



NEWS RELEASE

For Immediate Release

March 8, 2011

Contact: Shawn Cox
Assistant to the City Manager
(281) 290-1001 office
scox@ci.tomball.tx.us

Tomball Economic Development Corporation appoints Kelly Violette as Executive Director

Tomball, TX—The Tomball Economic Development Corporation announced the appointment of Kelly Violette as the Executive Director effective March 21, 2011.

Before relocating to Texas in 2006, Ms. Violette worked for the City of Riverside, California as an Associate Planner. In July of 2007, she was hired as the Executive Assistant at the Tomball Economic Development Corporation. In March of 2008 she was selected as the City Planner/Community Development Coordinator for the City of Tomball where she managed the implementation and administration of land development and zoning regulations. She has facilitated the development of Tomball's first Comprehensive Plan and has coordinated long-range planning studies for the City, including the Tomball Livable Centers Downtown Plan and the FM 2920 Access Management Study.

Mrs. Violette received a Bachelors Degree in Political Science from the University of California, Riverside, and has over six years of experience working for municipal governments in the areas of urban planning and economic development. She is a certified planner through the American Institute of Certified Planners and a member of the American Planning Association.

As Executive Director, Kelly will promote the economic development interests of the community and continue to work to attract, expand, and preserve business opportunities in Tomball. She will direct and pursue economic development initiatives to achieve the goals and objectives outlined in the Corporation's Strategic Work Plan, including business retention and expansion, and attraction of new business and industry.

For more information, please contact the Assistant to the City Manager Shawn Cox at 281-290-1001 or scox@ci.tomball.tx.us . A photo of Kelly Violette is attached.