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John A. Young Appointed as New City Attorney

Wildwood, Mo. - - Mayor Jim Bowlin today announced the appointment of John A. Young and the law firm of Hamilton Weber LLC as the new City Attorney. Young, a partner at Hamilton Weber LLC, was chosen following a comprehensive search that began in 2015. "We were fortunate to have many distinguished and qualified attorneys interested in Wildwood," said Mayor Bowlin. "After our Committee on Legal Counsel completed their review, it was clear that John Young was the right choice for Wildwood and our community."

Young has dedicated his legal career to the representation of municipalities and has proven to be a trusted steward of all city-related matters. "I am honored to have been selected by Mayor Bowlin and the members of the City Council to serve the City of Wildwood," said Young. Young's broad range of municipal law experience includes advising cities on planning and zoning, annexations and Sunshine Law compliance and the negotiation of complex private-public partnerships for commercial and residential development. Young graduated cum laude from Loyola University New Orleans School of Law in 2003 and served as the Comment/Casenote Editor for the *Loyola Law Review*.

According to Mayor Bowlin, "Young's depth of experience representing city interests is very strong and I believe his work with private sector real estate and development clients will be beneficial as we look to strengthen our partnerships throughout the community." Bowlin, who was elected earlier this year and took office on April 25th, established several priorities for



Wildwood including improved speed and predictability of the city business and development approval process and implementing an economic development program.

Young replaces Rob Golterman of Lewis Rice who'd been the city attorney since 2006.

ABOUT WILDWOOD – Wildwood is one of the largest cities in St. Louis County and Missouri, in both population and land mass. It is the third largest municipality in Missouri geographically, and is known as a premier destination in St. Louis County for planned land-use development. Wildwood government is principally composed of the Mayor and a 16-member City Council.

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