City Manager Leadership Award for January is a Banner achievement

City Manager Cecilia Gallardo-Daly presented the City Manager Leadership Award for January to Andrew Banner, the Network Systems Administrator for the IT Department.

“Andrew’s contributions have strengthened departments across the City, and his leadership has made a lasting difference,” Gallardo-Daly said. “He embodies what it means to serve with integrity, professionalism, and heart. I am thrilled to present him with this well-deserved award.”

His dedication, commitment, and passion are consistently acknowledged by his peers and by the leaders of the City of Costa Mesa.

Banner joined the City of Costa Mesa in 2022 and made an immediate and meaningful impact. In his very first assignment with the Police Department, he not only mastered a new system with impressive speed, but also brought forward fresh ideas and a thoughtful perspective that elevated the work of the entire team. He improved processes, strengthened communication, and helped create a more efficient and supportive environment.

His helpful nature and positive attitude have become defining traits. He approaches every challenge with a calm, solutions-oriented mindset, and he consistently goes above and beyond to support his colleagues.

Whether he’s troubleshooting a complex issue, guiding someone through a new process, or simply offering a steady presence during a busy day, he makes people feel supported and valued.

It’s no surprise that so many staff members trust him and request him personally to help with their IT needs.

Banner holds a master’s degree in information technology management from Western Governor’s University and a bachelor’s degree in computer engineering from Cal Poly Pomona.