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Portage City Council Approves Contract with Patrick McGinnis

At its regular meeting on May 24, 2022, the Portage City Council approved a three-year contract with Patrick McGinnis to serve as the Portage City Manager, with an option to extend the contract for up to five years. The contract identifies a salary of \$200,000, plus health insurance and retirement benefits.

Mr. McGinnis comes to Portage from Grand Haven, Michigan, where he served for 19 years as City Manager. The City of Grand Haven has nearly 11,000 year-round residents and approximately 150 city employees. Mr. McGinnis was the City Manager in West Branch, Michigan for 13 years before serving in Grand Haven. He has both his master's and bachelor's degrees in public administration from Michigan State University.

Mr. McGinnis brings vast knowledge and experience in managing and directing the operations of a municipality, including finance and personnel matters, responding to questions or concerns from residents, and working with developers, stakeholders, and the community on economic development initiatives, among other subjects. "I am excited about the unanimous vote to hire Patrick McGinnis as Portage's next City Manager," said Mayor Patricia M. Randall. "Mr. McGinnis brings extensive experience, tremendous energy, and new ideas to take Portage to the next level. He will be a great addition to our team."

"I look forward to exceeding the high expectations set by the Mayor and City Council," said Patrick McGinnis. "The Portage tradition of excellence in local government is of a high standard. In the coming years, we'll raise it higher." Mr. McGinnis will begin his new role as Portage City Manager on Tuesday, July 12, 2022.

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