



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

MEETING DATE: May 3st, 2021
TO: City Council Members
FROM: Turu VanderWiel, Chief of Police
SUBJECT: Introduction of Police Community Service Officer

RECOMMENDATION

Introduction and Swearing in of Police Community Service Officer Joelyne Lemas.

DISCUSSION

Joelyne Lemas tested for this position in August of last year and has completed all pre-employment screening required of this position. She was hired on March 25, 2021, and has been receiving hands-on field training in the various aspects of the job.

Ms. Lemas was born in Fremont, California, and was raised in Modesto. She moved to Tuolumne County with her fiancé in 2013, and she married her husband in 2014. The couple welcomed their son in 2017, who is a 6th generation Tuolumne County Resident. She has visited the motherlode throughout her life and has many fond memories of the area, including summer camping with her father around Pinecrest Lake.

Ms. Lemas worked as a caregiver for the elderly for over six years at various assisted living facilities. She describes this line of work as an honor and has found it to be most rewarding. She also has a fondness for animals and had the opportunity to cultivate her passion for animals while working as a Veterinary Assistant for a local veterinarian hospital.

Ms. Lemas enjoys outdoor activities such as fishing, camping, and hiking with her husband and son. She also devotes her time off to nature photography, painting, and sketching but still makes time for quality time at home with her family.

Ms. Lemas has always looked for ways to better herself and her community and is willing to help out in any way she can, and she shared that the Community Service Position is a way for her to do just that. She looks forward to learning everything the position has to offer and hopes that her up-beat, positive and friendly attitude will serve her well in this capacity.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact to the General Fund as this position was previously funded.