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Mayor John Laesch
City of Aurora
44 E. Downer Place
Aurora, IL 60507

Dear Mayor Laesch,

It is my pleasure that I submit my resume for the position of Fire Chief with the City of Aurora.

I have over thirty-four (34) years in the fire service, both in the municipal and fire district setting retiring in January 2025 as the Fire Chief for the Village of Roselle. I currently serve as the Fire Marshal/EMA Coordinator for the Village of Roselle in a civilian position. During my time at Roselle, I have had the opportunity to rebuild the structure and morale of the department. This included adding the position of Battalion Chief, an EMS Coordinator position and developing our personnel to succeed in those and other positions. During my tenure as Chief, I had had the opportunity to promote all but one of my fire officers into their current positions. This was accomplished by careful planning, creating a great relationship between labor/management, robust education opportunities, creating great external relationships such as our participation in the West Suburban Rescue Alliance (WSFRA) and gaining the trust of our Village Board. The WSFRA is an operational consolidation of 8 fire department/districts within DuPage County These efforts have paid off resulting in the Fire Department successfully leading the Village through the COVID-19 pandemic, negotiating a 4-year firefighter collective bargaining agreement for both full-time and part-time employees, an ISO 2 classification, a great working environment and an extremely high satisfaction rate among Village residents. Prior to my tenure at Roselle, I had the opportunity to manage extensive commercial and residential growth while Assistant Chief with the North Aurora Fire Protection District. Since 2000, I have successfully written and managed over \$4,000,000 in grants.

I believe it is also important to serve in organizations that supported my role as Fire Chief and/or the best interests of the Village. I served as the Secretary for the West Suburban Fire Rescue Alliance (WSFRA), served on the Executive Committee for DuComm that is the largest consolidated dispatch center in the State, member of the DuPage County Fire Chiefs Association leading the school safety committee. I currently serve on the DuPage County School Safety Task Force.

My profession education is extensive. Highlights as it relates to the Chief position include Master of Public Safety and Homeland Security Management, incident management training through NIMS 800, Certified Incident Safety Officer, and completion of the Illinois Fire Chief's Chief Fire Officer Program. I have my Chief Fire Officer Designation from the Center for Public Safety Excellence (CPSE). I am also still an IDPH licensed paramedic.

My vast experience, knowledge of the region, and excellent rapport with local agencies combined with my professional education, make me an excellent candidate for the position of Fire Chief.

I would welcome the opportunity to interview for the position and look forward to hearing from you soon. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,



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