



REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

MEETING DATE: March 21, 2022
PREPARED BY: Tim Bush, Fire Chief
AGENDA ITEM: Patrick Farrens Executive Fire Officer

PREVIOUS ACTIONS:

April 1, 2019, Patrick Farrens received council approval to participate in the Executive Fire Officer Program Sponsored by the National Fire Academy, Emmitsburg, MD.

RECOMMENDED COUNCIL ACTION:

Recognize Patrick Farrens for completion of the legacy four-year Executive Fire Officer Program at the National Fire Academy in Emmitsburg, MD.

COMMENTS:

In 2018, Patrick Farrens was selected to participate in the National Fire Academy (NFA) Executive Fire Officer (EFO) Program. This program provides professional development through a unique series of four graduate and upper-division baccalaureate equivalent courses taken over a four-year period. Students are required to attend classes each year and complete Applied Research Projects investigating key issues or identified problems important to the fire service.

The NFA EFO program provides senior fire officers with a broad perspective on various facets of fire and emergency services administration. Students are selected based on two criteria. The first is a service requirement to hold key positions of authority or leadership within their agency. The second is an academic requirement that applicants possess a minimum of a baccalaureate degree from a nationally or regionally accredited institution recognized by the U.S. Department of Education.

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment A: Patrick Farrens photo
Attachment B: Farrens EFO memo