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## DAVID YELTON RECEIVES FRED C. CUNNINGHAM AWARD FOR DISTINGUISHED SERVICE

**Beverly Hills, CA** – This evening, Beverly Hills City Building Official and Assistant Director of Community Development, David Yelton, received the prestigious Fred C. Cunningham Award for Distinguished Service, the City's highest recognition for outstanding service to the community.

The award was named after the City's longtime former Executive Director of Public Affairs, Fred C. Cunningham and recognizes an employee who has a true vocation for serving the community and who has demonstrated expertise and commitment tempered with grace and humility. Mr. Yelton is the fourth honoree to receive the award, following Fred C. Cunningham, City Manager George Chavez and Beverly Hills Fire Chief Greg Barton.

"I couldn't think of a more deserving person than David to receive this award," said Mayor Lili Bosse. "He has shown us how his incredible leadership has shaped a department that works around the clock to go above and beyond for this community. He truly has been an example of remarkable kindness, demonstrating incredible humbleness as he never wants to take any credit for changing so many lives with his enormous, loving heart."

Mr. Yelton was selected by the Fred Cunningham Award Committee Members which consisted of: Mayor Lili Bosse; Vice Mayor Julian Gold; City Manager George Chavez; Assistant City Manager Nancy Hunt-Coffey; former Mayor Bob Tanenbaum; former Mayor Donna Garber; President of Rotary JR Dzubak; President of the Municipal League Thomas White and Beverly Hills Chamber of Commerce CEO Todd Johnson.

Mr. Yelton began his career at the City as a Building Inspector in 1998, rising through the ranks to hold highly responsible positions throughout the years. Mr. Yelton currently helps oversee a department that consists of six divisions: Administration, Community Preservation, Development Services, Planning, Rent Stabilization and Filming & Special Events.

"I'd like to thank the City of Beverly Hills for entrusting me in the various positions that I've held over the 25 years and the opportunities that I've had to be able to serve this community," said David Yelton. "With this award, I will cherish it and it'll be a memory that I will never forget."

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