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The City of Harvard is pleased to announce the City's search for a new Community Development Director been completed and will present the Mayor's appointment of Donovan Day to the Harvard City Council for formal confirmation at the next City Council meeting to be held Tuesday April 25th, 2023 at 7PM.

Mr. Day has served as the Community & Economic Development Director for a few communities; Woodstock, Illinois and most recently Fox Lake, Illinois. Mr. Day earned an Associates in Applied Science, Construction Applications and Codes Certification from McHenry County College and a Bachelor of Science Business Administration from Columbia College Missouri. He also has experience as a Code Enforcement Officer and Residential Building Inspector Certification.

The City embarked on a regional recruitment and selection process to find a successor to the previous Community Development Director, Mr. Steve Santeler, who retired in July 2022. Candidates were interviewed by a selection committee, the Mayor and City Administrator, and the Community Development Committee. Mr. Day was selected from a list of candidates that included both internal and external candidates.

"We look forward to working with Donovan Day. He brings to Harvard a wealth of experience and enthusiasm to help Harvard to continue to grow," said City Administrator Lou Leone.

In addition to overseeing the Building Department, Donovan will have the opportunity to strengthen and streamline operations for this Department. Mr. Day will be tasked with building connections across Harvard's diverse population, beautification projects and part of his new duties will include Economic Development, which will be currently shared with the City Administrator.

