



# News Release

**Contact:** Raul Mendez, City Manager

**May 8, 2020**  
**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

## **Merry Mayhew Selected as Hughson's Next City Manager**

*"I am happy to have Merry move into the City Manager position. She knows the organization well and I look forward to working with her as we navigate this unprecedented time." – Hughson Mayor Jeremy Young*

On May 11, 2020, the Hughson City Council is expected to approve the employment contract for Merry Mayhew appointing her to the position of Hughson City Manager, effective June 1, 2020. Ms. Mayhew was the top candidate in the recent City Manager recruitment for Stanislaus County's smallest city that drew 20 professionals from across the State of California and abroad. The recruitment was initiated when current Hughson City Manager Raul L. Mendez announced his departure from city service, after seven years, to assume an Assistant Executive Officer position with the Stanislaus County Chief Executive Office in mid-June.



Ms. Mayhew joined the City of Hughson organization on April 16, 2019. Prior to her current position, Ms. Mayhew had a distinguished career with Stanislaus County serving County residents for over 30 years. She was the Assistant Director of the Departments of Environmental Resources and Parks and Recreation with oversight of parks and recreation, solid waste management, milk and dairy, and information technology. Previously, Ms. Mayhew served as the Business Manager with responsibilities in the areas of administration, human resources, budget, accounting, contracts, and information technology. During her County tenure, she also had stints with other departments—Health Services Agency, Department of Agriculture and Treasurer-Tax Collector. She holds a Master of Business Administration and a Bachelor of Arts in Organizational Management from Ashford University.

While in Hughson, Ms. Mayhew has been an integral part of the organization's senior leadership team with main responsibility in the administrative operations of the Finance and Administrative Services Department. She has assisted the City Manager in the day-to-day operations and the

preparation and oversight of the City's budget and financial audit. Further, and as directed by the Hughson City Council, she has prepared financial reports and identified opportunities for improvements, implementing changes to procedures to enhance services. Lastly, Ms. Mayhew also oversees the City's human resources, information technology and risk management programs.

"I am honored to have been selected to serve as City Manager. This is a wonderful opportunity and I look forward to serving the community together with the talented team of City employees."  
– Merry Mayhew, Incoming Hughson City Manager.

The Hughson City Council meets the 2nd and 4th Monday of the month at 7:00pm. In light of the COVID-19 pandemic, these meetings are held via video conference until further notice. For more information, please visit the City of Hughson website at [www.hughson.org](http://www.hughson.org) or call 209.883.4054.

###