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As Interim Director of the Environmental Services Department, **Mike Slevin** manages and operates three utilities for the City of Tacoma. Wastewater, Surface Water, and Solid Waste utilities employ over 500 personnel with a biennial operating and capital budget in excess of \$380 million and total fund assets of \$700 million. He has participated in and led several major capital projects during his 18 years as a City of Tacoma employee including: Foss Waterway superfund cleanup, Tacoma Landfill superfund cleanup, The Greater Tacoma Convention and Trade Center construction, Central Wastewater treatment plant upgrades, Center for Urban Waters construction, and Pacific Plaza redevelopment.

Additionally, Mr. Slevin has managed several major sustainable programs and initiatives such as Food Waste Collection, Every Other week Garbage Collection, Tagro Biosoilds, Community Gardens, Stormwater Low Impact Development, Compressed Natural Gas Alternative Fuels, and the Open Space program.

Mr. Slevin recently retired from the Washington Army National Guard after 28 years of active and reserve service where he served as an Airborne Sapper qualified Explosive Ordnance Disposal Engineer officer. He has completed three overseas combat tours; Desert Storm, Iraq, and Afghanistan, and was awarded two *Bronze Star Medals* for his actions during combat deployments. His Military experience adds robust communication, leadership, and problem solving skills to his management experience.

It is Mr. Slevin's passion and goal to help redevelop and prepare Tacoma for the next century while protecting and restoring our community's abundant natural resources such as the Puget Sound, by instituting sound financially responsible sustainable development and infrastructure programs and projects.

Mr. Slevin graduated with a BS *Summa Cum Laude* in Civil Engineering from Washington State University, and a MBA from the University of Washington. He is a Licensed Professional Civil Engineer in Washington State, a member of Tau Beta Pi engineering honor society, a graduate of the University of North Carolina Kenan-Flagler Business School Water and Wastewater Leadership Center. He was recently named as a Public Works Leadership Fellow by the American Public Works Association (APWA), and is an Urban Land Institute Daniel Rose Fellow.