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**Spalding DeDecker Welcomes Cassi Meitl, AICP, PMP as Senior Planner**

Rochester Hills, MI (September 17, 2021) – Spalding DeDecker (SD), a leading civil engineering, planning, and surveying firm, hires **Cassi Meitl, AICP, PMP** as Senior Planner.

Mrs. Meitl earned her Master's in Urban and Regional Planning at Michigan State University and her Bachelor of Science in Family and Consumer Sciences with a Minor in Business Administration at Illinois State University. In addition to being an American Institute of Certified Planners (AICP) member, Cassi is also a certified Project Management Professional (PMP). She is an active member of the Historic Boston-Edison Association and captain of her block club in Detroit.

In this role, Cassi will help expand Spalding DeDecker's Urban Planning department, serving as senior planner focused on coordinating and developing communities in the City of Detroit. She will bring more than 7 years of unique experience from working directly with the City of Detroit to Spalding DeDecker's roster. Cassi has experience navigating acquisition, permitting, zoning, infrastructure, other entitlement and community impact challenge with companies and real estate developers in the City. Mrs. Meitl previously served as a Senior Advisor on the Jobs and Economy Team for Mayor Mike Duggan, was a Program Manager in the Public Affairs Department at DTE, and is a Challenge Detroit fellowship program graduate. Cassi's experience will help Spalding DeDecker guide private developers, community development organizations, and nonprofits in navigating a project through the City of Detroit with assistance in: zoning and policy, master planning, site selection and planning due diligence, entitlements and approvals, community engagement, and project management. "Cassi is a great addition to our planning group and adds to our expertise in the City of Detroit," said Steve Benedettini, president of Spalding DeDecker. "She will be a tremendous asset to anyone looking to invest in the City, and we are thrilled that she has joined Spalding DeDecker."

About Spalding DeDecker

Established in 1954 and celebrating its 68th year in business, Spalding DeDecker is an employee-owned consulting engineering, planning, and surveying firm specializing in infrastructure, land development, urban planning, and surveying. Headquartered in Rochester Hills, Michigan, along with several regional offices, Spalding DeDecker offers a diverse set of skills to clients seeking solutions to construct and maintain their infrastructure. The firm offers municipal engineering, construction engineering, transportation engineering, land development, pavement management, roof and building envelope assessments, land surveying services, and urban planning.