

# CITY OF RENTON FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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## Mayor Pavone appoints VanValey interim CAO and Schuldt interim police chief

*Police Chief VanValey takes over as interim chief administrative officer; Schuldt has served as deputy chief since 2018. Appointments to take effect on Dec. 1.*

**RENTON, WA** – Renton Mayor Armondo Pavone has appointed Police Chief Ed VanValey as the city's interim Chief Administrative Officer and Deputy Chief of Police Jon Schuldt as interim police chief. Both appointments will take effect on Dec. 1, 2020.

"Ed has been with us for many years, successfully building strong relationships within the city, our community, and the region," said Mayor Pavone. "I am confident his leadership will serve us well as we move forward."

"I'm also very pleased to have someone of Jon's experience and leadership to take over as police chief. Our department has a well-earned reputation for its dedication, professionalism, and respect when dealing with our community. These ideals will continue under Jon's leadership."

VanValey is a native of Renton, a graduate of Lindbergh High School and a member of the Renton Police Department since 1998. He was promoted to sergeant in 2008, commander in 2012, deputy chief in 2013, and sworn in as chief on Oct. 3, 2018. He is a graduate of Central Washington University with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Law and Justice.



*Ed VanValey*



*Jon Schuldt*

The chief administrative officer reports to the mayor and serves as a liaison between the administration and city council. His administrative duties involve directing, coordinating and facilitating city projects, programs and policies, and reviewing and making recommendations on complex personnel and performance issues, policy interpretations and resource allocation.

Schuldt is a native of Aberdeen and graduated from the University of Washington with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Sociology. He joined Renton Police Department as a patrol officer in 1995 and joined the K-9 Unit in 1999. In 2006 he earned a promotion to sergeant in the patrol division. In 2011 he was assigned to supervise the special enforcement team. Schuldt earned a promotion to Commander of the North Sector in 2014 and to deputy chief in January 2018.

**About the City of Renton**

*The City of Renton, Washington, with a population of 105,500 (2020), is located on the southeast shore of Lake Washington, just south of Seattle. Renton's strong economic base, diverse marketplace and favorable business climate have attracted nationally recognized companies that wish to provide employees and their families an outstanding quality of life. Renton is the home of Boeing, PACCAR, IKEA, the Seattle Seahawks, and the eternal resting place of Jimi Hendrix. More information is on our [website](#), [news releases](#), or [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), and [Nextdoor](#).*

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