TO: City Council

FROM: Carlos Quiles, Chief of Police

DATE: November 17, 2026

SUBJECT: Promotion of Lieutenant Ken Driver to Deputy Chief; Promotion of Officer Tyler Boling to Sergeant

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1) Recommended Action:

No Action

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2) Background:

November 17, 2026, the Tumwater Police Department will recognize the promotion of several members of the department. Those being recognized are:

- Ken Driver – Promoted to Deputy Police Chief September 16, 2026
- Tyler Boling – Promoted to Sergeant June 30th, 2026

Biography – Sergeant Tyler Boling

Tyler Boling is a 19-year veteran of the Tumwater Police Department. Prior to joining the department, Tyler served with the Los Angeles Police Department.

Throughout his law enforcement career, Tyler first served as a reserve officer before transitioning into full-time policing. He also served as a School Resource Officer (SRO) for approximately eight years. During his tenure as an SRO, Tyler fostered and strengthened the partnership between the Tumwater Police Department and the Tumwater School District. Through his dedication and community engagement, he established meaningful and lasting relationships with students, staff, and families throughout the community.

It is a great honor to recognize and present our newest Police Sergeant, Tyler Boling.

Biography – Deputy Police Chief Ken Driver

Ken Driver has more than 18 years of service with the Tumwater Police Department and over 20 years of law enforcement experience overall. He began his policing career with the Shelton Police Department, where he served the community for two years before joining the Tumwater Police Department.

Ken was hired by the Tumwater Police Department in 2008 and was promoted to Sergeant in 2016. After serving five years as a Sergeant, he was promoted to Lieutenant in 2021. In that role, he continued to provide exceptional service and leadership to both the department and the community.

During his distinguished career, Ken has served in numerous leadership, training, and specialty assignments, including:

- Force Science De-Escalation Instructor
- Field Training Officer and Supervisor
- Patrol Tactics Instructor
- Control, Arrest, and Defensive Tactics Instructor
- Emergency Vehicle Operations Instructor
- SWAT Team Leader

On January 16, 2026, Ken was appointed Acting Deputy Police Chief. Following a successful period in that role, he was permanently promoted to Deputy Police Chief on September 16, 2026.

The Tumwater Police Department is proud to recognize Deputy Police Chief Ken Driver for his outstanding service, leadership, and commitment to the community.

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3) Policy Support:

Mission, Vision & Values
People – We embrace the diversity of people in our community and strive to ensure everyone feels valued and included. We recognize the vital contributions of our staff and foster a supportive environment that promotes growth, celebrates achievements, and retains talent to serve our community with excellence.

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4) Alternatives:

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5) Fiscal Notes:

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6) Attachments:

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