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Koester Named Waukeee's New Public Works Director/City Engineer

Waukeee, Iowa — The City of Waukeee is announcing that Rudy Koester will soon be promoted to the position of Public Works Director/City Engineer. Waukeee's long-time Public Works Director John Gibson will retire at the end of September, and Koester will step into this leadership role on October 1. He will be working closely with Gibson on the transition for the next two months.

Koester joined the City of Waukeee in January 2017 as Assistant Public Works Director – Engineering. Prior to that, he served the City of Ames as Transportation Planner from 2010-2014 and as Civil Engineer from 2014-2016. Koester holds a bachelor's degree in Civil Engineering from Iowa State University.

"John Gibson has done a remarkable job in helping guide Waukeee through the last 20 years of growth, and he will be missed." said Waukeee City Administrator Tim Moerman. "With that said, Rudy has proven himself as a strong leader in his current position, and I am confident that he will be successful in his new role. I look forward to Rudy's long-term contribution to the people of Waukeee as the Public Works Director/City Engineer."

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The City of Waukeee is recognized as one of the fastest growing cities in Iowa and is located in Dallas County—one of the fastest growing counties in the U.S. The current population is 20,649 residents. Waukeee offers a family-friendly environment featuring quality parks, schools and trails. The City is also dedicated to economic development and expanding business opportunities, including the creation of the mixed-use development, Kettlestone. For more information, visit Waukeee.org.