



Background and Contact Information

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Title of Most Recent Full-Time Position in Local Government: **Interim City Manager & just prior: General Manager of Port District**

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Number of Years in Local Government: **38**

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Your “Encore” Experiences

Please describe below your various activities and experiences which may be of interest to local government managers as they consider their next life phase (for example, consulting, interim management, teaching, pro bono or volunteer work, writing, work in the non-profit sector, creative or artistic pursuits).

During my retirement years, my interests and activities have included: ICMA range rider, choral singing in church and community chorus, piano and organ playing, attendance at variety of concerts, mostly classical & jazz, church board leadership, church choir president, interim city management (including a newly incorporated city (Goleta), preparation of media slide shows and coordination of family farm operations in Kansas.

Your Coaching Interests

Do you have any specific coaching interests? (for example, helping managers find interim work or teach)

- Personal coaching of current managers as I’m doing as a range rider; generally it is offering encouragement and options to current managers in stressful situations (generally). It is also extending positive affirmation to managers who are generally doing great jobs. This counseling also includes helping people find interim or full-time work in local government.
- In the post-career counseling role, the same tools would be urging people to search out their interests and work toward them before and after city management transition. I’ve urged current managers to think about activities they always wanted to do but did not have the time or money to pursue while focused on city management.