



## City Council

### Special Recognition - Introduction of Fire Chief Mark John

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**Title**

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**Recommended Action**

**Committee Recommendation:**

Not referred to a committee.

**City Manager Recommendation:**

Introduce Mark John, the City of Olympia's newly appointed Fire Chief.

**Report**

**Issue:**

Whether to introduce Mark John, the City of Olympia's newly appointed Fire Chief.

**Staff Contact:**

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**Presenter(s):**

Steve Hall, City Manager

**Background and Analysis:**

Mark John officially began his service as the City of Olympia's new Fire Chief on September 30, 2019.

John comes to Olympia with 35 years of experience in the fire service. He served more than 26 years with the City of Anaheim Fire Department, serving as a firefighter/paramedic, fire captain and battalion chief. He then served as Fire Chief in Baker City, Oregon. John most recently served with the Spokane Fire Department as Deputy Fire Chief of Operations.

John now leads the 105-member Olympia Fire Department, which includes four fire stations, two medic units and a battalion unit and covers a 25-square mile service area.

**Attachments:**

None