

## OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

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TO: Common Council

FROM: Mayor Jacob A. Woodford

DATE: February 7, 2024

RE: Utilities Director Recommendation

The Utilities Director position was vacated by a retirement on January 3, 2024. I am pleased to recommend an exceptional candidate for the role – one who brings 17 years of professional experience within the Appleton Department of Utilities.

A licensed Certified Wastewater and Municipal Water Works Operator, the candidate holds a BS in Waste Management from the University of Wisconsin – Stevens Point. Since 2010, he has served in the City of Appleton's Utility Department as Deputy Director. The candidate has deep knowledge of the City's treatment facilities and takes the initiative to drive projects to completion. He has been actively involved in developing strategic initiatives to meet regulatory requirements, managing, and reporting annual budgets, and supervising support staff within the Utilities Department.

It is my honor to recommend for your consideration Chris Stempa to serve as the City of Appleton's next Utilities Director. His resume is attached for your reference.

Please be in contact should you have any questions or concerns.