

Recommendation for Action

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Posting Language

Approve a resolution confirming the Interim City Manager's appointment of Assistant Chief Robin Henderson as Interim Chief of the Austin Police Department effective September 3, 2023.

Lead Department

Management Services

For More Information:

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Additional Backup Information:

Chief of Police Joseph Chacon is retiring as the Chief of Police of the Austin Police Department effective September 2, 2023. Chief Chacon will remain with the City as an advisor to assist with the transition. This action confirms the Interim City Manager's appointment of Assistant Chief of Police Robin Henderson as Interim Chief of Police until a new Chief of Police is confirmed by the City Council and takes office.

Chief Henderson has been with APD for 26 years and was appointed to Assistant Chief of Police in February 2020 and to Assistant Chief of Police, Chief of Staff (COS) in December 2021. As COS, Chief Henderson has been overseeing APD operations, which includes a workforce of approximately 2,500 sworn and civilian personnel. Prior to her appointment to COS, Chief Henderson served in various assignments, including: Executive Lieutenant, Patrol Lieutenant, Cadet Training, Field Training, Internal Affairs, Person and Property Investigations, Street Response, and Patrol.