

PRESS STATEMENT

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Stuart Schillinger to Retire After Storied Career in Local Government

BRISBANE, CA – Twenty-one years ago, Stuart
Schillinger stepped into Brisbane City Hall for his first
day as the City's new Finance Director. He quickly
secured Federal dollars for Capital Improvement
Projects and began working on getting the City's budget
towards being more of an activity- or program-based
costing system. Finance was Stuart's forte, but not all
that he was capable of.

After three years as the City's Finance Director, Stuart took on the role as Administrative Services Director, overseeing Human Resources, Information Technology, and Communications, in addition to Finance. During his tenure with the City of Brisbane, the City was confronted with three economic recessions; thanks in large part to Stuart's fiscal planning and conservatism, never once did a layoff need to occur. As much as Stuart cared for the City's financial future, he cared for its employees and their own professional growth. Over the next decade, Stuart would go on to lead several internal employee initiatives: the City's Innovation Committee and its Equity Plus Inclusion Committee (EPIC).



Stuart on his balcony in Brisbane.

During his tenure with the City, Stuart was also at various points the lead staff liaison for a number of advisory bodies: the Open Space and Ecology Committee, as well as the Parks and Recreation Commission. He worked with the Parks and Recreation Commission on what is now the City's Art in Public Places Program, and then with the Public Art Advisory Committee on the Public Art Implementation Guidelines. The City's first public art piece, Michele Gutlove's *Kaleidoscope*, was installed in the new Brisbane Library, another major capital project which Stuart developed the funding package for, and what allowed the project to become a reality.

"Much of the success of the City over the past twenty plus years is attributable to Stuart's contributions. There are no words that adequately describe my deep appreciation and respect. He will be missed," said City Manager Clay Holstine.

Prior to coming to the City of Brisbane, Stuart was Reno's Budget Manager, where he was responsible for developing and implementing a \$250 million budget, and the principal financial staff member for

Reno's Depressed Railway Project where he developed the financial package that resulted in the successful receipt of a \$70.5 million loan from the Federal Government. Just prior to Reno, Stuart worked as a Management Analyst for the City of Encinitas for 6.5 years, where he was the key staff person for the sale of City revenue bonds totaling \$11.7 million for the purchase and construction of Encinitas' new City Civic Center.

Throughout Stuart's career, Stuart's greatest passion was policy; especially policy that allowed City Councilmembers the ability to accurately assess an activity or program's full cost, so that come budget season, they would have a more comprehensive understanding of the City's financial situation and be prepared to make informed decisions that best served the needs of the community.

In March of last year, Stuart was promoted to Assistant City Manager. He delved more deeply into program-based budgeting, which would evolve into priority-based budgeting, affording decision-makers the ability to make financial decisions tied to an organization's goals and values. The Brisbane City Council over a series of workshops and public meetings which Stuart led arrived at five adopted values in 2019, which are: Safety, Community Building, Ecological Sustainability, Fiscally Prudent, and Economic Development. The transition to priority-based budgeting took the stalwart championing that Stuart had provided since nearly Day 1. In August of this year, the City of Brisbane was recognized by ResourceX, a software solutions company helping local governments making data-driven solutions.

It was no wonder Chris Fabian, Co-Founder and CEO of ResourceX, would see in Stuart a certain persona that would complement his organization to near perfection. Making sure a community's resources are allocated as optimally and effectively as possible is what drives both ResourceX and Stuart. Come January 2023, Stuart will be joining ResourceX to empower policymakers to pursue meaningful change that impact their communities and society at large. We congratulate Stuart on this pivotal moment in his career, despite his time with us coming to a close, and wish him all the best in this next, most exciting endeavor.

About the City of Brisbane:

Nestled in the slopes of San Bruno Mountain, Brisbane is a small city of 4,800 residents located immediately south of San Francisco on the Peninsula. The city also has a large industrial area that increases the daytime service population to approximately 12,000. Brisbane enjoys a sunny climate, fine views of the Bay, and a diverse, small-town atmosphere, with easy access to all the amenities of the metropolitan areas. The residents highly value the unique charm and natural beauty of the mountain setting and a close-knit community spirit. Brisbane is facing the challenge of dealing with future growth in a positive way that will enhance and preserve its small-town character. Learn more about the City of Brisbane at: brisbaneca.org.

About ResourceX:

As the leader in 21st Century Budgeting, ResourceX is doing budgeting differently while increasing an organization's ability to tackle massive societal challenges, from climate change and homelessness to equity and sustainability, through program identification and resource reallocation. ResourceX works with organizational leaders to transform their budgets into powerful instruments of communication and decision-making, in its pursuit of community-changing outcomes and optimized resources. ResourceX is a software company which aims to enable local governments, health care industries, and educational institutions achieve financial and organizational results by implementing Priority Based Budgeting. Learn more about ResourceX at: resourcex.net.