

Kenosha Police and Fire Commission announces selection of new fire chief

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KENOSHA – The City of Kenosha Police and Fire Commission is pleased to announce the selection of Daniel A. Tilton as the Kenosha Fire Department's next fire chief. Deputy Chief Tilton has been a member of the Kenosha Fire Department since 1996. During this time, he has served as a firefighter, apparatus operator, lieutenant, line and house captain, and acting battalion chief. On December 1, 2021, he was promoted to deputy chief and has served in that capacity since. In addition to his service to the Fire Department, Deputy Chief Tilton served 24 years as a commissioned officer in the US Army Reserves, retiring from the military in April 2020 at the rank of Lieutenant Colonel. He served three tours of duty overseas in Iraq and Afghanistan.

Deputy Chief Tilton's appointment to fire chief will be confirmed by the Police and Fire Commission at the meeting tentatively scheduled for 9 a.m. on March 19, 2024. He will begin his role as Chief on April 2, 2024 following the April 1, 2024 retirement of Fire Chief Christopher G. Bigley.

"I am honored to be selected to serve in this new role," Tilton said. "The Kenosha Fire Department is an outstanding organization and I look forward to further serving the citizens of Kenosha and members of the department as chief."

Chief Bigley stated: "I am confident that Deputy Chief Tilton will continue the tradition of excellent fire and emergency medical service to the community and I believe his experience, leadership and most importantly his high character will serve to guide the department forward."

Kenosha Mayor John Antaramian said, "I am pleased with the Police and Fire Commission's selection of Tilton as the City's next Fire Chief. The commission's time and effort is greatly appreciated."