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## **VACAVILLE HIRES KUHN AS CITY MANAGER; REMOVES INTERIM TITLE**

The Vacaville City Council on Tuesday, June 23, removed the “interim” title from Laura Kuhn, hiring her as the City Manager. Her first official day was June 24, 2009.

Kuhn had been serving as Interim City Manager for the previous six months, taking over for the retired David Van Kirk on January 2, 2009.

“She’s done an incredible job during a very difficult time in the last six months,” Mayor Len Augustine said during Tuesday’s council meeting. “She’s faced some very challenging issues.”

Kuhn served as Deputy City Manager in Scotts Valley for nine years before coming to Vacaville in 2005. She graduated from Cal Poly Pomona with a BS in Urban and Regional Planning and received her MPA from Cal State Long Beach.

“I have nothing but great things to say about Laura,” Councilmember Ron Rowlett said during the meeting. “She’s a leader, and she inspires.”

The council vote to hire Kuhn was unanimous.

“I work with her on an almost daily basis, and I know what her character is,” Augustine said. “She really is a top notch person. I think all in all we have got ourselves a real winner here when it comes to leading the City in the future. I talked to the two previous city managers (John Thompson and Van Kirk) about Laura, and both said you had better hire her now, before she escapes.”

Kuhn will be paid \$197,165 annually, with a \$500 monthly auto allowance and 25 paid vacation days annually.

“I’m looking forward to it,” Kuhn said of her selection as City Manager. “We have lots of challenges ahead so, thank you.”

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