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CITY OF LOS ALTOS POLICE CHIEF RESIGNS

Los Altos, Calif. — February 22, 2024 — After approximately one and a half years of service to the Los Altos police department, Chief of Police Angela Averiett has announced her resignation, effective mid-April. Chief Averiett has accepted the position of interim chief of police for the city of San Leandro and assumes her new responsibilities at the end of April.

"On behalf of the city of Los Altos, I thank Chief Angela Averiett for her dedicated service to our community," Mayor Jonathan Weinberg expressed. "The Chief led our police department with distinction, and was approachable and reached out to all segments of our community. I am gratified that she moves on from our City having helped to make it a better place. We will miss the Chief and wish Angela all the best."

During her tenure, Chief Averiett has been instrumental in implementing numerous initiatives, which included hosting the first Public Safety Open House, introducing and implementing the automated license plate reader (ALPR) program and policy, and significantly increasing the officer recruitment rate. Under her leadership, the department has also seen an overall boost in department morale.

"Chief Angela Averiett accomplished much of what she set out to do in Los Altos, including modernizing many of our police services and focusing on community-oriented policing," said City Manager Gabriel Engeland. "We will move forward quickly with our search for the next police chief so we can capture the positive momentum in the police department and build on her great work. I join the Mayor, City Council, and Los Altos community in wishing Chief Averiett well in her new position and thanking her for her exemplary service to our community."

The search for a new police chief will begin immediately to find a qualified and experienced candidate who can build on the department's successes and continue to improve public safety and community oriented policing in Los Altos.

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