



## **Leeson Credentialed by ICMA Organization** *Joins Group of Local Government Management Professionals*

**STEAMBOAT SPRINGS, COLORADO-May 3, 2023**-Deputy City Manager Tom Leeson recently received the Credentialed Manager designation from the International City/County Management Association (ICMA). Leeson is one of over 1,300 local government management professionals currently credentialed through the ICMA Voluntary Credentialing Program.

“These voluntary efforts show Tom’s commitment to the community and ensuring the leadership team is taking advantage of every opportunity that benefits our city,” said City Manager Gary Suiter. “Over his three years as Deputy City Manager, he has taken on additional responsibilities and worked to position the city for the future.”

To receive the prestigious ICMA credential, a member must have significant experience as a senior management executive in local government; have earned a degree, preferably in public administration or a related field; and demonstrated a commitment to high standards of integrity and to lifelong learning and professional development.

Leeson qualified for the designation through 15 years of professional local government executive experience. Prior to his appointment in 2020 as Deputy City Manager of the City of Steamboat Springs, he served as Director of Planning & Community Development for the City of Fort Collins.

ICMA’s mission is to advance professional local government through leadership, management, innovation, and ethics and by increasing the proficiency of appointed chief administrative officers, assistant administrators, and other employees who serve local governments and regional entities around the world.

ICMA identifies leading practices to address the needs of local governments and professionals serving communities globally to foster and build better communities. The organization’s 13,000 members in 27 countries also include educators, students, and other local government employees.

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