

September 17, 2018

Mayor David Holt 200 N. Walker Oklahoma City, OK 73102

Dear Mayor Holt,

After a great deal of contemplation, I am writing to advise you of my retirement from the City of Oklahoma City effective January 2, 2019. With your support, I plan to be mostly out of the office after Thanksgiving, as I have several weeks of accumulated vacation leave I would like to exhaust.

Personally, I have enjoyed my thirty one years of service with the City of Oklahoma City. The City has an outstanding staff that provides excellent services on a daily basis. I am proud to have been part of this dedicated team of public servants. I appreciate the Mayor and Council's support and confidence in me to serve as City Manager for eighteen years. Working together with City staff, we have moved this City forward and improved the quality of life for our residents.

I thank the Mayor and Council, staff, and residents of Oklahoma City and wish you the best as you continue to make this great City an even better place to live, work and play.

Sincerely,

tames D. Couch City Manager

cc: City Council Members