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To: The Honorable Cynthia Mota, City Council President

And Members of City Council

From: Matt Tuerk, Mayor

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Subject: Nomination of Jennifer Gomez for the Director of Planning

Jennifer Gomez is the candidate coming before you on November 16, 2022 for approval to assume the position of Director of Planning in the Department of Community and Economic Development.

Jennifer was born and raised on 8th Street in Allentown and is a William Allen High School graduate. Her family still resides here in our city. She has over 18 years of municipal and county planning experience and has an advanced degree from the University of Pittsburgh.

Jennifer speaks fluent Spanish and will be an invaluable asset as we engage our community in our Zoning re-write. She will also work with our team to fill several key positions within the department that are vacant.

I strongly recommend Jennifer Gomez as Planning Director.