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To: Allentown City Council
From: Matt Tuerk, Mayor 
Date: January 30, 2023
Subject: Nomination of Interim Deputy Finance Director Bina Patel for Finance Director

It is with great enthusiasm that I am nominating Bina Patel to become the City's Finance Director.

Bina's career with the city began in 2007 as a Tax Examiner in the Revenue and Audit department. After nine years in that role, she was promoted to Financial Analyst. Bina continued to grow within the Finance department becoming the Treasury & Accounting Manager, where she supervised eight staff members. In that position she was responsible for the preparation of the city's Annual Comprehensive Financial Statement, managed the Debt Fund, and worked closely with the City's Financial Advisor. Most notably, over the past year, she served as the Interim Deputy Director of Finance.

As Interim Deputy Director of Finance, Bina supervised the operations of all Finance departments including Revenue & Audit, Treasury, and Risk Management. She worked closely with the Finance Director in preparing the 2023 budget.

Bina is a talented finance professional and has also demonstrated significant ability in leadership. She has led her bureau through a major effort to improve its function and will bring those skills to the role of department head and cabinet member. I'm eager for her to join my team as we work to empower our employees to better serve fully engaged stakeholders as we write the story of the future of Allentown.

Her salary will be \$111,000. I am honored to forward her name to you for confirmation. Please contact me if you have any questions regarding Bina or her nomination.