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Gee moves up to mayor, Worth returns as vice mayor in Orinda reorg

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New Mayor Darlene Gee, left, and Vice Mayor Amy Worth sworn in. Photo Sora O'Doherty After being officially elected as mayor of Orinda, Darlene Gee joked about having the most experienced vice mayor in Amy Worth. Both were unanimously elected by the Orinda City Council and took the oath of office with city clerk Sheri Smith at the council's Dec. 3 meeting.

Gee was first elected in 2012 and reelected in 2016. She became vice mayor in 2018. Her current term of office expires at the end of 2020. Worth was first elected in 1998 and has been continuously reelected for six terms of office. Her current term expires at the end of 2022. She has served as mayor four times, more than any other mayor of Orinda. If precedent holds, she will advance to mayor for another term in 2020.

Outgoing mayor Inga Miller was honored with a proclamation from the other members of the city council, by County Supervisor Candice Andersen and a representative of Assemblymember Rebecca Bauer-

Kahan as well as state Sen. Steve Glazer. Andersen praised Miller's tremendous commitment to the citizens of Orinda. Dan de Busschere said, "We started out with a rookie and ended up with a battle-hardened veteran who was on national television explaining to the world that Orinda is a welcoming place."

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