

COUNCIL LETTER
City of Knoxville
April 20, 2020

Agenda Item: Swear in Joseph Wepler as police officer.

Background: The Police Department has one open position. After an evaluation process which included a background investigation Joseph Wepler was determined to be the best candidate for the position.

Joe is a Sheldon High School graduate with a bachelor's degree in criminal justice from Simpson College. Joe was a starter on Simpson's football team where he was a defensive captain. Joe is currently working on obtaining a master's degree.

Joe has been assigned to a Field Training Officer to begin his training. This on-the-job training typically lasts 14 weeks. Additionally, Joe will be sent to the Iowa Law Enforcement Academy to complete that 14-week program.

Policy Question: Should the Council accept Joseph Wepler in as a police officer?

Budget Impact: This is a budgeted expense.

Recommendation: The Police Chief recommends the hiring of Joseph Wepler.

Supporting Document: none