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The City of Junction City is pleased to announce the promotion of Jill Nelson to Interim Opera House Manager. Ms. Nelson will assume her duties on January 3, 2011 as a contractual employee until March 31, 2011. Jill has worked at the Opera House as Operations Manager since January 2009 and brings with her extensive experience with the C.L. Hoover Opera House operations. Jill is also a life-long Junction City resident and has well established connections with the community.

Carolyn Mayo, former Interim Manager, will be stepping down from the full time position to part-time consultant due to personal time constraints. The original interim contract expires on December 22, 2010.

The City plans to advertise for the position of Opera House Manager in January with the intent to have it filled by March 31, 2011.

City Manager Gerry Vernon reports that “Unfortunately, Ms. Mayo is unable to continue on as full-time interim manager. She has done a fantastic job in addressing the immediate cash flow issues of the Opera House, renegotiating the performance contracts of this season, and creating much positive momentum for the Opera House. Fortunately, the Opera House has a wonderful opportunity to meld Ms. Nelson and Ms. Mayo into a team that continues that momentum into 2011.

The Opera House will stay on budget through judicious use of the savings attained between the existing Interim Director’s salary and the new Interim Director’s salary for the part-time consultant activities. Specifically, both contracts provide the following:

Jill Nelson - \$20.50 per hour plus single health insurance coverage

Carolyn Mayo - \$28.75 per hour

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