projects and significant teams across multiple states.



Reporting to the Village Manager, Ms. Sarna will oversee all Public Works Department operational areas that include maintenance of the Village's public infrastructure network including sanitary and storm sewer systems, streets and sidewalks, traffic management, fleet and equipment, and building and grounds, water production and distribution as well as in-house and contractual engineering services. Ms. Sarna will lead the planning and management of the Village's 10-Year Community Investment Program, which includes well over \$50 million in future investments into the community's infrastructure and will also serve as project manager for the new Glencoe Golf Club Clubhouse, which is expected to be under construction by late summer 2024.

"I am so pleased and proud to have Ms. Sarna join our community as the Village's next Public Works Director," noted Village Manager Phil Kiraly. "Her varied and dynamic skillset will guide her leadership of the Public Works Department and will bring a fresh, thoughtful perspective to the services we provide. Throughout the interview process, Ms. Sarna

exhibited exceptional professionalism and a keen awareness of the near- and long-term needs of the Glencoe community while underscoring her commitment to meeting and exceeding the expectations of our residents. She will be a fantastic addition to the Village,” he said.

President Roin noted that “the Public Works Director is charged with overseeing some of the most visible and tangible services the Village provides and must be passionate about delivering the best possible services to our residents. It is clear Ms. Sarna exemplifies the customer service mentality that our Village prioritizes. Her passionate, and energetic spirit will be a benefit to maintaining the high levels of service we have come to expect while continuing to advance and adapt services and infrastructure to meet the changing needs of our community.”

In commenting on her appointment, Ms. Sarna noted, “I am so pleased to join Glencoe’s team and to have the opportunity to serve the residents of this community. So much important work has been done under the steady guidance and leadership of the Public Works Department, thanks to the unwavering commitment to providing the highest level of service to residents exhibited by the entire Public Works Team. Continuing that legacy is inspiring and a unique challenge I look forward to undertaking.”

The Village of Glencoe looks forward to welcoming Ms. Sarna to our community. In the coming months, the Village will host formal and informal opportunities to meet the new Public Works Director.

Former Public Works Director Dave Mau retired on August 1, and since that time General Superintendent Don Kirk has been serving as Interim Public Works Director. He will continue in that role until Ms. Sarna begins on October 23.

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