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### **City of Madison Traffic Engineer David Dryer Retiring After 22 Years**

David Dryer, P.E., City Traffic Engineer and Parking Utility Manager, will be retiring at the end of June after 22 years with the City of Madison.

During his service as City Traffic Engineer, Dryer has worked closely with elected officials and City staff on many projects to make Madison a better place to live including: the City's neighborhood traffic calming program and many traffic safety improvement projects to address traffic and crash problems city-wide.

Under Dryer's leadership, Madison is one of the safest large cities for pedestrians in the United States as determined by the national organization Smart Growth America

Dryer also worked with dedicated staff in Traffic Engineering and City Engineering to undertake the many projects that enabled Madison to receive platinum status from the League of American Bicyclists.

He has been City Traffic Engineer during the same time unprecedented and dense redevelopment has occurred in Madison's central area. Under his leadership, city staff have been able to find innovative solutions to new challenges. After hundreds of public meetings and projects, Madison's transportation system remains well functioning with a uniquely dense and walkable downtown without a freeway running through it.

As the Parking Utility Manager, Dryer worked closely with the Assistant Parking Utility Manager Sabrina Tolley and others to build new City parking garages for Government East downtown and the E. Washington Ave. corridor. Both parking garages are now under construction.

Mayor Soglin appointed David Dryer to be the City Traffic Engineer in 1996. Mayor Soglin said, "David has done an outstanding job. He has lead the City's aggressive traffic calming program and has been a team leader with the City Engineer to create one of the most walkable and livable cities in the country."

Mayor Soglin has appointed Yang Tao, P.E., PhD as the Interim City Traffic Engineer and Parking Utility Manager effective May 6. Mr. Tao has been the City's Assistant City Traffic Engineer since March 2016 and he has worked within the Traffic Engineering Division since 2006.