

Delta Fire Chief Position:

General Purpose:

The position of Fire Chief is a leadership role responsible for overseeing and managing the operations of a fire department. The specific duties and responsibilities of the fire chief may vary depending on the delegation of duties to other officers within the fire department and the structure of the department firefighters.

Supervision Received:

The fire chief works under the guidance and direction of the mayor and city council.

Supervision exercised:

Provides supervision to the volunteer personnel including the Assistant Chief, Captain, Lieutenant, and firefighters.

Essential Functions:

Leadership and Management:

- Provide strategic leadership and direction to the fire department.
- Supervise and manage department officers and firefighters.
- Develop and implement policies and procedures for the efficient and effective operation of the department.

Emergency Response and Risk Management:

- Coordinate and oversee emergency response efforts to fires, accidents, hazardous materials incidents, and other emergencies.
- Ensure that firefighting and rescue operations are conducted safely and effectively.
- Identify and assess potential risks to the community and develop strategies to mitigate those risks.

Training and development:

- Supports the Captain Officer in developing and implementing training programs for department personnel to ensure they are well-prepared for all types of emergencies.
- Stay current on industry best practices and advancements in firefighting and emergency response.

Budgeting and Financial Management:

- Develop and manage the department's budget, allocating resources efficiently.
- Monitor and control expenditures to ensure financial sustainability.

Community Engagement:

- Foster positive relationships with the community and other stakeholders.
- Communicate effectively with the public, addressing concerns and Assisting the Assistant Chief with providing education on fire safety.
- Coordinate fire and safety inspections, local and state-mandated of existing and under construction residential, business, institutional, commercial, and public buildings to determine conformity to local fire prevention codes and ordinances, monitor compliance with hazardous material regulations, determine applications of regulations regarding storage and elimination of hazardous materials.
- Issues burn permits and inspects fireworks stands and vendors.

Equipment and Facility Management:

- Supports the Lieutenant Officer with the maintenance and readiness of firefighting equipment and supports the Assistant Chief with facilities.
- Ensure compliance with safety standards and regulations.

Policy Advocacy and Collaboration with other agencies:

- Advocate for policies and regulations that enhance the safety of the community and the effectiveness of the fire department.
- Collaborate with other emergency services, government agencies, and community organizations to enhance overall emergency response capabilities.

Minimum Qualifications:

Minimum of 15 years of experience in firefighting, with a progression through various ranks with a minimum of 5 years in a supervisor leadership position.

Knowledge of laws, ordinances, codes, and regulations.

Minimal qualifications and certifications:

The following items need to be IFSAC or Pro Board certifications and NWCG.

Firefighter 1, Firefighter 2, Hazmat Awareness, Hazmat Operations, Instructor 1 NWCG Wildland Firefighter 2.

Within 2 years needs to obtain the following certifications:

Hazmat Technician, Driver Operator-Pumper, NWCG Wildland Firefighter 1 and NWCG ICT5. Attend the NWCG course L-280, Followership to Leadership.