



REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

MEETING DATE: February 6, 2023
PREPARED BY: Eric T. Werner, Chief of Police
AGENDA ITEM: Oath of office for Police Commander Travis Pobuda

PREVIOUS ACTIONS:

Promotion of Travis Pobuda to police captain for the City of Maple Grove effective February 2, 2021, was approved at the February 1, 2021 City Council meeting.

Captain Travis Pobuda was sworn-in as police captain by Mayor Mark Steffenson on June 7, 2021.

RECOMMENDED COUNCIL ACTION:

Acting Mayor Judy Hanson will administer the oath of office to Police Commander Travis Pobuda.

COMMENTS: Eric T. Werner, Chief of Police

Commander Travis Pobuda has been with the Maple Grove Police Department for over 22 years as a patrol officer, general investigator, Safe Streets Unit officer, and patrol union president. He also served as a patrol sergeant for over six years. Prior to his promotion to commander on January 1, 2023 he served as the Professional Standards Division captain for the past two years. Other key assignments include commander of the Emergency Response Unit, supervisor of the field training program, leader of the Maple Grove mobile field force contingent, operations commander of the Hennepin County mobile field force organization, and he is well-respected amongst his peers and other agencies within the profession.

Travis holds an Associates in Applied Science Degree from Alexandria Technical College and is currently attending Metropolitan State University to complete course work for his bachelor's degree. He attended numerous command level training courses, the Minnesota Chiefs of Police Association Executive Training Institute, and the Tri-City Leadership Academy.

Commander Pobuda is a tremendous asset to the police department command staff team.
