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City Recognizes Russell, Others with Annual Service Awards

Granbury, Texas – This week the City of Granbury recognized more than two dozen employees for excellence on the job and longevity with the City.

One of the most singularly unique recognitions was the “*Get ‘R’ Done Award*,” which was created by City Manager Chris Coffman three years ago, is second only to the Employee of the Year Award in importance and recognizes a single employee’s efforts in keeping the City running smoothly through their hard work and dedication to the City’s mission.

This year’s Get ‘R’ Done Award went to the City’s Purchasing Manager, Christy Russell, who was so well thought of that she was nominated by TWO different department directors, her own supervisor, Eva Gregory, Finance Director; and Aviation Director Pat Stewart.

“I am extremely honored to be receiving the “*Get ‘R’ Done Award*,” Russell said upon learning of the award. “I am sincerely grateful for the recognition I have received for my work, because I am very sure that every other nominee for this award was as capable as I was (if not more so), of winning this award.”

Russell has been with the City since 2006, when she started out as a park laborer. She transitioned to the Warehouse Department in 2007 as a warehouse tech. In 2012, she was promoted to an inventory control specialist, and in 2016 she became a warehouse supervisor.

“From the very start, Christy was always eager to learn and take on new challenges and responsibilities,” Gregory stated. “Christy successfully transitioned from the role of Warehouse Supervisor, in 2017.

“The exemplary leadership she has shown in becoming the City’s Purchasing Manager has had a great impact in her role by leading the purchasing department and collaborating with

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all city departments to ensure that not only are procurement laws followed, but that the overall purchasing experience is positive for our users.”

Gregory's nomination was followed by one from Stewart who said, “I would like to recognize Christy Russell for the outstanding support she provides to me and our airport. She is a very organized, efficient, dependable and hard-working member of Granbury’s City Team.”

“She is always willing to help even when the issue may not be part of her responsibility. I have had the opportunity to work with many great people over the years, and Christy is certainly one of the best. She simply does a great job and we all certainly benefit from Christy support and knowledge.”

Other City employees recognized for their service longevity included:

Five Years of Service

Phillip Akins
Jarrod Butler
Roberto Batista
Chris Coffman
Jim Cook
Pat Stewart
Eric Swaim

20 Years of Service

Kevin Jones

10 Years of Service

Waylon Clayton
Hugo Gomez

25 Years of Service

Russell Grizzard

15 Years of Service

Jeremy Ballew
Brent Blackmon
Jill Campbell
Angela Durant
Eva Gregory

30 Years of Service

Cora Fritz
Mitch Galvan
Don Kimmell

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