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Prosper Fire Chief Stuart Blasingame Rescinds Resignation

PROSPER (September 13, 2021) Prosper Town Manager Harlan Jefferson announced today that Prosper Fire Chief Stuart Blasingame has rescinded his resignation from the Town of Prosper.

Wednesday, September 8, Prosper Fire Chief Stuart Blasingame submitted his resignation after 19 years of service to the Town. After meeting with Town Manager Harlan Jefferson earlier today, Chief Blasingame chose to rescind the announcement of his departure and continue to serve as the Town's Fire Chief.

In a statement made by Chief Blasingame, "This morning I had a very productive meeting with our Town Manager, Mr. Harlan Jefferson. After much thought and prayer, I have gladly made the decision to rescind my resignation and remain as the Fire Chief with the Town of Prosper. I love this Town, its residents, its employees, and serving the amazing members of Prosper Fire Rescue. Our Mayor and Town Council have always been extremely supportive and work incredibly hard for the betterment of this Town and for everyone that lives, works, or visits our amazing community. I have extreme confidence and I am excited in the direction our Town is headed. I look forward to serving this community for many years to come as your very proud Fire Chief."

"Chief Blasingame is a beloved and well-respected member of the Town's Executive Team and the community," said Town Manager Harlan Jefferson. "We are glad he has made the decision to stay with us and to continue to serve and lead as our Fire Chief here in Prosper."

The Town Council has continued its commitment to provide critical public safety resources by accelerating the design, construction, staffing and equipment purchases for Fire Stations 3 and 4 over the next two years. Prosper Fire Rescue is also expected to add approximately 38 staff positions over the next three years to keep up with the growing needs of the Town. Chief Blasingame has proven himself to be an effective leader in a fast-growth environment, and he will continue to play a pivotal role during this exciting time as the Town continues to grow.

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ABOUT THE TOWN OF PROSPER – The Town of Prosper is a fast-growing suburb with small town charm, located 30 miles north of Dallas at the crossroads of U.S. 380, Preston Road and the Dallas North Tollway in Collin and Denton Counties. Prosper sits on 27 square miles and is home to more than 31,000 people. A home-rule municipality, governed by a council-manager form of government, the town has full-time fire and police departments, including its own dispatch service. As the Town grows to its projected build-out population of 70,000 residents, Prosper's vision is to remain a "Place Where Everyone Matters."