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Mayor and Council Members:

I would like thank you for the trust and confidence you have had in me for the past three months to oversee this great City and the outstanding employees who make this City successful. I feel there have been many positive moves in the past few months that have improved the City. My focus has always been on protecting and standing up for the City's employees and championing their great efforts to support and take care of their community.

The employees of this City are its greatest asset, without a doubt. Without question, the City of Lake City has some of the most dedicated, knowledgeable, and caring employees that you will find anywhere. I respect the City's employees, this community, and the office that I temporarily hold. With that said, recent events on my part have put an undo negative light on this office, community, and you as the Council. However, and most importantly to me, it has brought an undo negative light on the employees of this great City that I respect immensely. I am supposed to be a leader and example to them and I feel I have allowed recent events to draw me away from that goal.

Therefore, I ask the Council to allow me to step down as the City's Interim Manager and assign someone else as soon as possible as it seems the search for a permanent City Manager is still weeks/months away. I would also ask the Council to allow me to go back to my previous position as Executive Director of Utilities. If you so choose not to do that, then I accept that decision as well.

Again, thank you for the opportunity to serve this great City.

Sincerely,

Paul Dyal  
Interim City Manager/  
Executive Director of Utilities