

PRESS RELEASE

**TOWN MANAGER SUBMITS
LETTER OF RESIGNATION**

May 2, 2006

Chuck Sweet, one of the longest-serving municipal managers in Arizona, has submitted his letter of resignation as Oro Valley Town Manager.

In a letter to the Mayor and Town Council, Sweet noted that he was “proud to have served the community for the past thirteen plus years.” He went on to say that he felt it was time for a personal change of direction in his life.

His letter also spelled out significant progress that the Town has made in a variety of areas. He noted the addition of a new reclaimed water system, the increasing commercial development that will help to diversify the town’s sales tax base, and the number of locally-generated jobs that have come to Oro Valley.

Sweet wrote that “today we can actually say that many Oro Valley citizens are able to live, work, shop & play – all within their community of Oro Valley.”

Sweet was appointed Oro Valley Town Manager in March, 1993. He has seen the Town grow in population from about 8,000 residents to over 40,000. The Town has also increased in size and now spans more than 34 square miles.

“I take great pride in being part of this ‘Community of Excellence’ and consider it an honor to have served the citizens of Oro Valley for the past 13 plus years,” wrote Sweet.

The Town Manager’s employment contract requires him to provide the Town Council with 90 days notice if he chooses to resign. Sweet is providing 120 days notice so that the Council will have adequate time to approve the 2006-07 budget and to undertake the search for a new manager.

Sweet and his wife Wendy plan to continue to live in Oro Valley.

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