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## Town of Vienna Names New Public Works Director

After a nationwide search, the Town of Vienna has selected Brad Baer to serve as its next Public Works Director. Baer has extensive experience both in government and the military, most recently serving as the Facilities Design and Construction Bureau Chief for Arlington County, Virginia. Baer is also a 22-year veteran of the United States Navy.

"Brad's experience successfully leading teams in planning, design, construction, and maintenance for government and military facilities and capital improvement projects is what Vienna needs moving forward," said Town Manager Mercury Payton. "I am confident Brad will lead Vienna's Public Works Department with ease, ensuring a smooth continuum of projects like the Maple and Nutley Signal Improvements and the Maud Robinson Trust Sidewalk project, while managing future initiatives."

Prior to his work in Arlington, Baer served in the United States Navy Civil Engineer Corps, overseeing Navy and Marine Corps installations. He also served as the Director of Public Works during the establishment of the Navy's newest base in Poland, leading a workforce of 225 employees during construction activities of the base's facilities.

Baer was also the Director of Project Management for the Naval Facilities Engineering Command (NAVFAC) in Washington, D.C. In his role with NAVFAC, Baer led teams in a multi-year capital construction portfolio across four research and development campuses. His other senior-level Navy assignments include Base Operating Support Program Analyst for the Chief of Naval Operations Shore Readiness Division, Facilities Engineering and Acquisition Director for Norfolk Naval Shipyard, and Executive Assistant to the Commander for NAVFAC Atlantic.

Baer holds a bachelor's degree from the University of Iowa and a master's degree from the University of Wisconsin-Madison, both in Civil Engineering. He is a registered Professional Engineer in Virginia, a Project Management Professional, and a Certified Energy Manager.

Baer will begin working with the Town of Vienna on Jan. 29, 2024.