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**NEW HUMAN RESOURCES DIRECTOR
STARTING NOVEMBER 2**

The new director brings more than 20 years of public service experience.

Greta Utecht, Springfield's new Human Resources Director is scheduled to begin on November 2.

Greta has more than 20 years of public service experience and is currently the Human Resources Director for Lane County. She has a BA in Secondary Education from the University of Wisconsin and received her MBA from Marylhurst University. She has lived in Oregon since 1976.

Springfield City Manager Gino Grimaldi said, "Greta was selected from a group of very qualified candidates and I am confident that she will help our Human Resources Department meet the challenges our organization faces, while bringing fresh ideas and energy into our community."

"I'm looking forward to working in an organization where there is so much forward movement and creative energy," said Utecht.

The human resources director oversees a budget of \$1.1 million and six employees.