

September 16, 2019

To: Urbana City Council Members Maryalice Wu, Eric Jakobsson, Shirese Hursey, William Brown, Dennis Roberts, Dean Hazen and Jared Miller

From: Diane Wolfe Marlin

Re: Appointments

I am pleased to submit the following Appointment for your approval:

Effective September 28, 2019:

Deputy Chief of Police - Lieutenant Richard Surles

Rich is an Urbana High School and University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign graduate. Upon graduating with a Sociology degree in August of 1997 he began his employment with the Urbana Police Department. Rich served as a patrol officer for five years during which he was an EVOC instructor for the Mobile Training Unit. In December of 2002, Rich was assigned to the Criminal Investigations Division as a detective where he primarily worked on serial and violent crimes.

In April of 2007, Rich became a sergeant and was assigned to the Patrol Division. While in that capacity, he was responsible for supervising two shifts of patrol officers, managing crime scenes, and the investigation of all crimes.

Rich was promoted to lieutenant in October of 2010. He remained in Patrol and oversaw the operation of that division for over five years where he was responsible for all department training and the supervision of patrol officers and sergeants on all shifts, as well as the Street Crimes Unit officers. During that time, Rich also began serving as the Urbana Commander of METRO SWAT and supervised multi-jurisdictional SWAT operations in Champaign County.

In September of 2015, Rich was reassigned as the Lieutenant of the Criminal Investigations Division and continues to serve in that role today. He currently supervises a detective sergeant, adult and juvenile detectives, street crimes detectives, school resource officer, division administrative assistant, and evidence custodian.

Rich has been married to his wife Kim for nearly twenty years. They have a 16-year old, Zoe.

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Community Development Services Department Director – Lorrie Pearson

Upon graduating as a Master of Urban Planning from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (where she received the Planning Advisory Council Chairman's Award), Lorrie worked in several leadership roles at both the federal and municipal level including the U.S Agency for International Development in Washington, DC and the Cities of Alexandria, Virginia, Evanston, Illinois, and the City of Champaign.

Lorrie has been employed with the City of Urbana since May of 2015 and has served in various iterations as the Planning Manager of the Community Development Services Department, each increasing her workload and responsibilities. In 2017, she became the Planning Manager/Zoning Administrator. In July of this year she was appointed the Deputy Community Development Director/Planning Manager.

During her tenure with the City of Urbana, Lorrie has served as the staff liaison for 4 boards and commissions, has led several community engagement efforts including the highly successful *What's in Your Square?* public input process, prepares and manages the Planning Division's budget, and leads an interdepartmental annexation policy team to achieve City growth goals.