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Upland Assistant City Manager to Lead Statewide Finance Organization

Stephen Parker elected President of the California Society of Municipal Finance Officers

Upland, CA — November 6, 2025 — The City of Upland is proud to announce that Assistant City Manager Stephen M. Parker, CPA, has been elected President of the California Society of Municipal Finance Officers (CSMFO) for the 2026 term.

The California Society of Municipal Finance Officers is a statewide organization dedicated to promoting excellence in government financial management through education, networking, and leadership. Parker's election reflects both his professional expertise and the respect he has earned among his peers across California. This statewide leadership position is in addition to his role as Assistant City Manager for the City of Upland and underscores his commitment to advancing best practices in municipal finance while continuing to serve the Upland community.

Parker has served as Upland's Assistant City Manager since April 2020, overseeing Finance, Information Technology, Human Resources and Risk Management, and Recreation and Community Services, along with and the Library and Animal Shelter contracts. He previously served as Acting City Manager, guiding all city departments and advancing key operational initiatives.

Before joining Upland, Parker held leadership positions in governmental finance and administration, including Assistant City Manager for the City of Stanton and Finance Director for Yorba Linda Water District. His extensive experience includes more than 15 years of service with CSMFO, where he served on the Board of Directors from 2020 to 2022 and participated on several committees focused on professional development and fiscal sustainability.

Parker earned his Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration with an emphasis in Accounting from Biola University and is a licensed Certified Public Accountant.

"Stephen's leadership and financial expertise have been instrumental in strengthening Upland's operations and fiscal management," said City Manager Michael Blay. "His election as CSMFO President not only honors his professional achievements but also gives the City of Upland a voice in regional and statewide conversations about public finance, best practices, and innovation. It highlights our city's commitment to transparency, collaboration, and responsible stewardship of public funds."



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The City congratulates Stephen Parker on this well-deserved recognition and looks forward to the insight and connections his statewide leadership will bring to Upland.

For more information about the City of Upland, visit www.uplandca.gov

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About the City of Upland, California:

The City of Upland, located in San Bernardino County, is known for its rich history, picturesque landscapes, and community-oriented atmosphere. Established in 1906, Upland boasts a population of approximately 77,000 residents and covers an area of 15.6 square miles. The city is situated at the base of the San Gabriel Mountains, providing scenic beauty and a range of outdoor recreational activities.

Upland is a community with a rich history and a promising future. Known for its beautiful historic architecture and vibrant community spirit, Upland is a great place to live, work, and play.

City of Upland Mission Statement:

The City of Upland is committed to delivering superior services that meet community needs with transparency and integrity.

City of Upland Vision Statement:

Upland is a safe community with historic character where residents enjoy a high quality of life.

For more information about the City of Upland, please visit our website at www.uplandca.gov or contact us at (909) 931-4100. Office hours are Monday through Thursday, 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

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