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Councilmember Doug Fagundes awarded Certificate of Municipal Leadership

OLYMPIA, WA - City of Fife Councilmember Doug Fagundes recently received a Certificate of Municipal Leadership from the Association of Washington Cities (AWC).

AWC's Certificate of Municipal Leadership program recognizes city and town elected officials for accomplishing training in four core areas:

- Roles, responsibilities and legal requirements
- Public sector resource management
- Community planning and development
- Effective local leadership

"Cities and towns around the state are continually transforming in light of changing laws and the need to meet new challenges and opportunities," said AWC Chief Executive Officer Peter B. King.

"Our Certificate of Municipal Leadership program helps mayors and councilmembers sharpen the tools they need today to understand the legal landscape, plan for the future, manage their resources, and foster strong relationships. The elected officials who earn this certificate demonstrate a commitment to continuous learning and a desire to bring new ideas back to their community."

Councilmember Fagundes completed more than 30 hours of training credits to earn this distinction.

Councilmember Fagundes has served on the Fife City Council for three years. He has served as the City of Fife's chair for the Lodging Tax Advisory Commission for two years. Before joining the council, he was a member of the Fife Planning Commission for 10 years. He also served as a Fife School Board member for nine years and served on the WIAA Advisory Board.

AWC serves its members through advocacy, education and services. Founded in 1933, AWC is a private, nonprofit, nonpartisan corporation that represents Washington's 281 cities and towns before the state legislature, the state executive branch, and with regulatory agencies. AWC also provides training, data and publications, and programs such as the AWC Employee Benefit Trust, AWC Risk Management Service Agency, AWC Workers' Comp Retro, AWC Drug and Alcohol Consortium, and AWC GIS Consortium.

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