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## City of Salida Hires Local Resident Christy Doon as Assistant City Administrator

**Salida, Colorado** — The City of Salida is pleased to announce that Christy Doon has been hired to the position of Assistant City Administrator. Ms. Doon has worked for the past ten years with the Colorado Department of Local Affairs as the South-Central Regional Manager, providing technical and financial assistance to local governments in a 10-county region including Salida and Chaffee County. Prior to that, Christy was a Community and Economic Development Specialist for six years with the Department of Local Affairs, Division of Local Government, based out of Denver. Ms. Doon is currently also a faculty member of the University of Colorado - Denver and Adams State University, teaching Master's level coursework in Local Government Administration as well as Human Resource Management and Leadership Development. Ms. Doon started her career in local government as a Best and Brightest management fellow with the Town of Poncha Springs. Ms. Doon holds a Masters of Public Policy and Administration from the University of Colorado – Denver, and a Bachelor's of Arts in Political Science from the University of Dallas.

According to Mayor Dan Shore, "We are really excited for Christy to join our leadership team at the City, and she will be a tremendous addition for the City organization and the City Council. With the growth of our community and Christy's deep knowledge of Salida and Chaffee County, the opportunity could not be better for her to take charge of programs in her hometown. Her human resource background will also help with a growing and dynamic organization to ensure that employees are treated with dignity and respect, while also being held to high professional standards."

Ms. Doon will be joining the City's administrative team in September after transitioning from her position with the Department of Local Affairs. A Salida resident for the past ten years, Doon, her husband, and their young daughter have been settled in Salida for some time. "Christy has gained a lot of knowledge and experience with the City of Salida and Chaffee County over the years," said Drew Nelson, City Administrator. "It's a blessing to have such great local talent already here in Salida to fill a complex and demanding position."

For any questions, please contact the City Administrator's Office at 719-539-4555.