

WAYNE FELTON CHOSEN AS PERMANENT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
OF THE RALEIGH HOUSING AUTHORITY

The Raleigh Housing Authority's Board of Commissioners announced Wednesday that Wayne Felton has been chosen as RHA's permanent Executive Director. Felton had been appointed interim Executive Director in December 2014.

"He has served the agency well in this role and the Board looks forward to working with him now in a permanent capacity," said Board Chairman Kyle Dilday, in a statement released to RHA staff.

Dilday noted that the 46-year-old Felton was chosen after a careful and deliberate search process, which lured applicants from North Carolina and across the nation. After interviewing the top candidates, including Felton, the Board was "pleased to determine that Mr. Felton was the best candidate for leading our agency into the future," Dilday said.

Felton has nearly two decades of experience in construction and development management in both the public and private sectors. He has worked for the Raleigh Housing Authority on two different occasions. In 2001, he oversaw the Hope VI project which included the redevelopment of Capitol Park. He returned to RHA in November 2011 as Director of Maintenance for the Agency.

Felton, a native of a small town called Eure, in Gates County, graduated from UNC-Charlotte with a B.S. in Engineering and Technology, after attending Wake Tech. He and his wife live in Raleigh with their two children.

Felton said he is thrilled to have been selected as Executive Director of an agency that has set such a high standard for public housing, and which has been so successful at implementing new models for integrating public and affordable housing to meet the community's needs.

"I sincerely appreciate the confidence Mr. Dilday and the Board of Commissioners have placed in me," said Felton. "RHA is widely considered to be one of the most efficient and well-run public housing agencies in the country and I look forward to guiding the Agency as we continue to successfully serve almost 5,800 families throughout Wake County."