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City of Port Orange Partners with ICMA to Host Military Officer

Port Orange, FL – The City of Port Orange has partnered once again with the International City/County Management Association (ICMA) to host another transitioning military officer through the ICMA City-County Management Senior Fellowship Program (CMSFP). This program provides qualified military members with a one-week indoctrination into municipal government to prepare individuals to manage military installations.

From August 5-9, the city will welcome D. Michael Whitecotton, Director of Emergency Services Operations Plans and Security, to provide him with a better understanding of the various facets of local government, as he explores innovative ideas for increasing efficiency and partnerships.

While in Port Orange, Mr. Whitecotton will experience city department tours, participate in discussions with elected officials, attend community forums and sessions on community engagement. Additionally, he will collaborate with other senior professionals to exchange ideas and to discuss shared challenges, successes and opportunities.

“We are excited to once again be part of this program with ICMA and to support Mr. Whitecotton, as he prepares to transition to manage military installations,” said City Manager, Jake Johansson. *“Many military installations operate as small towns or cities with many of the same challenges and opportunities in municipal government, so this will be a great opportunity for Mr. Whitecotton to learn about our city and apply practical principals to his next military installation.”*

About D. Michael Whitecotton

Mr. Whitecotton is the Director, Plans, Training, Mobilization, and Security (DPTMS), Garrison Fort Leavenworth, Installation Directorate-Training. He is responsible for the daily operations of the installation, the installation Anti-Terrorism program, installation Emergency Management program, installation security program, training resources, airfield operations and Multimedia Visual Information Support Center (MVISC) activities in support of Fort Leavenworth.

About ICMA

ICMA is a premier local government leadership and management organization. Its mission is to create excellence in local governance by advocating and developing the professional management of local government worldwide.

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