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Who am I?

- Why am I here?
- What can I accomplish?
- What will you glean from listening to me?



Career Development – Time for a Change?

A tale of two tales

My childhood was spent walking or riding my bike uptown in the small but quaint town of Minden, Iowa. Enjoying the time with the business owners and seeing firsthand how they were respected, treated others and worked to have services for our small town. Growing up in Iowa provided me the character qualities that begin and end with integrity and trust. Those two qualities have never faltered either in my military or the business world careers.

The city is ready for a strong leader and manager. A leader that can work with the Mayor and City Council, the staff and keep the Durock people first and foremost on center stage. It is more than just one person in a position, it is the town moving forward and not falling prey to disappearing towns across Iowa rather continue to build on the success of the past and create an even brighter future. That is why I am throwing my many hats in the ring to become the one you select as the new Durock, Iowa City Administrator.

I was excited to see your opening for the **City Administrator** position. My background and abilities will be an excellent match for this position. Please allow me to highlight my skills and competencies as they relate to your job requirements.....

I firmly believe that I can make a positive contribution and I have enclosed my resume to provide more information on my skills and experience. I would welcome the opportunity to meet with you for an in-depth discussion and I will make myself available at your first convenience.

Thank you for your review and consideration. I look forward to hearing from you soon.

❑ Skill Experience

Budgeting/Finance

Strategic Planning

HR

Community Engagement

Economic Development

Community Development

Infrastructure

Project Management

❑ Leadership Traits

Flexible Styles

Enthusiasm

Communication

Strategic Thinking

Sense of Humor

Visionary

In your current position

- Learn facilitation skills
- Constantly seek out assignments that will stretch you
- Get an understanding of what motivates others
 - Project Manage
 - Engage the public

Answer one question at a time, 3 min per question to discuss,
prepare to share responses to #3 and #4:

1. What is your journey to date?
2. What inspired you to pursue this career?
3. What are your challenges in this pursuit?
4. What questions would you like to ask panelists or your colleagues here today?

An aerial photograph of Baltimore, Maryland, showing the harbor, city skyline, and waterfront. The harbor is filled with boats and ships, and the city buildings are visible in the background. The sky is blue with some clouds.

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