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Paso Robles Hires Interim Battalion Chief
Past experience includes Culver City, Warner Brothers Studios

PASO ROBLES, CA – The City of Paso Robles recently hired Richard Gallagher as interim Battalion Chief to help lead the Emergency Services Department.

Gallagher was born and raised in West Los Angeles attending Santa Monica College and California State University, Long Beach; earning an Associates of Art degree from Santa Monica and a Bachelor degree from Long Beach State. Chief Gallagher is a certified Chief Officer, Fire Marshal, Incident Commander and a licensed general building contractor.

Chief Gallagher served thirty-one years with the Culver City Fire Department retiring as the City's fire marshal to assume the fire chief's position with Warner Bros. Studios in Burbank, California, one of the largest film studios in the U.S.

Chief Gallagher's experience provides a solid background of leadership and upper management experience in fire, emergency services, with city staff and elected officials. He believes his unique mix of experiences has afforded him the opportunity to acquire a rare set of skills to work with and better understand the competing challenges that corporate and community leaders face, balancing business needs with the required standards and procedural requirements of a full service fire department.

"I'm honored to be working with Paso Robles Fire Department and city staff if even for a short while," said Gallagher. "I'm looking forward to finding opportunities to improve the delivery system that provides value to the community."

Richard is from Hermosa Beach, he and his wife Debra are looking forward to their son's upcoming wedding on Maui in October.

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