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## Laguna Niguel City Council Selects Ray Gennawey as Mayor And Gene Johns as Mayor Pro Tem

**Laguna Niguel, CA** – At the Tuesday, December 3, 2024, City Council Meeting, the Laguna Niguel City Council selected Ray Gennawey as the City's next Mayor and Gene Johns as the Mayor Pro Tem.



Mayor Ray Gennawey was elected to the City Council in November 2022 for a four-year term. Ray is a lifelong Laguna Niguel resident who is deeply committed to serving the community. His passion for civic engagement began early on as a member of the City's Youth Committee and continued through the dedication of his Eagle Scout project located in the Laguna Niguel Botanical Preserve. Ray is also a proud graduate of Aliso Niguel High School, further solidifying his deep roots in the City. Mayor Gennawey expressed his gratitude by saying, "It is an incredible honor to

be selected as Mayor of my hometown, and I am deeply grateful to my City Council colleagues for their trust and support. Laguna Niguel is a vibrant, thriving community, and I am fully committed to working collaboratively with my fellow Council members, our dedicated City Manager, and hardworking City staff to preserve and enhance our residents' exceptional quality of life. Together, we will focus on initiatives that prioritize public safety, fiscal responsibility, and community engagement. I am excited about the opportunities ahead and look forward to the many accomplishments we will achieve together in the coming year.

Mayor Pro Tem Johns was first appointed to the City Council in June 2023 and was re-appointed in November 2024 to serve a four-year term. "I am truly honored to serve as Mayor Pro Tem. I am grateful to my City Council colleagues for their trust and support, and I look forward to working together to continue making impactful decisions that enhance the quality of life for all of our residents," said Mayor Pro Tem Johns.

In even-number years (2024), the Mayor and Mayor Pro Tem are selected during the month of December with the aim of aligning the City Council leadership positions with the City's greater goals and priorities for the upcoming year. Mayor Gennawey and Mayor Pro Tem Johns will serve in their respective roles through November 2025. To learn more about the Laguna Niguel City Council, please visit: [www.cityoflagunaniquel.org/citycouncil](http://www.cityoflagunaniquel.org/citycouncil).

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