



**19 13th Avenue North
Waite Park, MN 56387**

Thursday, April 6th from 8 AM-6 PM

CITY COUNCIL/CIVIL SERVICE BOARD POLICE CHIEF CANDIDATE INTERVIEWS

1. Police Chief Candidate Interviews

8:00 AM - 8:30 AM: Review of Interview Process

8:30 AM - 12:30 PM: Interviews with Candidates *There will be four different interview panels and all panels will be meeting at Waite Park City Hall

12:30 PM - 1:30 PM: Lunch with Panelists in Lower Level Conference Room

1:45 PM - 3:45 PM: Candidate interviews with City Council in Lower Level Conference Room

4:00 PM - 5:00 PM: Community Police Chief Meet and Greet

5:00 PM - 6:00 PM: City Council will meet to discuss the candidates and the next steps in the selection process in the Lower Level Conference Room

*The City Council and Civil Service Board members will be part of the interview panels. The interview panels will meet in the lower level conference, upper level conference room, and the council chambers. A copy of the police chief candidate finalists and their summaries are included for your review.

Documents:

[POLICE CHIEF CANDIDATE SUMMARIES.PDF](#)



Police Chief Candidate Finalists

George Vinson, Fargo

George is currently a Captain on the Fargo Police Department in the Criminal Investigations Division and a Council Member for the City of Harwood. He has been in law enforcement since 2004 in a variety of positions within the City of Fargo including Captain of the Professional Standards Division, Lieutenant of Professional Accountability, Community Engagement Team Leader, Field Services Lieutenant, School Resources Sergeant, Police Sergeant, Assistant Emergency Prep Coordinator, Detective, Canine Unit, and Police Officer. George has over 12 years of supervisory experience. He has a master's degree in public safety and law enforcement leadership.

Tony Padilla

Tony is currently a Police Chief / Emergency Manager for the City of Glencoe and a Council Member for the City of Gaylord. He has been in law enforcement since 2005 including positions as Chief of Police/ Emergency Manager for Gaylord, Steele County/McLeod County/Arlington Police Department-K9 Handler and Defensive Tactics Instructor. He also served as an Instructor for the Center for Criminal Justice and Law Enforcement. Prior to his time in law enforcement, he served in the United States Army for 20+ years holding every enlisted rank the Army has. He ended his careers as a Division Operations Sergeant Major. Tony has over 15 years of supervisory experience. He has a bachelor's degree and holds a certificate in criminal justice in law enforcement.

Anthony Reznicek

Anthony is currently a Police Sergeant for the City of Waite Park and has over 18 years of police experience. He was a Police Officer in East Grand Forks for 8 years and had opportunities to be acting shift supervisor and field training officer. He has been with the City of Waite Park for the last ten years. During his time in Waite Park, he served 5 years as a School Resource Officer and Investigator. Anthony is currently a Police Sergeant and has been in this position for three years. Prior to his time in law enforcement, he served in the United States Army National Guard for 10 years. He ended his time with the National Guard as a Sergeant with two combat tours. Anthony has over 10 years of supervisory experience. Anthony has a bachelor's degree in criminal justice.

Kurt Schoening

Kurt is currently a Patrol Sergeant for Carver County Sheriff's Department and has been in this position since 2018. In his position as a Patrol Sergeant with Carver County, Kurt has been assigned to working for the cities of Chanhassen, Waconia, and Watertown. He has been in law enforcement since 2011 holding positions including Patrol Corporal and Patrol Deputy within Carver County Sheriff's Department. Before his time with Carver County, Kurt worked for Stark County Sheriff's Department in Dickinson, ND as a Patrol Deputy. He is part of a multi-jurisdictional SWAT team. He has also been a lead instructor for the Sheriff's Department in both use of force and firearms. Kurt has over 8 years of supervisory experience. He has a bachelor's degree in criminal justice.