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## **St. Andrews Fire Department Welcomes New Deputy Fire Chief**

**Charleston, SC (January 11, 2017)** – St. Andrews Fire Department (SAFD), a division of St. Andrews Public Service District (SAPSD), welcomes Doug Montgomery as the new Deputy Chief of Training & Special Operations.

Montgomery served as Captain for SAFD since 2015, and prior to that he was a Firefighter/Paramedic for the City of West Covina Fire Department in CA, where he started in 1989. As a firefighter/Paramedic, Montgomery has vast experience and knowledge in both the fire and medical side of the industry. In 1992, he was lauded with the Life Saving Award and the Merit of Service Award, and in 1996 and in 2004 he received the Paramedic of the Year Award.

“I believe that Doug’s experience in the both the fire and emergency medical services (EMS) will bring balance to our training and special operations divisions,” said SAFD Fire Chief Charles Lamoreaux, “His experience combined with his calm and collected demeanor will round out our senior leadership team.”

Montgomery, who is eager for his new role within the department stated, “I am proud and honored to work in a progressive and talented organization as SAFD. I am excited for what is ahead and look forward to working with the crews to better meet the goals of the organization.”

The Deputy Chief of Training & Special Operations is responsible for overseeing the department’s EMS program, fire & EMS training, physical fitness, professional development, and serving as a member of the senior leadership team of SAFD. The position was previously held by Chief Lamoreaux before he promoted to Fire Chief in September 2016.

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St. Andrews Fire Department, a 60 personnel career department, provides fire, rescue, and first responder services to the unincorporated area of West Ashley in Charleston County, South Carolina. Through a commitment of automatic aid, they assist the fire departments of North Charleston, St. John’s, James Island and City of Charleston in meeting their missions on a daily basis. The operational staff is divided into a ladder company, rescue company, three engine companies, and a quick response vehicle (QRV) operating out of four fire stations. Each company is staffed with a minimum of three members on a daily basis under the direction of a Battalion Chief.