



# Memorandum

**TO:** CITY COUNCIL

**FROM:** Mayor Sam Liccardo

**SUBJECT: ADOPTION OF STATEMENT OF  
POLICY AND QUESTIONS FOR THE  
PROSPECTIVE FIRE CHIEF**

**DATE:** June 4, 2018

Approved

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6/4/18

## RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a Statement of Policy and City Council Questions related to the selection of a prospective Fire Chief as described in the memorandum submitted by the City Manager on May 25, 2018, in compliance with City Charter Section 411.1, and include these additional questions:

- How would you address the serious problems arising from the disjointed nature of the fire inspections and building safety data, as demonstrated by the recent apartment fire at the Summerwind apartments?
- In what ways would you use technology to improve service delivery, given our scarce resources and limited staffing levels? If you are not yet sufficiently familiar with the San Jose Fire Department to be able to answer this question with precision, please inform us where you would first look to make improvements, and what technologies you believe have the greatest impacts on service improvements.
- What are 1, 2, or 3 things you would do to improve emergency medical response within existing staffing levels? If you are not yet sufficiently familiar with the San Jose Fire Department to be able to answer this question with precision, please inform us where you would first look to make improvements in a typical resource-constrained department.