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CITY OF CHICO ANNOUNCES GILLIAN HAEN WILL BEGIN AS CITY MANAGER ON AUGUST 10, 2026

CHICO, CA — The City of Chico is pleased to announce that Gillian Haen will officially begin serving as Chico's City Manager on August 10.

The Chico City Council approved an employment agreement with Haen during its July 7, 2026, City Council meeting, contingent upon the successful completion of a background investigation. With that process now complete, the agreement is finalized, and the Council is excited to welcome Haen to the City of Chico.

"We are thrilled to officially welcome Gillian Haen to the City of Chico," said Mayor Kasey Reynolds. "The signing of the contract marks the final step in the hiring process. We look forward to working alongside her as we continue serving our community."

Haen will officially assume her duties on Monday, August 10, 2026.

Located in Butte County, California, Chico is the cultural and economic center of the northern Sacramento Valley and the largest city north of Sacramento. Known as a college town, the home of California State University, Chico and for Bidwell Park, one of the largest urban parks in the United States. For more information, visit www.chicoca.gov.

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