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Village of Western Springs Announces New Director of Recreation

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Western Springs, April 1, 2019 - Village Manager Ingrid Velkme is pleased to announce that Aleks Briedis has been selected to be Western Springs' next Director of Recreation. Aleks comes to Western Springs from the Park District of La Grange Park, where he is Executive Director. Aleks is responsible for overseeing the district's parks and recreation facilities and services, since January of 2015.

Aleks earned a bachelor's degree in Leisure Studies at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. He is a Certified Parks and Recreation Professional (CPRP) and a member of the National Recreation and Parks Association, and the Illinois Parks and Recreation Association.

"The Recreation Department has an outstanding reputation and has expanded and improved under the leadership of Tracy Alden, who retires April 15, 2019. I believe Aleks will continue that tradition of excellence and provide the solid experience and positive leadership that will carry the Recreation Department of the Village of Western Springs forward. I look forward to welcoming him to our organization," said Ingrid Velkme, Village Manager.

Aleks will begin as Western Springs' Director of Recreation on April 16, 2019.

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