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Houston Vice Mayor Pro Tem Elected Texas Municipal League (TML) President-Elect

On October 15, 2020, the Texas Municipal League (TML) and its 1,160 member cities announced that City of Houston Vice Mayor Pro Tem Martha Castex-Tatum was elected TML president-elect.

Castex-Tatum has served on the TML Board of Directors since winning the special election for City of Houston District K Council Member in May of 2018. She will be the first TML President-Elect that has served on the city council of two Texas cities. Castex-Tatum served on the San Marcos City Council in 2000-2003, where she also served as the Deputy Mayor Pro-Tem. "I wholeheartedly believe in serving where I live, and I'm honored to join the leadership team of TML. I look forward to using my experience in a small city and large city this next legislative session as we work alongside state lawmakers to ensure the best public policy for all Texans", said Castex-Tatum.

Castex-Tatum will serve as president-elect for one year and become president during the League's annual conference in Houston on October 6-8, 2021.

Castex-Tatum is the eighth official from the City of Houston to be elected TML president-elect. Most recently, Senator Carol Alvarado led the organization when she was on the Houston City Council in 2006-2007.

TML is a voluntary association established in 1913. Today, more than 16,000 mayors, council members, city managers, city attorneys, and department heads are member officials of TML by virtue of their cities' participation. Guided by its purpose statement—*Empowering Texas cities to serve their cities*—the League provides legislative, legal, and training services to city governments.

The TML Board of Directors elected Castex-Tatum president-elect on October 15 during the virtual 2020 TML Annual Conference and Exhibition. Coppell Mayor Karen Hunt was elected president. The conference attracted more than 1,000 city officials who gathered to explore best practices and solutions for response and recovery during the pandemic.
