



Gray Picked To Replace Bunting

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Hampton's Fire Chief James A. Gray has been appointed as an assistant city manager on an interim basis to fill the position left vacant by Mary Bunting.

Bunting stepped into the role of city manager at the start of the month. She appointed Gray to fill her former post of assistant city manager responsible for public safety and human services.

"Jimmy is a man of many extraordinary talents and I feel he is the right person to step in to help lead these critical areas until such time as we complete the budget process and I am able to make a full and complete assessment of the needs of this office," Bunting wrote in a briefing to staff.

Emergency Management Coordinator Tracy Hanger has been appointed as the city's acting fire chief.

Bunting also announced the departure of Elizabeth Kersey, the city's intergovernmental relations director, who left for a new job at Old Dominion University.