City of Stuart

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M E M O R A N D U M

To: David Dyess, City Manager; Jim Chrulski, Community Services Director

From: Ben Hogarth, Community Services, Community Affairs Liaison

Date: December 31, 2020

Re: January 2021 'Employee of the Month' recommendation - Mr. Ben Hogarth

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Mr. Dyess,

Mr. Hogarth was originally hired as the Public Information Officer in 2016 and has filled many important roles in his 4 years serving the City of Stuart. Due to his unique skill sets and adaptability, Ben has served in multiple roles for the Community Services Department. Ben's original job duties began with creating the City's communications plan, legislative affairs, and overseeing the special events permitting process. His responsibilities have grown to include being the City's River Advocate. Ben also proudly serves on the Environmental Sustainability Committee for the City of Stuart.

Ben is a natural when it comes to governmental and legislative processes. His writing ability is excellent, especially when it comes to policy and procedure. In addition, Ben's ability to grasp scientific information has proven to be very valuable to the City of Stuart as the Commission prioritized the environment, and the St. Lucie River a few years ago.

Ben works well with other City departments and he has assisted with several important special projects over the years. In 2020, Ben assisted with the submission of a FRDAP grant for Kiwanis park (Phase 2), served as senior editor the City's Sustainability Plan, and was activity engaged as a committee representative on three (3) LOSOM sub-teams.

Due to Mr. Hogarth's dedication and diverse skill sets that benefit the City of Stuart, I am recommending him as 'Employee of the Month' for January 2021.