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SMITH MAKES HISTORY AS THE CITY OF GREENBELT'S FIRST DIVERSITY, EQUITY, AND INCLUSION OFFICER

GREENBELT, MD — This past week, the City of Greenbelt Interim City Manager, Tim George, welcomed Tyra Smith as the City's first Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) Officer. Ms. Smith has years of experience in DEI strategic planning, training, and project management, having served in different capacities in the biotechnology and higher education industries.

"As the Interim City Manager, I recognized that we needed to bring someone in who would help the City grow in the area of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion said George." "I'm glad that Ms. Smith chose to bring her expertise to Greenbelt, and I look forward to seeing her vision come to fruition and the City continue to grow."

Smith will directly work with the Interim City Manager, Assistant City Manager, and the senior team and will be in charge of developing Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion programming internally and eventually rolling out programming for the residents of Greenbelt.

Smith holds a Master of Education degree from Texas A&M University in College Station, TX, and a Bachelor of Art Psychology from Radford University in Radford, VA. She is originally from Hampton, Virginia, and just relocated to the DC Metropolitan area in 2022. One of Tyra's favorite quotes is, "Without community, there is no liberation." – Audrey Lorde.

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About Greenbelt

The City of Greenbelt is a diverse, welcoming community of 25,000 residents and 600 businesses located just outside Washington, D.C. It is widely known as an affordable public cooperative community founded in the New Deal era. Greenbelt prioritizes being environmentally friendly and has abundant parks, trails, and lakes to enjoy. The City has a national historic landmark district and is home to the nation's first space flight complex, the NASA Goddard Flight Center. For more information on the city, go to www.GreenbeltMD.gov.