

Local

Kansas City executive to take over economic development role in Prince William

By **Jeremy Borden** March 5, 2012

The former president and CEO of a Kansas City non-profit plans to soon join Prince William County as the county's new economic development director, the county announced Monday.

Board Chairman Corey A. Stewart (R-At Large) cited Kaczmarek's "proven track record" in being offered the position. He will take over for former economic development director Martin Briley, who took a job last year at the Virginia Economic Development Partnership.

Kaczmarek oversaw a \$4 million budget and 30 employees, according to the news release, while helping to bring in around 135 projects with \$2.1 billion in private sector investment. He helped lead a marketing effort that branded Kansas City "America's Creative Crossroads," the news release said.

He previously worked for the Michigan Economic Development Corporation and a similar organization in Oakland County, Mich.

Prince William has allocated \$190,000 for Kaczmarek's salary, said county spokesman Jason Grant.

He plans to start the new position April 2.