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City of Oshkosh seeks new Fire Chief Public input is sought

OSHKOSH, Wis., February 3, 2025 – The city of Oshkosh has begun recruiting candidates for the Fire Chief position. Information about the position is available <u>here</u>. Application materials will be received online via the City of Oshkosh Human Resources employment website, located under the "How do I?" drop-down menu on the city's website, <u>https://www.oshkoshwi.gov</u>. The deadline for application is Sunday, March 2, 2025.

The Police and Fire Commission, a citizen board who is tasked with selecting the new Fire Chief wishes to hear from a variety of stakeholders in order to select an individual that best fits the community's needs. A feedback survey is available through Polco, the city's civic engagement tool, for the public and employees to convey the qualities they seek in a Fire Chief. The survey is available at <u>https://polco.us/sgc32z</u>.

An interview process is tentatively scheduled for late March/Early April, and the Police and Fire Commission plans to hear from three additional panels of interviewers representing diverse and pertinent backgrounds. Those panels will include a Community Panel, a Technical/Peer Panel, and an Employee Panel. Additionally, as part of the selection process, the city will hold a Meet and Greet, where citizens and the general public will be able to meet the selected finalists, ask them questions and provide feedback to the Police and Fire Commission. Final details regarding the date and location of the Meet and Greet will be posted when solidified.

It is the Police and Fire Commission's goal to secure a candidate that will be able to begin their position in the June/July timeframe. If you have additional questions regarding the recruitment, please contact Interim City Manager/Director of Administrative Services Director John Fitzpatrick at (920) 236-5110.

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