



City of Denison
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The City of Denison Hires Ronnie Bates as New Director of Public Works

Denison (City of Denison), Texas – The City of Denison has announced the hiring of Ronnie Bates as the Director of Public Works. Ronnie will oversee Streets, Fleet Services, Sanitation, and Waste Services.

“Ronnie is an experienced Public Works professional and a proven leader in his field. I look forward to working with him as our community experiences unprecedented growth and opportunity,” said Interim City Manager Bobby Atteberry.

Ronnie brings 34 + years of experience, in both public and private sectors. His history includes - Project Manager with Halff Associates, Operations Supervisor for the City of Lewisville, Public Works Manager for the City of Grand Prairie, Special Projects Manager for HNTB Engineering, Public Works Streets/Drainage in the City of Allen, Assistant Public Works Director for the Town of Flower Mound, and now currently the Director of Public Works for the City of Denison.

“In the past few weeks, I’ve been getting to know Team Denison. This Steve Jobs quote keeps coming to mind, ‘Great things in business are never done by one person: they’re done by a team of good people’. I am very honored and excited to be joining Team Denison,” said Bates.

Ronnie is the founding father of Public Works Emergency Response Team with the North Central Texas Council of Governments, which is now made up of over 82 jurisdictions via Mutual Aid agreements since its founding in June of 2012. It is now the module that Texas is using to develop additional working groups throughout the State for Emergency Response. Ronnie is founding father of the Texas Public Work Emergency Response Council for the State of Texas through the Texas Chapter of American Public Works Association which has 5 regional response teams made up of more than 1,100 members.

Ronnie holds many certifications from TEEX, Texas A&M, OSHA, Eastfield Collage, International Municipal Signal Association, He is also Certified with Emergency Management Institute in many and various NIMS and ICS Certifications.

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About Denison Founded in 1872, the City of Denison is located 70 miles North of Dallas in Grayson County. The city comprises a population of approximately 25,000. The city offers an exemplary school district, a vibrant historic district, a robust housing market, high quality of life amenities, and an expanding business climate. Denison is moving forward and kicking back. For more information, visit us at www.cityofdenison.com.