

## **Mayor Nutter Announces New Appointments**

*Philadelphia, July 18, 2008* - Mayor Michael A. Nutter today announced the appointments of Allan Frank as Chief Information Officer, Frances Burns as Commissioner of Licenses and Inspections and David Wilson as Deputy Managing Director for Administration.

In announcing the appointment of Allan Frank, Nutter said, "Allan brings a unique combination of demonstrated success in both technology and business leadership and I am excited that he has agreed to put those tremendous skills to work for the City of Philadelphia as our Chief Information Officer."

As Chief Information Officer Frank will oversee the City's Division of Technology, established through an Executive Order signed by Nutter on July 1, 2008. Previously the Mayor's Office of Information Services, the Division of Technology will be housed in the Managing Director's Office to better reflect its role as the chief technology arm for the entire City Government. Frank will report to the Managing Director.

Frank will have responsibility for all City telecommunications and IT functions, projects, and personnel and will approve all City telecommunications and IT contracts. He will guide efforts to establish and maintain City-wide technology standards and policies, to maximize opportunities to use technology to improve customer service and business processes and to increase the City's return on technology investments.

Mayor Nutter also announced that he has appointed Frances T. Burns as the new Commissioner of the Department of Licenses and Inspections.

"I have asked Frances to undertake a top-to-bottom review of the Department and to propose a restructuring that will be consistent with our overall goal of bringing predictability to the planning and permitting processes," said Mayor Nutter. "Frances knows this department, she has a clear vision for its future, and she is highly capable of making the changes that we need."

The Department of Licenses and Inspections is the city department responsible for: inspecting and assessing properties and businesses to ensure compliance with our regulatory codes; issuing licenses, permits and certificates; and dealing with quality of life and nuisance issues in Philadelphia.

The Mayor thanked Acting Commissioner John Elfrey for his leadership of L&I since January 2008 and he thanked the L&I staff for their commitment and dedication. John Elfrey will now be working with Deputy Mayor for Transportation and Utilities, Rina Cutler.

Nutter named David Wilson to the newly created position of Deputy Managing Director for Administration. In this role, Wilson will report to the Managing Director and oversee the operations of the Records Department, Department of Public Property, Office of Fleet

Management, Office of Capital Programs, Performance Management, Human Resources Department and Procurement Department.

“David’s successful experience in operations management, grant and contract administration, program development and financial management in Milwaukee make him a great choice for this new position where increasing efficiency and effectiveness will be job number one,” said Nutter.

Nutter also announced that Rebecca Rhyhart, currently the Deputy Director of Finance for Debt Management, will serve as City Treasurer. He further confirmed the following permanent appointments: Charles Isdell, Director of Aviation; Deborah McCulloch, Director of the Office of Housing and Community Development; Dainette Mintz, Director of the Office of Supportive Housing; and James Muller, Director of the Office of Fleet Management.

Brief biographies follow:

**Allan Frank**

Frank brings extensive experience in setting strategy, implementing and operating core business processes, product development, marketing, IT management and software development to the position. He is currently president of the AKA Group that provides strategic IT consulting services. He was a co-founder of Answerthink, Inc., a business and technology consulting firm, which grew to 1800 employees and \$311 million in revenue. He holds a Bachelor of Science in Accounting, a Master of Science in Computer Science and a Master of Business Administration in Finance. He is also a Certified Public Accountant. Frank’s awards include: Computerworld Premier 100 Recipient, 2001; Top 10 People in Philadelphia Technology, 2001 and Top 10 Innovator of the Year – Information Week, 1995.

**Frances Burns**

Frances joins the Department of Licenses and Inspections from the Manayunk Development Corporation where she was Executive Director. She served in the City of Philadelphia as Deputy Commissioner at the Department of Licenses and Inspections from June 2004 to October 2007, as Assistant Managing Director in the Office of the Managing Director from June 2002 to June 2004, and as Assistant Budget Director in the Office of Budget and Program Evaluation from December 2000 to June 2002. Prior to this she was the Director of Capital Analysis and Operations at the Pennsylvania Intergovernmental Cooperation Authority. She has a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science and a Master of Public Administration, both from Villanova University.

**David Wilson**

David Wilson joins the City of Philadelphia from Milwaukee, Wisconsin where he spent his professional career working for the county government in several capacities. Most recently he served as Executive Vice President of the Private Industry Council of Milwaukee County, a multi-million dollar public/private partnership responsible for the administration of state and federally funded employment, training, education and

economic development programs. Wilson also served as the Director of the Department of Parks and Public Infrastructure, the third largest department in the county, as well as regional manager of Milwaukee County Parks. Wilson received the US Department of Labor's Outstanding Business Services Award. He holds a Bachelor of Arts in Recreation Administration from Bethany College and a Master of Business Administration from Marquette University.