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Councilwoman Rhiannon M. Foster Designated an Advanced Certified Municipal Official in the Municipal Governance Institute



JEFFERSON CITY – Councilwoman Rhiannon M. Foster of Sedalia has earned the prestigious designation of Advanced Certified Municipal Official from the Missouri Municipal League's Municipal Governance Institute (MGI). She is part of the inaugural class completing the advanced program.

The Municipal Governance Institute was created under the direction of the Missouri Municipal League's board of directors, to provide a training program focused on the important areas municipal officials and professional staff need for success. The Advanced Municipal Governance Institute (AMGI) program builds on the foundation laid out in the primary MGI program. In addition to the 16 credit hours needed for certifications in the MGI program, AMGI participants complete an additional set of 14 core hours, as well as three capstone components. The capstone components focus on Community Service, Advocacy and Leadership.

Through her attendance at statewide and regional AMGI sanctioned educational events, Councilwoman Rhiannon M. Foster, has received training in subjects such as fraud prevention, ethics in the political arena, community engagement, comprehensive planning and zoning, effective staff/council relations and much more.

"All AMGI graduates have voluntarily taken the time to dig deeper into the topics local government officials face as they work to best serve their city," said Richard Sheets, executive director of the Missouri Municipal League. "Earning the Advanced Certified Municipal Officials designation is a significant achievement for these dedicated municipal officials."

The Missouri Municipal League was organized in 1934 and now serves nearly 650 cities as the recognized voice for municipalities in Missouri. This voluntary membership program brings officials of cities and towns together in fellowship of public service that strengthens and guides local government in a progressive, responsible fashion. The primary purpose of the League is to promote understanding of municipal government and administration in Missouri and thereby advance the welfare of the people of this state.

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