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City Council Appoints Police Chief Jared Hernandez as Acting City Manager

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At its January 20 regular meeting, the Milpitas City Council appointed Police Chief Jared Hernandez as Acting City Manager, effective immediately, to ensure continuity of leadership while the City conducts a recruitment for a permanent City Manager.

Hernandez brings more than 30 years of service to the City of Milpitas, including the past five years as Chief of Police. A Milpitas native and longtime City employee, Hernandez began his career with the City in 1991 as a volunteer in the Police Explorer Program and has served in numerous roles throughout his career with the Milpitas Police Department.

“As a City employee who was also born and raised in Milpitas, it is an honor to be considered for this temporary role, and I look forward to the opportunity to serve our organization and community in this new capacity,” said Hernandez. “My time with the City and my interactions with departments across the organization have given me a deep respect for the dedication, professionalism, and high-quality service we consistently deliver to our community.”

Mayor Carmen Montano expressed confidence in the appointment, citing Hernandez’s deep institutional knowledge and commitment to public service.

“Police Chief Hernandez has dedicated his career to serving Milpitas with integrity, professionalism, and a strong sense of community,” said Mayor Montano. “His leadership experience, collaborative approach, and lifelong connection to our City make him exceptionally well suited to guide the organization during this transition period.”

Throughout his tenure with the Police Department, Hernandez has emphasized quality service delivery, collaboration, community engagement, and the development of strong internal and external relationships. He stated that these same values will guide his service as Acting City Manager as the City continues to advance City Council priorities and serve Milpitas residents. “Our organization’s reputation precedes us because of the people who serve with passion every day,” Hernandez added. “I am eager to support our employees in this role and to maintain continuity as we move forward together.”

Hernandez's roots are in Milpitas; having grown up here and attending Curtner Elementary School, Thomas Russell Middle School and Milpitas High School. He earned a Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice and has continued his professional development in law enforcement

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About the City of Milpitas Located at the southern end of San Francisco Bay, Milpitas is a progressive community that is an integral part of Silicon Valley. A full-service city with water utility, sewer utility, police and fire services, Milpitas is a flourishing community with a very diverse and inclusive resident population of over 80,000. Often referred to as the Crossroads of Silicon Valley, the City is situated between major thoroughfares in the Bay Area and considered a highly desirable location for world-class technology companies seeking to build a central base of operations. With the addition of the new Milpitas Transit Center offering BART, light rail, and bus service and multiple new mixed-use development projects, along with a host of new City Plans and Programs in support of an inspiring and sustainable future, the City is at the forefront of building the next generation economy. For more information, visit: www.milpitas.gov