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BURLINGTON –

On March 7, 2022, Chief Mark Anderson provided his retirement intention to the City of Burlington after 27 years of service to the community. Over his dedicated tenure, he has served Burlington as a Dispatcher, Patrol Officer, Detective, Field Training Officer, School Resource Officer, Lieutenant, and Chief of Police. “I will miss the community as I have been fully supported throughout my career by this community, as well as by the Common Council, Police and Fire Commission, and my fellow co-workers. I have been a part of this community since my parents moved here in the mid-1970s and have always known that Burlington is a great place to live, to work, and to visit. It is now time to spend more time with my family and continue to expand on my outdoor recreational activities.”

As Chief Anderson announced his intentions to retire on May 20, 2022, the Police & Fire Commission began the internal search to determine his successor. The Police and Fire Commission is pleased to announce the selection of Lieutenant Brian Zmudzinski as the City of Burlington’s next Police Chief. Lieutenant Zmudzinski was selected from two qualified applicants from within the organization and is set to begin as Chief on May 21, 2022. Lieutenant Zmudzinski has served on the City of Burlington Police Department for 17 years.

Lieutenant Zmudzinski began as a City of Burlington Police Officer in August 2005 and has worked his way up the department ranks. He has served in several assignments including a Field Training Officer, Honor Guard Member, Bike Patrol Officer, Firearms and Unified Tactics Instructor and Field Training Coordinator. He was promoted to Sergeant in September 2010 and further promoted to Lieutenant in October 2015. In addition to obtaining a Bachelor’s Degree in Criminal Justice and a Master’s Degree in Criminal Justice Administration, he recently graduated from the Northwestern University School of Police Staff and Command.

Aside from serving the City of Burlington for the last 17 years in various roles, Lieutenant Zmudzinski served in the United States Marine Corps from January 2001 through January 2005 and participated in Operation Iraqi Freedom in 2004. “I am humbled and honored for the opportunity to serve as the City of Burlington’s next Police Chief. I am proud to work alongside the brave men and women of our department who deserve the most credit and recognition. I want to congratulate and thank Chief Anderson for his leadership and guidance over the years to our department and community.”

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