

The Deer Park Chamber of Commerce is pleased to announce that Paula Moorhaj (pronounce Moor-hodge) has been selected as the Chamber's new President & CEO. On June 16th, the Chamber's Board of Directors voted to approve Moorhaj for the position after a search committee conducted an extensive search. Moorhaj started at the Chamber on July 6th.

Moorhaj brings to the Deer Park Chamber 25+ years of business leadership in insurance, banking and chamber of commerce. She owned her own small business for over 17 years, giving her the ability to understand the needs, challenges and aspirations of businesses of all types. She was the CEO of a credit union for 10 years where she developed her accounting and financial skills, audit and compliance matters, while working with a Board of Directors. The last four and half years she has been the Executive Director of the Dayton Chamber of Commerce where she overcame financial challenges, grew membership and participation, oversaw many successful events, advocated for businesses, all while setting a strong foundation for the organization through building policies, procedures and strategic plans.

She holds a bachelor's Degree in Business Management from LaSalle University. Associates Degree in Business Development from San Jacinto College. Advanced Chamber Management Certificate from CCCE. Has one year until completion of Community Development Institute. She is also working to complete the Institute of Organization Management, U.S. Chamber of Commerce, IOM.

"I am excited and honored for the opportunity to build upon the great progress the Deer Park Chamber has made and lead it into its next chapter," said Moorhaj. "Throughout my career, I have used my financial expertise and business acumen to lead and create change and make a lasting impact both in business and in the community. I look forward to working alongside the talented staff and Board of Directors to continue to carry out the Chamber's important mission of enhancing the economic vitality of its members and the quality of life in Deer Park. My plan of action is to meet with as many chamber members as possible and learn what their goals and aspirations are and how the chamber can help them to prosper and have longevity in our community of Deer Park."

Moorhaj, just celebrated her 30th year anniversary with husband Tim Moorhaj, even though she say's she only 29. They have two kids Kayla (19) and Kaden (13). Kayla attends college at Texas A&M while Kaden will begin 8th grade this fall. They love spending time together as a family and recently took a trip to Big Bend National Park, where they were amazed by the beauty of the Texas mountains.