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City hires new Economic Development Business Specialist

Bristol, Tennessee has a new Business Specialist, Tom Anderson. Economic and Community Development Director Shari Brown recently announced the selection of Anderson, a veteran community and economic developer. “Tom’s education and experience made him our top choice. With his efforts we feel that we can take this department to the next level of service. He will be an asset to the city as we look for new ways to work with businesses, add jobs and grow



Bristol for the next generation,” Brown said. Anderson’s duties will include coordinating the city’s economic development activities with NETWORKS Sullivan Partnership, the Chamber of Commerce, the Convention and Visitors Bureau, other government agencies, private enterprise, civic groups and the general public. He will also be working with the Bristol Tennessee Industrial Development Board. Anderson will assist in planning strategies to attract new businesses to Bristol as well as encouraging expansion and

retention of existing businesses to promote a stronger economic base.

Anderson previously worked as the President of Carter County Tomorrow, a community and economic development organization which includes Workforce Development, Tourism Council, Chamber of Commerce and Economic Development Commission. Prior to going to Carter County, Anderson served as East Tennessee State University’s Director of Economic Development for a rural economic development program. He holds a BS degree in Business Administration from the University of Southern Mississippi in Hattiesburg, MS and is pursuing his Masters in Public Management at ETSU.

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