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### **Three Belleview Public Works Employees Earn CDL Endorsements, Strengthening City Operations**

BELLEVIEW, Fla. – The City of Belleview is proud to announce that three members of its Public Works Department—Fisher Houston, Henry Somarriba, and Ronald Everett—have earned their Commercial Driver’s License (CDL) endorsements. This achievement marks a significant step forward in the City’s commitment to workforce development and service efficiency.

A CDL endorsement is an advanced qualification added to a standard driver’s license. It allows the license holder to operate large or specialized vehicles such as dump trucks, vacuum trucks, bucket trucks, and other heavy equipment commonly used in municipal operations. The endorsement requires rigorous training, testing, and adherence to strict safety standards, all designed to ensure safe and competent operation of commercial vehicles.

Mayor Christine Dobkowski applauded the employees’ dedication and emphasized the broader impact of their accomplishments on the community.

“This is more than just a professional milestone—it’s a demonstration of commitment to excellence,” said Mayor Dobkowski. “When city employees pursue further certifications and expand their skill sets, everyone benefits. Fisher, Henry, and Ronald have taken initiative not only to grow personally and professionally, but also to directly enhance the services we can provide to the residents of Belleview. We are incredibly proud of their hard work and determination.”

Director of Public Works Bob Titterington echoed the Mayor’s sentiments and highlighted how the CDL endorsements align with departmental goals.

“Our Public Works team plays a vital role in keeping the city running smoothly—from road maintenance to emergency response. Having more team members qualified to operate heavy equipment expands our capabilities tremendously,” said Titterington. “Earning a CDL requires weeks of preparation, hands-on training, and testing. It’s not something that comes easily, and it speaks volumes about these employees’ dedication to their craft and to the City of Belleview. Their initiative helps build a more resilient and versatile department.”

With these new endorsements, the City is better equipped to respond to infrastructure needs, storm recovery efforts, and routine maintenance operations without relying as heavily on external contractors. The City of Belleview continues to support employee development programs that offer certifications and technical training, reinforcing a culture of excellence and public service.