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## **City of Bedford Fire Chief Announces Retirement**



**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: Bedford, Texas- (February 1, 2021)** – Bedford Fire Chief, Sean Fay, has announced his retirement from the City of Bedford effective March 12, 2021. Chief Fay has served the City of Bedford since October 2016. Fay's contributions to the City, through his selfless service, has made a significant impact on safety and preparedness of the community.

During his tenure with the City of Bedford, Fay had notable accomplishments, including the Fire Department's designation of Best Practices by the Texas Fire Chief's Association and the City's recent top rating of 1 by the Insurance Services Office (ISO) Public Protection Classification. While serving as Fire Chief, over half of the Department's fleet was replaced, six new firefighter positions were authorized, and a firefighter health and

wellness initiative that includes early cancer detection was implemented. Chief Fay also assisted in the creation of a new, all-employee development program known as the Bedford University and initiated the development and implementation of the Fire Department's first five-year strategic plan.

"It has been my honor to serve as the Fire Chief in Bedford. I have been privileged to serve alongside many outstanding professionals throughout the City; from within the Fire Department all the way to the City Council. Together, we have created a tremendous amount of positive change and achieved numerous strategically important goals for the organization. As I set my sights on life's next adventure, I feel confident the organization is in good shape and in good hands. I am very grateful for my time in Bedford".

Fay has accepted a new position with the Texas A&M Engineering Extension Service (TEEX) as a training manager in the Leadership and Fire Officer Development Program. There he will be responsible for the development of state, national, and international Fire Officer Training programs.

"Chief Fay has made an incredible impact on the City of Bedford. I want to thank him for his service and wish him well in his next journey." said City Manager Jimmy Stathatos.

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