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## **Kathy Flachmeier Appointed to La Palma City Council**

*LA PALMA, Calif.* – Kathy Flachmeier was appointed to the City Council by unanimous vote on January 3, 2018. She will be sworn in at the January 16, 2018, Regular City Council Meeting.

After the resignation of Steve Hwangbo, the Council voted to appoint a member to fill his unfulfilled term through December 4, 2018. Per the Council's direction, the City Clerk's Office coordinated an open recruitment from December 5 to December 20, 2017. Four applicants—Emanuel Aparicio, Kathy Flachmeier, Martha Lomeli, and Dr. Garrett Wada—were interviewed on January 3, 2018, at a Special Meeting that was open to the public.



Ms. Flachmeier has lived in La Palma since 1987. She has both a Bachelor of Arts and a Master of Public Administration from California State University, Long Beach. Ms. Flachmeier worked in the private sector construction industry for 18 years before going to work for California State University in 2005, where she worked as a Project Manager, Assistant Construction Manager and Project Engineer, and as an instructor of Construction Management at California State University Dominguez Hills. Ms. Flachmeier retired in 2017.

In her application letter, Ms. Flachmeier stated, "As a new retiree, I finally have the time and opportunity to give back to my community and can think of no better way to do this than to join the City Council. I have enjoyed living in La Palma for the past 30 years and would like to see the City maintain its high rating as a desirable place to live. I believe that I can bring a fresh, unbiased perspective to the City Council. My only desire is to see the City maintain its financial integrity and continue to be the great City it is."

The public is invited to attend a short reception after Ms. Flachmeier's swearing in on January 16 before the business portion of the meeting proceeds.

### ***About the City of La Palma***

Ranked by Money Magazine in 2015, 2013, 2011, and 2007 as one of America's Best Places to Live, the City of La Palma is a 1.9 square mile general law city in northwest Orange County, consisting of 15,568 residents and approximately 300 commercial and industrial businesses. The City was incorporated in 1955 under the name of Dairyland and has 55 full-time and 35 part-time employees.

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