



REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

MEETING DATE: April 4, 2022
PREPARED BY: Human Resources
AGENDA ITEM: Recruitment approval for police officer

PREVIOUS ACTIONS:
None

RECOMMENDED COUNCIL ACTION:

Motion to authorize staff to begin the recruitment process for the police officer position in the police department due to the retirement of Jim Kirkey with an effective date of March 31, 2022.

COMMENTS:

Detective Jim Kirkey served over 28 years with the Maple Grove Police Department was with the Morris Police Department before joining our agency. He served as a general investigator, school resource officer for Osseo High School, Universal Problem Oriented Policing (UPOP) officer, patrol officer, and a well-known officer at the community center. During the 2021 civil unrest in Brooklyn Center, Jim was an instrumental member of the Hennepin County Mobile Field Force, Platoon 5. He was one of six Maple Grove officers selected for this new countywide consortium to protect our police edifices, other governmental infrastructure, and the communities at-large during emerging civil unrest events.

We know Jim for his caring nature that is committed to serving victims and displaying compassion for those around him. Our entire agency thanks Jim for the dedicated years of service to the noblest of professions, to our community, and to each of his partners.

ATTACHMENTS:
None