



Fire Department

Aaron Lipski
Acting Chief

John Schwengel
Assistant Chief

David Votsis
Assistant Chief

Joshua Parish
Acting Assistant Chief

November 11, 2020

To the Honorable
The Board of Fire and Police Commissioners
200 East Wells Street, Room 706
Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53202

Dear Commissioners:

I hereby promote and appoint, subject to your approval, and successful completion of a drug screening,
Battalion Chief De'Wayne Smoots

to the position of DEPUTY CHIEF, FIRE. The appointment is being made to fill an existing vacancy, and becomes effective November 29, 2020. In support of my nomination of Battalion Chief Smoots, his current résumé and personnel record are enclosed.

Before advancing this member's name, the member was put through an internal vetting process wherein the member's entire record was reviewed, including disciplines, open and closed investigations, administrative matters, fitness, and history with the Fire and Police Commission. I certify that this member is in good standing with the department and suitable for promotion consistent with my statutory duties pursuant to Wis. Stat. §§ 62.50 (9) and (23).

This appointment is submitted to your Board under the provision of your Rule XI, Section 12 as an exempt position.

Respectfully,



AARON LIPSKI
Acting Chief

AL/jlb
Enclosures
F&P: 7/22/20 (Blackwood)
FPC/Exempt/DC Smoots 112920

Approved by the BOARD OF FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSIONERS

Chair

Date

Executive Director

