



CITY OF SHREVEPORT
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Mayor narrows list of 11 candidates to final selection for fire chief

Mayor Adrian Perkins announces Administrative Assistant to the Fire Chief Clarence Reese Jr. will serve as fire chief for the Shreveport Fire Department.

“Chief Reese has a vision and plan for the future of the Shreveport Fire Department,” said Mayor Perkins. “His nearly two decades of service displays his commitment to our citizens on a daily basis. Fostering longstanding relationships in the community will be crucial for recruitment efforts and building a stronger department for citizens.”

The nearly 20-year veteran of the department started his career as a firefighter/EMT. He’s been a Public Information Officer for the past four years and was most recently named Administrative Assistant to the Fire Chief in 2021. Reese is also a certified law enforcement officer and is a reserve deputy with the Caddo Parish Sheriff’s Office.

“I’m invested in creating a safer community for all families living in this city,” said Chief Reese. “Shreveport has been my home since 1996 and it is where I’m raising my children. I’m dedicated to ensuring that the Shreveport Fire Department delivers quality services to those who are in need of our care. Developing a plan for this department that will best serve future generations is what I plan to do in my new role as fire chief.”

Chief Reese is a member of the International Association of Fire Chiefs/Firefighters, Government Finance Officers Association, and National Informational Officers Association.

Mayor Perkins and Chief Reese will take questions from the media at a press conference at 1 p.m. on Tuesday, April 12 at Government Plaza.

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