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## Banks Named Acting City Manager

Harrisonburg, Va. – The Harrisonburg City Council has made an appointment for acting city manager.

Ande Banks, the city’s current deputy city manager, has been tapped to serve as the acting city manager until the next city manager is hired. On Tuesday, October 24, City Council appointed Banks to serve in this capacity and to replace the retiring city manager on the number of boards and commissions in which he serves.

Kurt Hodgen is retiring from his role as city manager on Tuesday, October 31 after serving the city for 16 years.

“Ande is a very talented individual, who is technically sound in terms of his knowledge and understanding of city operations,” explained Kurt Hodgen, retiring city manager. “He has outstanding interpersonal skills and with the support of exceptional department directors, he will do a great job.”

This appointment will be effective on Wednesday, November 1.

The search for the next city manager is underway and interviews will take place in the coming weeks. It is the goal of City Council to name the next city manager sometime in November.

*The City of Harrisonburg is centrally located in the Shenandoah Valley of Virginia. It is home to almost 55,000 people. More information about the City of Harrisonburg is online at [www.HarrisonburgVA.gov](http://www.HarrisonburgVA.gov).*



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