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## JOSEPH GOMEZ APPOINTED SELMA POLICE CHIEF

Selma City Manager Teresa Gallavan has announced the appointment of Joseph Gomez as the new Police Chief. Chief Gomez was selected for his almost 33 years of experience with the Fresno Police Department, including nearly 12 years as a Lieutenant. In particular, his experience as commander overseeing the Violent Crime Impact Team and Special Units Bureau gang eradication teams, including teams that were a part of MAGEC (Multi-Agency Gang Enforcement Consortium), and his experience as the Public Information Officer for the Chief of Police, will make Chief Gomez a valuable leader for the Selma Police Department.

Chief Gomez is also an instructor at the State Center Regional Training Facility Police Academy, a graduate of California State University, Fresno, where he received his Bachelor of Arts degree in Public Administration, and a graduate from POST Command College.

In announcing Gomez's appointment, Teresa Gallavan said, "Joe is an experienced, energetic and dedicated leader with a love of law enforcement and desire to serve to the City of Selma. He will be a tremendous asset to the department, the City and the community."

His start date is March 2, 2020. He will be sworn in at the Selma City Council Meeting on Monday, March 2, 2020 at 6:00pm. A community reception will be held at Selma City Hall on Thursday, March 5, 2020 from 5:00pm to 7:00pm. Please contact Teresa Gallavan, at 559-891-2200 or [TeresaG@cityofselma.com](mailto:TeresaG@cityofselma.com), with any questions. Thank you.

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