

Jim Russell appointed as Division of Facilities Construction and Management Director

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SALT LAKE CITY (March 27, 2017) – Jim Russell has been named the new director of the Division of Facilities Construction and Management (DFCM), a division of the Utah Department of Administrative Services (DAS).

“Jim’s demonstrated leadership and depth of understanding of the complex issues facing DFCM makes him exactly the right person at the right time to lead this division forward,” said Tani Pack Downing, Executive Director of the Department of Administrative Services.

Prior to his appointment, Russell served as the Assistant Director of DFCM responsible for Capitol Development and Improvement. In this capacity, he oversaw many large-scale projects including the new Utah State Correctional Facility. Under his direction, Jim has saved the state millions of dollars through strategic procurement and effectual oversight. Russell is respected widely through the vendor community and the agencies and institutions DFCM serves. He has over 37 years of experience in commercial and industrial construction.

“This organization has been an important part of my life and I am excited for the opportunity to lead DFCM into the future. We have an incredibly committed and competent team of employees and I am honored to serve with them in this capacity.”

Russell began his duties on Monday, March 27, 2017.