

## **ANNOUNCEMENT**

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### **The City of Phoenix Appoints Jay DeWitt as Assistant Aviation Director – Chief Development Officer**

PHOENIX, AZ – The City of Phoenix Aviation Department has named Jay DeWitt as Assistant Aviation Director – Chief Development Officer. The Aviation Department owns and operates Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport, Phoenix Deer Valley Airport and Phoenix Goodyear Airport. In this position, Mr. DeWitt will oversee the Planning and Environmental, Design and Construction Services, and Financial Management divisions. His promotion is effective immediately, although his organizational responsibilities will not be effective until September 5.



Jay DeWitt, C.M.

“Jay has led some of the highest profile construction projects in the city of Phoenix and most recently, was essential in helping to lead Sky Harbor through the COVID-19 pandemic, the most difficult financial period in the history of aviation,” said Director of Aviation Services, Chad Makovsky. “After a national search, I am confident that he is the Chief Development Officer we need for the continued growth and success of the Phoenix Airport System.”

Mr. DeWitt is a Phoenix native, whose career has spanned Municipal Court, Fire, Development Services, Community and Economic Development and for the past 15 years, the Aviation Department. He has extensive experience in the areas of accounting, infrastructure finance, project management, and Airport finance. Mr. DeWitt led the programming, financing, as well as the design and construction of the 1,000-room Sheraton Phoenix Downtown Hotel, and the development of the \$1.6 Billion PHX Sky Train project. He has held senior positions at Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport in Planning, Design and Construction, Business and Properties, and since August 2021 has been the Acting Assistant Aviation Director. DeWitt has Bachelor of Science and MBA degrees from Arizona State University and is a Certified Member of the American Association of Airport Executives (C.M.)

Mr. DeWitt earned both his bachelor’s and master’s degrees in Business Administration from Arizona State University.

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