



## CITY OF BAINBRIDGE ISLAND

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### **New City Attorney Appointed**

BAINBRIDGE ISLAND, June 24, 2010 – Interim City Manager Brenda Bauer announced today the appointment of Jack G. Johnson as Bainbridge Island’s new City Attorney. Johnson, who will begin work with the City in early August, will be leaving a position as the Chief of the University of Washington Division of the Washington State Attorney General’s Office.

"I am delighted that Jack has chosen to join the City staff," Bauer said. "His work at the UW has demanded particular expertise in the areas of contract management, personnel, open government, finance and land use. His knowledge in these areas will make him a tremendous asset."

Johnson, a long-time island resident, holds a law degree and a Bachelor of Arts in Journalism from the University of Washington. In his role with the Attorney General’s office, he has served as general counsel to the Board of Regents and University administration, managing 14 attorneys. He previously served as Chief Civil Attorney for the Seattle City Attorney’s Office, advising the Mayor and City Council, supervising 45 attorneys, and providing the City government with legal advice and representation on all aspects of civil municipal law. His experience also includes work with the King County Prosecuting Attorney’s office, where his emphasis was contract law.

"Bainbridge Island is a wonderful community with very talented City leaders. I am eager to help the City successfully take advantage of its many opportunities and navigate the challenges it faces," Johnson said. Some delay in Johnson’s start date with the City is the result of a long planned trip to do volunteer work in Zimbabwe with his wife, Pamela.

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