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WELLAND APPOINTS NEW FIRE CHIEF

Welland, ON - The City of Welland is pleased to announce the appointment of Deputy Fire Chief, Adam Eckhart, as Welland's new Fire Chief. Council approved the appointment at its meeting on Tuesday, Dec. 22, 2020.

Fire Chief Eckhart has been with the Corporation since Aug. 2002, when he joined the municipality as a probationary Firefighter. Adam served as Training Officer and Director of Training before being appointed to Deputy Fire Chief on Oct. 3, 2016.

"I am delighted to have Chief Eckhart lead our city's highly respected Welland Fire and Emergency Services Department," said Mayor Campion. "Adam's extensive leadership, professionalism, and dedication will lead the fire department, keep our community protected and safe, and ensure that Welland Fire and Emergency Services remains a leader in the fire service. Chief Eckhart is and will continue to be an invaluable member of our City Leadership Team."

"Adam stepped in as Acting Fire Chief during a challenging period. I look forward to working with him in his new leadership role and overseeing the construction of our new Central Fire Station and Fire Station #2," said Steve Zorbas, Interim CAO.

The Fire Chief is responsible for fire and emergency operations for the municipality and oversees 54 full-time and 55 volunteer Firefighters.

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