



## **Herbert Redden Named Interim Fire Chief**

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City Manager Rashad Young today announced that Herbert C. Redden II will assume the position of Interim Fire Director and Chief for the Dayton Fire Department. Redden is currently Assistant Chief of Emergency Services in the Department. The new assignment is effective Monday, May 5. His annual salary will be \$106,575.

Redden is assuming the interim position as a result of the previously announced retirement of Fire Chief Larry Collins. Young said a process to select a permanent replacement will begin over the next few months.

Redden was hired as an Assistant Chief for the Division of Emergency Services in the Dayton Fire Department on February 16, 2005. Over the past few years, he has been responsible for overseeing the general operations of the Fire Department, including all firefighters and EMS personnel.

Redden is a retired member of the Memphis, Tennessee Fire Department. He worked his way through the ranks of the Memphis Fire Department beginning in 1969. His positions included Lieutenant, Captain, Division Chief, Duty Chief, and Deputy Director of Fire Services. He retired from the Department on January 1, 2000.

“I am confident that the combination of experience Assistant Chief Redden has earned during his years as a top level administrator with the Memphis Fire Department as well as his proven ability to manage the operations of the Dayton Fire Department will enable him to serve the community well as Interim Fire Chief,” Young said.

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